



The Forest Timeline



President & CEO, Tania Munz, and staff Archivist, Eben Lehman in the
Carl A. Weyerhaeuser Library at the FHS headquarters.

President's Message

Greetings, Friends of FHS!

As summer approaches, we're wrapping up another productive year at the Forest History Society. We've hosted our first Yale Forest Forum series with the Yale School of the Environment and continued our *Conversations in Forest History* series. We've welcomed scholars to our archives and completed processing the Society of American Foresters (SAF) collection—our second-largest, chronicling the development of forestry from 1900 into the 2000s.

Looking ahead, June brings two exciting milestones: FHS turns 79 on June 12, and SAF begins its 125th anniversary celebrations. We'll mark both with a special **Day of Giving webinar**, featuring Char Miller in conversation with FHS historian Jamie Lewis and a special appearance by SAF President and CEO Terry Baker. We hope you'll join us!

If you value the preservation of forest history and the work we do to make it accessible, please make a gift to our annual Day of Giving Campaign. We need your support more than ever—your donation directly supports our programs, research, and archives—and thanks to a generous \$50,000 match, your impact will be **doubled** through the end of June.

Your support ensures that stories of conservation, leadership, and innovation in forestry are preserved and shared—not just today, but for future generations. Thank you for being a part of this important work!

Warm regards,

Tania

Special Webinar Announcement:
"Our Forests, Our Future': The History of the Society of American Foresters" with Char Miller
Hosted by Jamie Lewis

June 9, 2025 | 1-2 PM ET



The Society of American Foresters is celebrating its 125th anniversary this year. To mark the occasion, SAF is publishing a collection of essays that look at the many facets of the organization's history, impact, and legacy in the new book *Our Forests, Our Future: Honoring the Past, Engaging the Present, and Leading to the Future*. Join historian Char Miller, the book's editor and a contributor, and FHS historian Jamie Lewis for a discussion about SAF's history.



Char Miller is the W.M. Keck Professor of Environmental Analysis and History at Pomona College. His most recent books include *The Yale School of the Environment: The First 125 Years* (forthcoming 2025), *Burn Scars: A Documentary History of Fire Suppression, From Colonial Origins to the Resurgence of Cultural Burning* (2024), *Natural Consequences: Intimate Essays for a Planet in Peril* (2022), and *West Side Rising: How San Antonio's 1921 Flood Devastated a City and Sparked a Latino Environmental Justice Movement* (2021).

Get Ready to Double Your Impact up to \$50,000!



During our Matching Gift Campaign, your gift to the Forest History Society will be doubled – making twice the impact – helping to ensure that invaluable historic archival collections like the SAF collection and others are preserved and made available for research and reference, making a lasting impact on forestry for the future!

Thanks to our generous donors who have agreed to match all new and second gifts to the FHS annual fund up to \$50,000 beginning June 1st! Here's how your donation will qualify!

- 1. Be a first-time donor/member to the FHS – YOUR GIFT WILL BE MATCHED!*
- 2. Already given this year? Give a second gift to the FHS in any amount – YOUR GIFT WILL BE MATCHED! Also, ask your employer if they will match your gift.*



Double Your Donation

Meet Marlyse MacDonald!



Marlyse MacDonald, a new intern, has begun working on a digital exhibit documenting the history of Weyerhaeuser Company advertising. This digital exhibit will be divided into distinct time periods and chart the evolution of the company's advertising within the context of broader changes in the field of forestry and forest management. More than 700 advertising images have already been scanned and added to the searchable online database. Marlyse has a Master's in Library and Information Science and over 11 years of experience as a public services librarian. She first began at FHS as a volunteer, last year, assisting with cataloging the backlog of donated books before moving on to digitization projects. Stay tuned as Marlyse will complete the new digital exhibit later this summer.

This Month in Forest History



- **May 6, 1975:** The first [moon tree](#) is planted in Philadelphia. Astronaut Stuart Roosa, a former US Forest Service smokejumper, carries a bag of seeds to the moon and back.

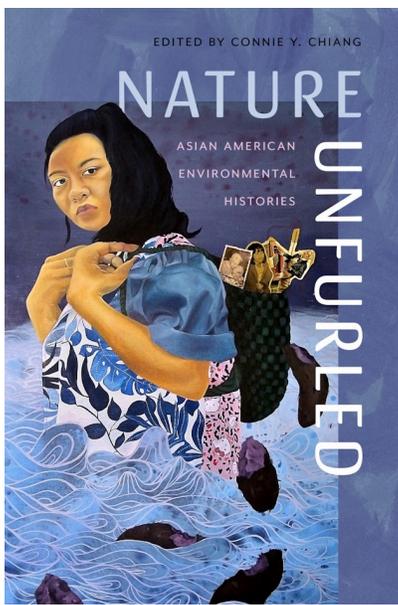
Also in May:

- **May 6, 1905:** Klamath National Forest is established from almost 2 million acres of land in California and Oregon.
- **May 8, 1850:** The Supreme Court delivers a decision in the case of [United States v. Briggs](#), its first ruling on the question of timber cutting on public lands.
- **May 13, 1988:** The [Great Northwest Log Haul](#) takes place in Montana. A convoy of trucks more than 12 miles long was actually a unique form of protest by the local logging community.
- **May 31, 1940:** Washington State Governor Clarence D. Martin [issued an influential proclamation](#) appealing for the positive action by all of Washington's citizens in the prevention of wildfires. This public proclamation would directly lead to the creation of the Keep Washington Green Association, an organization whose model was eventually copied by states throughout the country. (See more below!)

Book of the Month

***Nature Unfurled: Asian American Environmental Histories* edited by Connie Y. Chiang**

Nature Unfurled examines the links between Asian American and environmental history from the late nineteenth to the early twenty-first century. With provocative essays on topics such as health in urban Chinatowns, Japanese oysters on Washington tidelands, American Indian and Japanese American experiences at the Leupp boarding school and isolation center,



Southeast Asian community gardens, and contemporary Asian American outdoor recreation, this collection underscores the vibrancy of the field of Asian American environmental history.

Look for this book in your local library, bookstore, or by directly from the publisher.

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From the Archives



Keep Washington Green president, Rudolph W. Oltman, supervises first painting of KWG fire warning on state's highways in seven-foot letters by Jim Lohr, forestry student, 1952.

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