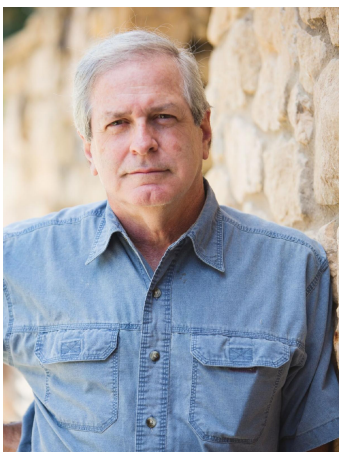




Forest Timeline Newsletter

October 2022

Join us for the Lynn Day Lectureship Nov. 15



Conservation and Community: Beyond the Public-Private Binary in the History of Land Conservation

with Curt Meine

Nov. 15, 2022

2-3 pm ET on Zoom

Join us on Nov. 15 for the 2022 Lynn W. Day Lectureship in Forest and Conservation History. This year's presenter is conservation biologist, environmental historian, and writer Curt Meine. This talk has been approved for 1.0 hours of CFE credit from the Society of American Foresters.

For more than a century, conservationists have pursued their goals through various mechanisms that recognized shared interests in the land and ecological relationships that worked across legal and jurisdictional boundaries. While they have fitfully come to understand that a wider variety of people, uses, and perspectives must be considered, progress has been constrained by a mindset that reinforces a simple division of interests: private and public. Moving from this simple binary framing to a more flexible and nuanced view may allow conservationists to embrace a wider array of community-based approaches to conserving the public interest in private land. It may also allow historians to find new insights in the evolution of conservation science, policy, and ideas. Conservation biologist and environmental historian Curt Meine will discuss this reframing and the many new opportunities it presents.

Curt serves as Senior Fellow with the Aldo Leopold Foundation and the Center for Humans and Nature. He has authored and edited several books, including the biography *Aldo Leopold: His Life and Work* (1988/2010) and *The Driftless Reader* (2017).

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"Finding Their Roots" Webinar

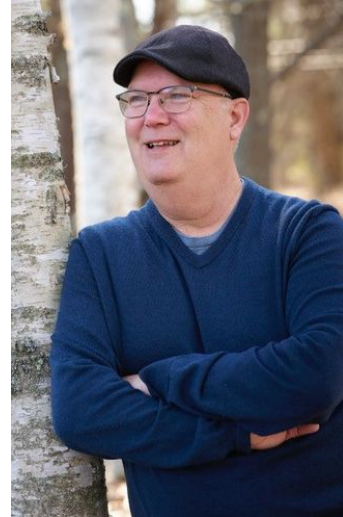
Finding Their Roots: Exploring the Childhood Landscapes of Our Conservation Giants with Jeffrey Ryan

Dec. 1, 2022

1-2 pm ET on Zoom

What led people like Aldo Leopold, Benton MacKaye, Ernest Oberholtzer, and Howard Zahniser to become advocates for our parks, forests, and wilderness areas? While researching his latest book, [*This Land Was Saved for You and Me: How Gifford Pinchot, Frederick Law Olmsted, and a*](#)

Band of Foresters Rescued America's Public Lands, author Jeffrey Ryan visited the birthplaces and other critical landscapes of these and other early conservationists to better understand how “nature” shaped their lives and careers. Ryan will share images from his travels as well as quotes from the subjects themselves about how their early connections with nature helped set them on the path to becoming fervent defenders of our parks, forests, and wilderness areas. This talk has been approved for 1.0 hours of CFE credit from the Society of American Foresters.



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Scholars Visit from Humanities Center



FHS Board member Matthew Booker, who is Vice President for Scholarly Programs at the nearby National Humanities Center, brought five Fellows to tour FHS and meet the library staff. FHS archivist Eben Lehman and FHS historian Jamie Lewis (on the right) gave them a tour and shared what resources may be of use to them. Pictured with them are (left to right) Tom Lekan, Julie Tolliver, Kiu-wai Chu, Cedric Tolliver, and Molly Todd.

Julie is writing about fire cultures in Canada and the United States as depicted in cinema and literature, and Tom is an environmental historian investigating competing ideas of grazing in African national parks. Molly works on Central American refugee history, and Kiu-Wai is working on Chinese concepts of environment. Julie returned a few days later to further discuss her project with archivist Eben Lehman and historian Jamie Lewis.

Barclay, Kelly and Phares Receive FHS Fellow Award

It is with great pleasure that the FHS Board of Directors unanimously approved giving FHS's highest award, Fellow of the Forest History Society, to L. Michael Kelly, Ned Phares and Henry Barclay. The announcement was made at the recent FHS board meeting during the 75th Anniversary reception, hosted by Weyerhaeuser Co., at their headquarters in Seattle. As a small token of our appreciation, they were given a personally inscribed, wooden hour glass to commemorate the invaluable time and leadership they have generously given to FHS. The Forest History Society bestows the title of "[Fellow of the Forest History Society](#)" on persons who have provided many years of outstanding leadership and service to the Society or many years of outstanding sustained contributions to the research, writing, or teaching of forest, conservation, or environmental history. Our thanks to Henry, Michael and Ned for all their years of support, time, and energy.

Henry Barclay joined the Forest History Society in 2004 when he was elected to the Board of Directors and to the office of Treasurer. During his 18 years of service overseeing the financial health of the organization, FHS has grown its endowment and has increased its annual fund contributions six-fold. As Chair of the Finance & Administrative Affairs Committee, Henry ensured that our endowment funds were appropriately invested and oversaw the evaluation of investment managers and development of investment policy guidelines. Currently, Henry I. Barclay III (AL) is the managing partner of Lehmann, Ullman and Barclay LLP.

Michael Kelly joined the Society in 2001 and was elected to the FHS Board in 2007. He served on the Development Committee, Nominating Committee, and Finance & Administrative Affairs Committee. From 2010 to 2013 he served as Chair of the Board and then as Immediate Past-Chair through 2015. Michael took a leadership role in planning and securing funds for the Society's new library, archives, and headquarters. Currently, Kelly is Chairman of the Board of Directors at Forest Investment Associates in Atlanta.

Ned Phares joined the Society in 2000. He was elected to the FHS Board in 2009 and served on the Program Committee, F.K. Weyerhaeuser Fellowship Committee, Nominating Committee and the Development Committee. With Michael Kelly he was instrumental in the planning of the building campaign and securing donations. From 2014 to 2019 he Co-chaired the Campaign Gifts Committee and then the Campaign Cabinet along with Michael Kelly. Now retired, Ned was the Academic Advisor for the Criminal Justice Studies Program at the University of Georgia.

FHS President Steve Anderson presents Fellow awards to Henry Barclay (top) and Michael Kelly (middle) at our recent board meeting in Seattle (Oct 2022) At the bottom is photo of Ned Phares from the opening event of the FHS Headquarters in May 2019.





Filmmaker Franceschi Visits FHS



Cheryle Franceschi, a filmmaker with Por Eco Productions, recently visited FHS to look at still and moving images for a new project. Cheryle used FHS materials in the production of her film *Mr. Besley's Forest*, a documentary about Maryland's first state forester, Fred W. Besley. Cheryle also produced a short film shown at the recent Society of American Foresters convention. Her visit to FHS was for work on a new film project, "ForestHer," which looks at influential women in forestry and conservation.

Rosenberry Graduate Fellowship Awarded

The [Walter S. Rosenberry Graduate Fellowship](#) provides a stipend to support the doctoral research of a graduate student attending a university in North America whose research contributes to forest and conservation history.

Our 2022 winner is Sophie FitzMaurice, a PhD student from the University of California-Berkeley, to support her project entitled, "Wood and the Making of Modern Communications: Telegraph Infrastructure in the U.S. Empire, c. 1846-1910." Her dissertation argues that



wood provided the material foundations for the modern forms of communication that we usually associate with wire and electricity. These forms of communication all ultimately hinged on the ability of states or corporations to capture colossal amounts of wood and command cheap human and animal labor to move it. Telegraph construction transformed landscapes and disrupted animal habitats, even as insects, birds, and mammals disrupted telegraphic communication by interfering with poles. The story of modern communication is best understood not as a story of electricity but as a story of wood.

The award is named for Walter S. Rosenberry (1931-2005), a long-time supporter and Forest History Society Board member, who provided the Society's first endowment in support of its awards program.

California Lantern Slides Added to Database



Aerial view of the Blue Canyon Fire in August 1925 on the Santa Barbara National Forest. The forest's name was changed in 1936 to the Los Padres National Forest. (CL_1-204664)

The FHS archives recently received a donation of more than 125 glass lantern slides from California. The slides are hand painted in color and mostly depict scenes on the national forests of the Golden State, including ones of fire protection, fire suppression, logging, forest facilities, outdoor recreation, wildlife, and scenic views. National forests include the Tahoe, Lassen, Plumas, Sierra, Shasta, Mendocino, Sequoia, Eldorado, Stanislaus, Cleveland, Los Padres (Santa Barbara), and Trinity. About half of the slides have been digitized and can be found in our online database [here](#). You can learn more about the collection on our website [here](#).

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