FHS Historian Jamie Lewis Wins National SAF Award

The Forest History Society is proud to announce that Jamie Lewis, our historian for the last twenty years, will receive a national award from the Society of American Foresters at its upcoming convention in Sacramento. The W. D. Hagenstein Communicator Award "recognizes an SAF member who displays the ability, talent, and skill to lead innovative and exemplary communications initiatives and programs that increase the general public's understanding of forestry and natural resources at the local, regional, or national level," according to the SAF website. "Nominees must demonstrate success in one or more of the following communications initiatives: outreach to media; outreach to SAF members and other natural resource professionals; outreach to educators and youth groups; outreach to policymakers; and outreach to the general public."

Jamie would like to thank Adam Downing of Appalachian SAF for nominating him, and Char Miller, Pat Straka, and Scott Wallinger for their letters of support.

If you're attending SAF, be sure to come by the FHS exhibit booth to congratulate Jamie, meet the new FHS CEO & President, Tania Munz, PhD, or chat with staff Librarian, Lauren Bissonette about our collections. You can also catch Jamie after he participates as a panelist in the opening plenary session on Oct 25. Or attend the FHS Innovation Zone on Oct. 26 at 3 pm, where you can learn about preserving your historical records. Be sure to come to the awards ceremony on Oct. 27 at 1:15 to see him receive his award!

It's Nearly Time for the TIMOs Webinar!
Next time in the *Conversations in Forest History* webinar series, host Jamie Lewis will talk with Tracy Buran Evens about TIMOs. The webinar is October 11th at 1 pm ET. The presentation is approved for 1 hour of CFE credit.

The history of timberland investment management organizations (TIMOs) begins in the 1980s and can be divided into distinct eras representing significant changes. To understand how the TIMO industry has grown and invested capital over the past forty years, institutional investor objectives and preferences for committing capital must also be understood. Join Tracy Buran Evens for a history of these events and what we might expect in the future for timberland investing.

Tracy Buran Evens is a Principal of TimberLink LLC, an independent advisory firm strictly serving institutional investors. Tracy began her career in 1989 with a pioneer TIMO and has been advising investors with TimberLink for 20 years. Her experiences over the history of the industry offer a unique perspective into how and why capital has been invested.

“TIMOs: The History and Future of Timberland Investing”
*with Tracy Buran Evens*
Oct. 11, 2023
1 pm EDT (60 min.)
Register today!

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**FHS Book Award Goes to Mark Kuhlberg**

Mark Kuhlberg has won FHS’s *Charles A. Weyerhaeuser Book Award* for *Killing Bugs for Business and Beauty: Canada’s Aerial War against Forest Pests, 1913–1930*. The award honors scholars publishing noteworthy books in the fields of forest and conservation history.

Published by the University of Toronto Press, *Killing Bugs for Business and Beauty* examines the beginning of Canada’s aerial war against forest insects, which dates to the early 20th century, and how a tiny handful of officials came to lead the world with a made-in-Canada solution to the problem. According to the press, "The book highlights the shared impulses that often drove both the harvesters and the preservers of trees, and the acute dangers inherent in allowing emotional appeals instead of logic to drive environmental policy-making. It addresses both inter-governmental and intra-governmental relations, as well as pressure politics and lobbying. . . . *Killing Bugs for Business and Beauty* clearly demonstrates how class, region, and commercial interest intersected to determine the location and timing of aerial bombings."

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**Terry Baker to Give Lynn W. Day Lecture**
Terry Baker, CEO of the Society of American Foresters, will give this year’s Lynn W. Day Lecture in Forest and Conservation History on November 7 at the Forest History Society in Durham, NC. It will be streamed live over Zoom for those unable to attend in person. Look for registration information in October!

Sustaining healthy forests in the face of climate change will require new ways of thinking and collaborating between scientists, policymakers, and the public, says Terry. With unprecedented public and private investments in our forests to reduce wildfire risk and climate change mitigation, the need for opposing views on our forests must find alignment to make the most of this unique moment in our history. Terry will share insights and experiences focused on the dynamic intersections between people, policy, and climate when it comes to our nation’s forests and how they provide benefits to society.

Mount St. Helens Materials Received

The eruption of Mount St. Helens on May 18, 1980, was the deadliest and most economically destructive volcanic event in U.S. history. It also impacted forest ecology research and silvicultural practices. Quinn Murk, a longtime FHS member and a logging historian, recently donated two boxes of historical materials on Mount St. Helens and that cataclysmic event. (You can read more about Mount St. Helens on our blog HERE and in a review essay by FHS historian Jamie Lewis HERE.)

The donated materials include twelve scrapbooks of Mount St. Helens newspaper article clippings, beginning prior to eruption in early 1980 and ending in early 1981. The articles provide an exhaustive contemporary account of the volcano’s eruption, destruction, devastating impacts, and ongoing recovery efforts. Another box includes other print publications covering the 1980 eruption, including various magazines and pamphlets. The donated materials provide expanded coverage of Mount St. Helens within the FHS archival collections. Related materials on the recovery and reforestation of the area throughout the 1980s can also be found in the Weyerhaeuser Records. Thanks again to Quinn Murk for this donation!

FHS Board Meeting in Boston
The Forest History Society will hold its Fall 2023 Board of Director's meeting in Boston on Saturday, Oct. 21. The meeting will be at the Manulife Headquarters from 8:30-3:30. All members are welcome to attend! Please contact Andrea Anderson at FHS if you want more information. You can reach her by email or by phone at (919) 682-9319. We hope to see you in Boston!