

## Expanding Internet Access

Since 1946, one of the Forest History Society's primary goals has been to create a comprehensive bibliography and archival guide of forest and conservation history. In 1977 the bibliography and guide were published as *North American Forest and Conservation History: A Bibliography*, by Ronald J. Fahl, and *North American Forest History: A Guide to Archives and Manuscripts in the United States and Canada*, by Richard C. Davis.

Since the early 1980s FHS staff members have maintained this information on computer at the Durham headquarters and have performed free searches for researchers worldwide. Also, the "biblioscope" section of *Forest & Conservation History* highlighted the newest entries in the databank, and this section will appear in the new journal, *Environmental History*.

The scope of biblioscope coverage has expanded over time to include most aspects of land use history, with subjects such as water, soil, forage, fish and wildlife, recreation, and scenic values. In recent years more items appear that focus on topics such as women and the environment and environmental ethics. To be included in the databank a piece must be a work of history, rather than a work that is only of interest to historians. Without such a restriction, the databank would have virtually no limits and would grow too large for us to manage. Despite this stipulation, one staff person spends approximately half her time scanning journals, books, dissertations, government documents, and newsletters for appropriate materials. The databank has always benefited from member contributions, and we welcome information on or copies of relevant publications.

The bibliographic portion of the databank now contains around twenty thousand entries and can be searched via the Internet (there are future plans to add

Internet access to the archival guide). The bibliography is housed on the Duke University Libraries Gopher and can be reached by pointing your gopher at:

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Then follow the menus:

- Other Duke Resources
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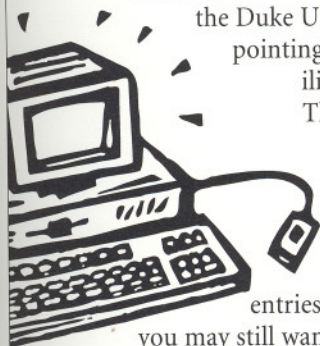
Be aware that the current WAIS search software returns only forty hits per search and although the entries are weighted for relevance, for a thorough search

you may still want to contact the library staff at Durham headquarters.

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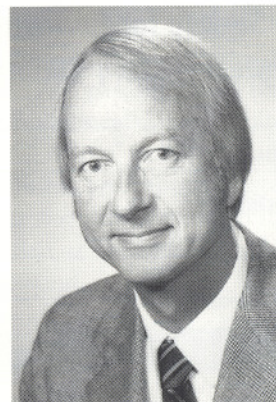
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## Steen Recognized for Distinguished Service

During a presentation ceremony at the Seventh Urban Forestry Conference in New York City, FHS



Executive Director Pete Steen received the American Forests 1995 Distinguished Service Award. The plaque reads, "For distinguished service to conservation of America's natural resources."

In addition to his long tenure at the Forest History Society, Steen has been active in the history programs of the Society of American Foresters, the International Union of Forestry Research Organizations, and the Sierra Club. He has served on editorial boards for *Environmental History Review* and the *Journal of Environmental Education*, as well as on the boards of directors for the Cradle of Forestry in America and the National Forest Service Museum. Too, he has been active in many history and forestry organizations and holds faculty appointments at Duke University and North Carolina State University. His personal scholarship has focussed on the history of public lands and the agencies that manage them.▲

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