

KNOTHOLE NEWS

October 11, 2009 Newsletter of the Upper Puget Sound Chapter of the Washington Farm Forestry Association

COMING EVENTS

October 31, 2009 Fall Forestry Seminar
"Understanding and Managing Tree Growth" with well-known forestry research scientists who will present the results of recent research. It is open to everyone who is interested -- forest landowners, foresters, loggers, students.
<http://www.watreefarm.org/ForestrySeminar.pdf>

SEMINAR LOCATION

Veterans Memorial Museum
100 SW Veterans Way
Chehalis, WA 98532

Questions?

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Saturday, November 7, 2009

UPSFFA Annual Meeting at Loyal Heights
Community Club, 4305 269th Place (near
Arlington) **12-3 P.M.**

SPEAKER: Nick Harper, Skagit & Snohomish
County Conservation Director for the Cascade Land
Conservancy. The Conservancy is purchasing land
along this area's major rivers to protect salmon
runs.

We will be having a potluck lunch. Bring your favorite salad, main course, or dessert.

Directions: from Arlington go north on State Route 9, 3.3 miles, turn left on 268th Street N.E. (Stanwood-Bryant Road), go 0.9 mile, turn right on 39th Ave. N.E., go 1 block and turn right on 269th Place. From I-5: take Exit 212, go 3.2 miles east, turn left on 39th Ave. N.E., go 1 block, turn right on 269th Place N.E.

December 5, 2009, a Saturday: Samantha Hicks' annual Potluck Lunch and Wreath-making Social, from noon to 3 p.m., at the home of Samantha Hicks. Bring wreath-making boughs and evergreen leaves, pruning shears, metal or vine wreath frames (several vine frames will be provided), and fine binding wire. **Bring chairs and dessert or bread;** cider, soup and chili will be provided.

Directions to Samantha Hicks' home: From I-5, take Exit 199 at Marysville east on State Route 528 for 3.1 miles. Left on SR 9 for 1.3 miles. Right on 84th Street NE (Getchell Road) for 1.7 miles. Left on 115th Avenue NE for 1.7 miles to Hicks driveway at 11232 115th Avenue NE (over)

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PRESIDENT'S WORDLOT

GREETINGS,

A new chapter has been formed in Southeast Washington, the Blue Mountains chapter. Hopefully, they have been greeted to make them welcome to WFFA.

We are gaining recognition for the good work that small forest landowners are doing. In August, UPS members Gil and Carol Oster and their tree farm were featured in the Seattle Times, and the Skagit Herald had an article on the Family Forest Field Day. Earlier this summer, the Arlington Times had a story about the Valhalla Tree Farm. Thanks to the people who are helping to publicize what family tree farmers are doing.

WSU Extension has a schedule of upcoming events. To view the list and read their newsletter, go to <http://snohomish.wsu.edu/forestry/forestrymailing.htm> or call 425-357-6017.

I hope to see you at our fall events.

Phil Swanson