



**LEWIS COUNTY  
FARM FORESTRY ASSOCIATION**  
*Affiliated Chapter of Washington Farm Forestry Association*

**APRIL 2008 MEETING NOTICE**

**When: Tuesday, April 15, 2008      7:00 p.m. business meeting  
7:30 p.m. program**

**What: Nuisance Wildlife**

**Who: Gary Aschenbrenner, licensed wildlife trapper &  
Scott Shraeder, Washington Dept. of Fish & Wildlife**

**Where: Lewis County Court House Basement  
Conference Room at West End**

**Gary and Scott will be talking and answering questions about nuisance wildlife depredation – what it is and what you can do about it. Beaver, bear, nutria, moles, raccoon, etc. will be discussed.**

**Upcoming Events**

**Wed. April 9:** South Sound FFA meeting. Animal caused tree damage and some solutions. Georg Ziegltrum, Sean Carrel, and Brooke Campbell. Thurston Co. Courthouse, Bldg 1, Room 280, 2000 Lakeridge Dr. SW, Olympia. 6:30 Pizza; 7:00 business meeting; 7:30 program. Call Ken Miller 360-705-1888 for more information.

**April 24-26:** WFFA Annual Meeting, Mount Vernon. You should have received a flyer in the mail. If you did not, call the WFFA office at 736-5750 or visit the web page [www.wafarmforestry.com](http://www.wafarmforestry.com) to obtain information on the meeting.

**Tuesday May 20:** LCFFA tour of the Weyerhaeuser Co. Mima Nursery. This is early for a twilight tour, but by going in May, we hope to be there while there is still transplanting activity going on at the nursery.

## **A Message from your New President**

Hello,

My name is Steve Stinson and I am your new president for the Lewis County Farm Forestry Association (LCFFA). Some of you have known me for years and some of you I have yet to meet so I'd like to take this opportunity to either introduce or re-introduce myself and share a bit of my history and my goals for our association.

I am the son of Fae Marie Beck and Doug Stinson, the husband of Lou Jean Clark and pal to Zeppelin our 10 year old Bouvier. My family landed in Toledo in 1970 and I am currently a partner in the Cowlitz Ridge Tree Farm Family Limited Partnership. I graduated from Toledo High in 1980 and spent most of the next 15 years falling timber. In 1995 I graduated from The Evergreen State College and in 2000 left the University Of Washington College Of Forest Resources with a master of science in silviculture. That same year Tom Fox and I co-founded the Family Forest Foundation (FFF). In 2000 I went to work for the Dept .of Natural Resources as the first administrator of the small Forest Landowners office. 2003 I left the Department of Natural Resources Small Forest Landowner office (I learned more than I wanted about government in 3 + years to work as the Executive Director of the FFF where I continue to serve a seven member board of volunteers who collectively represent over 150 years of Washington Farm Forestry Association (WFFA) membership.

LCFFA, along with our parent organization WFFA face an exciting and challenging future as we strive to maintain family forest ownership now and for future generations. I see a strong grass roots voice as the foundation to the success of WFFA and members of LCFFA have contributed significantly to state wide efforts. Locally, LCFFA events bring value to resident tree farmers both from an educational and social perspective. A couple of my goals are to focus on the social benefits that a membership organization can provide while pursuing growth in our local chapter and continuing to provide quality educational opportunities.

These next two years promise to be exciting and I'd like to hear from you about what your goals and objectives for the LCFFA are. I can be reached at phone at 360-269-5918 or by e-mail at [stevestinson@familyforestfoundation.org](mailto:stevestinson@familyforestfoundation.org)

