

Members in the News

Appointments, Elections, and Retirements

Noranda Forest Inc. recently elected **David Kerr** as chairman and chief executive officer and **Courtney Pratt** as president.

Jack T. Kirby, a history professor at Miami University, is the new president of the Agricultural History Society.

Billings Farm & Museum director **David Donath** has been appointed executive director of the new Woodstock Foundation, Inc.

Mike Moore retired from his position as deputy director for resource management with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

John Dargavel retired from the Australian National University to work at The Australia Institute in Canberra. Dargavel published his *Fashioning Australia's Forests* in August 1995.

FHS President **Eugene S. Robbins** founded The Charlotte Group, a consulting firm that provides services to forest industry professionals. Robbins oversees the group's strategic planning, marketing, and timber oversight programs.

Awards, Honors, and Fellowships

Elisabeth Johann of Vienna, Austria, has been elected chair of the International Union of Forestry Research Organizations Forest History Group. **Mauro Agnoletti** of Florence, Italy, was elected to head the History of Timber Trade Working Party, and **Ajay Rawat** of Naini Tal, India, was chosen to head the Tropical Forest History Working Party.

FHS Board member **Richard H. White**, a professor of history at the University of Washington, recently received a MacArthur Foundation "genius" award.

American Forests awarded FHS Board member **Susan L. Flader** with its 1995 John Aston Warder medal for service to American Forests.

The Forest Farmer Association recently named **Eley C. Frazer III** as forest farmer of the year.

The New England Society of American Foresters honored as distinguished forester **John E. Hibbard**, of Rockall, Connecticut. In addition, American Forests recognized Hibbard with its 1995 William B. Greeley Award for his contributions to forest conservation.

Peter J. Murphy has been named emeritus professor at the University of Alberta, following his retirement from the Faculty of Forestry.

The American Forest and Paper Association presented **Westvaco Corporation** with its Wildlife Stewardship and Environmental Achievement awards for 1994.

David Sonnenfeld, a sociology doctoral candidate at the University of California, Santa Cruz, was named the Switzer Fellow for 1995-96. Sonnenfeld will apply the award toward the completion of his dissertation "A Social History of Innovation in Environmental Technology in the Pulp and Paper Industries of Australia, Indonesia, Malaysia, and Thailand."

Stephen J. Pyne received the 1995 Los Angeles *Times*' Robert Kirsch Award for lifetime literary achievement by someone who lives in or writes about the West.

Jan G. Laarman, a professor of forestry at North Carolina State University, received the 1995 Jackson Rigney International Service Award, which recognizes outstanding contributions to the university and global community through teaching, research, and public service.

Historian **Charles E. Twining** was one of ten Washington-state authors who received a 1995 Governor's Writers Award. Twining's award was for the book he wrote while he was a FHS research associate, *George S. Long: Timber Statesman*. ▲

In Memoriam

John "Jack" B. Veach Sr. died 15 June 1995 in Asheville, North Carolina, at age 95. Known nationally for his work in the wood products industries of western North Carolina, Veach and his son, John B. Veach Jr., recently donated company records to the FHS archives.

Victor "Vic" Stanley Roth died 31 March 1995, in Oakland, California, at age 83. Roth founded Oakland's Triangle Lumber Company in 1946.

Norton Clapp died 22 April 1995, in Seattle, Washington, at age 89. Clapp was a former president and chairman of the board of Weyerhaeuser Company in Tacoma, Washington.

Martha Ellis Leland died 15 May 1995. Leland and her husband, John D. Leland, were longtime FHS supporters.

Catherine H. Sweeney, another longtime FHS supporter, died in July 1995, in Fort Collins, Florida.

John Carow died in July at age 81. During his career in forestry, he worked for the American Paper and Pulp Association, the USDA Forest Service, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and in the University of Michigan's School of Natural Resources.

Gil Murray, director of the California Forestry Association, was killed on 24 April 1995 by a package bomb.

George R. Staebler died 21 June 1995, in Centralia, Washington, at age 78. He contributed a chapter on the history of industrial forest sciences to a forthcoming FHS book on the history of forest science. ▲