

CLARK COUNTY FARM FORESTRY ASSOCIATION

Upcoming Events

- December 31, 2019** Deadline for ordering seedlings for 2020 planting
- February 21, 2020** Annual Meeting and Potluck, BG Community Center 6:00 pm
- February 28, March 13, 2020** Pick up dates for seedlings. 8-11 am Lewis River Reforestation
- March 14, 2020** Annual Public Tree Sale, Albertson's parking lot, 8 am till 11 am

Summer Picnic at Larwick Tree Farm

A big shout out to Jared and Torun Larwick, the chapter's Tree Farmer of the Year for hosting the annual summer picnic on July 27. About 85 members and guests enjoyed the beautiful day which included not only great food, but a tour of their approximately 40 acre tree farm. Jared has done a great job of interplanting, thinning, and pruning his 25 year old primarily Douglas fir stand.

Tevis Lapsa representing the scholarship committee presented three one thousand dollar scholarships to: Ciera Bump attending WSU Vancouver, Autumn Beck attending Concordia University, and Kaitlyn Kunze attending the University of Montana Western. Congratulations to all three and thanks to the scholarship committee for their work!

Tree Farmer of the Year Nominations

Clarence Goff, chair of the Tree Farmer of the Year committee, is still accepting nominations for the Annual Tree Farmer of the Year award to be given out in Feb. If you know someone who you think is doing a great job of tree farm management (including yourself), please let Clarence know. 360.263.8940. Just a reminder that it is our chapter's tradition to buy a lifetime membership to the Washington Farm Forestry Assn. (a \$1700 value) for our chapter winner.

CCFFA Members
Seedling Order Form for 2020

CCFFA Member Name:

Mailing Address:

Phone: _____ E Mail:

Douglas Fir orders must be in 120 tree lots.

Initial number of 1+1 DF Seed Zone 042 @ \$45.00 per 120: _____

(Maximum initial order 5000)

Additional number desired: _____

YOUR SEEDLING PICK UP:

WHERE: Lewis River Reforestation 1203 Hayes Rd.

WHEN: Please check date

February 28, 2020 _____

March 13, 2020 _____

TIME: 8:00-11:00 AM

SEEDLING PICK UP will be planned and coordinated by Debbie and Lee Levanen directly with you, based on your choice of pick up dates. Check your requested pick up day. Please send this form by December 31, 2019 with your check made payable to CCFFA to Lee or Debbie Levanen 1906 SE 25th St. Battle Ground, WA 98604

***Members wishing to volunteer their time for the seedling pick up dates, please call Lee Levanen at 360-606-0560

Annual Winter Potluck and Annual Membership Meeting:

Friday, Feb 21, 6:00 pm at the Battle Ground Community Center. Gathering at 5:30. Potluck dinner at 6:00. Please bring a Main dish AND a salad or dessert. (We like lots of food!) Also your own table service. Farm Forestry will provide chicken and hot and cold drinks. Speaker/Program TBA.

Educational Opportunities

Clackamas County Small Woodland Owner's annual Tree School. March 2020.

Contact OSU Extension for website/registration materials.

2020 Forest Stewardship Coached Planning – Online - Tuesdays, 6:00-9:00 pm

January 28-March 17, Field trip on Saturday, March 7

If you have trees on your property, this class is for you. Through this series of classes, landowners are coached through the process of writing a forest management plan for their property based on their own management objectives. Your management plan is a key to accessing resources for small forest landowners such as reduced property taxes, cost share assistance programs, and becoming a DNR certified stewardship forest.

Course fee is \$220 per household and includes seven live webinars taught by state recognized experts, a field trip, digital reference library, aerial photos, maps of your property, a copy of Native Tree of Washington, a forest measurement tool, and a personal site visit from a professional forester. Register before January 11th and save \$30. The course will be offered via live interactive webinars, A high speed internet connection is needed either via computer or mobile device. Registration or more info at: forestry.wsu.edu Questions? Contact Patrick Shultz at 360.740.1213 or patrick.shultz@wsu.edu

Annual Public Tree Sale

Our annual public seedling sale, which is our sole fundraiser for the organization, will be held on Saturday March 14, 2020 at Albertson's parking lot from 8:00 am until 11:00 am. Thanks to the dozens of you who show up each year to help. Set up at 6:45 am. Sales starts at 8:00 or as soon as we're ready. Complimentary pizza and refreshments after the sale at Rocky's Pizza.

Seedling Order Form

Please find enclosed a seedling order form for 2020. These need to be turned in to Lee or Debbie Levanen by December 31, 2019. Notice there is a maximum on initial orders, but let them know on your order form if you would like more seedlings. We will make them available on a first come, first serve basis as long as the supply lasts. There has been another nursery crop failure of Western Red Cedar, so we will only have some at the public sale this year.

Volunteer Opportunities

The Clark and Cowlitz Chapters of the Washington Farm Forestry Association are now forming the planning committee for the Annual State Meeting to be held May 11-13, 2020 in Vancouver. The initial meeting will be held on Wednesday December 4 at 6:30 pm at the home of conference chair Bob Brink, Please contact him at 360.686.3524 or at bobjbrink@gmail.com for further information or directions.