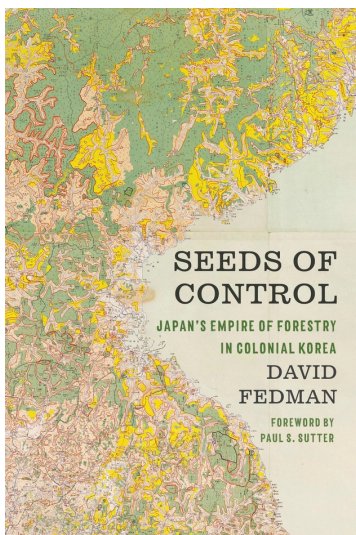




## And the award for best book in forest and conservation history goes to...

The Charles A. Weyerhaeuser Book Award rewards superior scholarship in forest and conservation history. This award goes to an author who has exhibited fresh insight into a topic and whose narrative analysis is clear, inventive, and thought-provoking.

The 2021 award has been given to David Fedman for *[Seeds of Control: Japan's Empire of Forestry in Colonial Korea](#)*. The book, published by the University of Washington Press, explores Japanese imperialism through the lens of forest conservation in colonial Korea—a project of environmental rule that outlived the empire itself. Fedman is an assistant professor of history at the University of California, Irvine.



Japanese colonial rule in Korea, (1905 to 1945), ushered in natural resource management programs that profoundly altered access to and ownership of the peninsula's extensive mountains and forests. Under the banner of “forest love,” the colonial government set out to restructure the rhythms and routines of agrarian life, targeting everything from home heating to food preparation. Timber industrialists, meanwhile, channeled Korea's forest resources into supply chains that grew in tandem with Japan's imperial sphere. These mechanisms of resource control were only fortified after 1937, when the peninsula and its forests were mobilized for war. The

impact lasted well past the ouster of the Japanese from Korea.

FHS would like to thank this year's judges for contributing their time: last year's Weyerhaeuser co-winners Andrea Duffy and Kimberly Smith, and Mark Barringer.

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## Lynn W. Day Distinguished Lectureship in Forest and Conservation History

### "Giving Character to the Landscape: An Environmental History of the American Chestnut" Presented by Donald E. David

Dr. Donald E. Davis will present the 2021 [Lynn W. Day Distinguished Lectureship in Forest and Conservation History](#). His talk, "Giving Character to the Landscape: An Environmental History of the American Chestnut," will offer a fresh look at the iconic North American tree species. The presentation will be on Nov. 3 at 1 pm EDT over Zoom. **This event is approved for one hour of CFE credit (Category 1) from the Society of American Foresters.**



Before 1910, the American chestnut was one of the most common trees in the eastern United States. Historical evidence suggests the natural distribution of the American chestnut extended across more than 400,000 square miles of territory, an area stretching from eastern Maine to southeast Louisiana. Some of the tree's history dates to the very founding of our country, making the story of the American chestnut an integral part of American environmental and cultural history. Ironically, the tree that most piqued the emotions of nineteenth- and early twentieth-century Americans has virtually disappeared after a blight fungus was introduced during the late nineteenth century, which rendered the tree "functionally extinct." Although its eradication caused one of the greatest ecological catastrophes since the last ice age, considerable folklore and sentiment about the American chestnut remains. Over the last several decades, considerable effort has been expended to try to restore this iconic species to the forest, though not without controversy. Dr. Davis will explore all this and more in his talk.

Visit [our website](#) for more info and to register for this free event. You must be registered to participate in the Q&A session.

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**"Commercialization**

# Unlocking the Bioeconomy for Nontimber Forest Products



## of Baobab Fruit Products" with Dr. Katie Meinhold

Nov. 18, 2021 at  
8:30-9:30 a.m. EDT  
1330-1430 UTC

Dr. Katie Meinhold will give the next presentation in the ["Unlocking the Bioeconomy for Nontimber Forest Products"](#) webinar series. The presentation will be given over Zoom on Nov. 18. **This event is approved for one hour of CFE credit (Category 1) from the Society of American Foresters.**



Wild forest food resources are becoming popular, and products are increasingly entering modern food supply chains. Fruit from the baobab tree offers an excellent case study in the transformation of how a food once associated with the poor has become popular in wealthy countries because of its health benefits. This transformation has had consequences not only on resource demand, but also on its supply chain organization and product quality. To facilitate the jump into international markets, various innovations as well as a variety of actors and institutions in the global South and the global North were necessary, focusing both on the production side to achieve the high-quality standards demanded as well as on the consumption side to make baobab popular amongst new consumers.

Visit [our website](#) for more info and to register for this free event. This webinar series is hosted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service, the Forest History Society, Renmin University of China, and the IUFRO, Non Timber Forest Products and Bioeconomy Task Force.

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## FHS Welcomes New Board Members!



**Rebecca Barnard, Manager of Forest Certification, Sappi NA** (Wisconsin). In January 2018, Rebecca Barnard was named Manager – Forest Certification, bringing 15 years of forest management experience to improve the control environment around product claims and advance forest policy objectives. In addition to her



**Dana Chandler, Owner of Family Tree Forestry, LLC** (Sumter, SC). Dana started her career as a Skidder Operator for D&L Logging in 2012. Since 2019 she is owner of Family Tree Forestry. She is also owner of the publishing company Forestry in Bloome, and is the author of *The Little Foresters Adventures* series,

role with Sappi, Rebecca also serves on the Society of American Foresters (SAF) National Policy Committee.



**Suzanne Cuthbert, Vice President, Strategy & Technology, Weyerhaeuser** (Seattle, WA). Suzanne is the Vice President Timberlands Strategy & Technology at Weyerhaeuser. Suzanne has 34 years of forest industry experience, starting in manufacturing and including 20 years of those with Weyerhaeuser. In 2015, she assumed responsibility for Timberlands strategic planning and forestry research and was named vice president in early 2017.

which strives to provide educational literature for children and adults to foster a better understanding of forestry and the logging force.



**Brent Keefer, CEO, American Forest Management** (Charlotte, NC). Brent has been the CEO of American Forest Management, Inc. (AFM) since 2020. Brent brings over 30 years of experience to the position, where he is responsible for leading the AFM organization, which includes 50 offices throughout 9 regions and over 290 employees. He serves on the board of directors for both the Sustainable Forestry Initiative and for the National Alliance of Forest Owners.



**Peter Mertz, Founder, Global Forest Partners LP** (NH and TX). Peter cofounded Global Forest Partners LP in 2003 and prior to his retirement served as the firm's CEO and Chief Investment Officer. He



**Donald A. Motanic, Technical Specialist, Intertribal Timber Council** (Portland, OR). Don has served as the Technical Specialist for the Intertribal Timber Council since 1995. Previous to joining the ITC, he

continues to serve as Board Chair of five private equity timber funds. He is a Certified Forester and a member of the Society of American Foresters since 1974. He also has served as a member of the National Advisory Board for the Michigan Congenital Heart Center, and as a trustee and member of the Investment Committee for the Montshire Museum of Science in Norwich, Vermont.

worked for 17 years with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, including as Forest Engineer for the Yakima Agency; Forest Manager for the Umatilla Agency; Forest Manager for the Spokane Agency; and Regional Forester for the Northern Rockies Region. He was the first tribal representative on the National Wildfire Coordinating Group.

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## COVID-19 Update

FHS continues to follow North Carolina's recommended safety guidelines relating to COVID-19, and those for Durham County, where the headquarters is located. If you wish to visit us, please make an appointment first. Feel free to call us at 919-682-9319 to learn more. As always, if you have a research question, you can [email](#) the library staff.

