

Treasurer's Report

The Forest History Society continues its mission to provide valuable services and information for maintaining our forest heritage with professional dedication and attention. The Board and employees of the Society have worked hard to maintain the accomplishment of our mission in the midst of significant challenges in the financial markets during fiscal year 2008–2009.

Net assets at June 30, 2009, decreased to \$6,305,400 from \$8,584,517 at the previous year end. This was a decrease of \$2,279,117, generally attributable to a decrease in the value of investments which have been affected by general market decreases during the period. During this fiscal year, the Board's investment strategy was established at 70 percent equities and 30 percent fixed income and real estate investments. Cash and cash equivalents decreased approximately \$37,000 from the prior year. The Board maintained the reduced percentage withdrawal from endowment at 5.00 percent (subsequently reduced to 3.75% for the



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FY ending June 30, 2010). The Society's investment advisor is Bernstein Global Wealth Management.

For the year ended June 30, 2009, the auditors, Boyce, Furr & Company, LLP, expressed an unqualified opinion on the financial statements in which they stated present fairly the financial position of the Society in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These complete financial statements, along with our federal Form 990, are available for review in the offices of the Forest History Society by appointment during normal business hours.

Since its year end, the Society's financial footing has improved (as a result of the improving financial markets), it is debt free, and owns its own facilities. There is a growing membership and donor base. Our success thus far with the annual fund and the endowment expansions have allowed us to weather a significant global financial storm while maintaining our core missions with due attention to emerging priorities. We are prepared for a future of continuing service. □

FOREST HISTORY SOCIETY, INC.

Statement of Financial Position • June 30, 2009 (with comparative totals from 2008)

Assets	June 30, 2009	June 30, 2008
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 347,770	\$ 384,529
Accounts receivable	18,361	20,241
Pledges receivable	69,641	169,275
Inventory	23,476	27,400
Prepaid expense and deposits	27,511	21,821
Total current assets	486,759	623,266
INVESTMENTS	5,628,999	7,692,805
PLEDGES RECEIVABLE DUE AFTER ONE YEAR	27,491	86,968
LAND, BUILDING & EQUIPMENT, NET OF DEPRECIATION	162,151	181,478
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 6,305,400	\$ 8,584,517
Liabilities & Net Assets		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	\$ 13,694	\$ 17,114
Accrued expense and withholding	38,558	43,154
Total current liabilities	52,252	60,268
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted		
Undesignated	189,610	263,226
Designated—operations	169,868	196,911
Endowment earnings (losses)	(505,810)	
Building and equipment	166,998	181,478
Total unrestricted	20,666	641,615
Temporarily restricted		
Operations	130,878	76,950
Endowment earnings		1,719,427
Total temporarily restricted	130,878	1,796,377
Permanently restricted—endowment	6,101,604	6,086,257
Total net assets	6,253,148	8,524,249
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$ 6,305,400	\$ 8,584,517