

Washington Farm Forestry Association 2023 Annual Meeting Schedule

Sunday, May 21, 2023 | Field Tour of the Hama Hama Tree Farm and Luncheon, 35846 US-101, Lilliwaup, WA 98555

Members of WFFA South Sound Chapter, 2008 Washington State Tree Farmer of the Year

- 10:30 AM **Attendee Check-in** | Follow the WFFA Event signs to Field Tour parking area
- 11:00 AM **Welcome and Introductions and Depart on Field Tour** | Join us for the Hama Hama Tree Farm tour to enjoy their amazing redwoods and a legacy forest “Grandfather’s Grove” while learning some interesting perspectives that come from maintaining continuous family stewardship of the same forest for more than 100 years. Discuss the Tree Farm’s many features and their philosophy that forestry is a tool for sequestering carbon, protecting wildlife habitat and sustaining families and communities.
- 1:30 AM **Lunch** | Buffet lunch served by the Hama Hama Oyster Bar staff, available for prepaying attendees.
- 5:00 PM **Early Check-in and Registration Packet Pick-up** – Olympia Hotel at Capitol Lake, 2300 Evergreen Park Drive SW, Olympia, WA 98502 – Main Lobby
- 5:00 PM **Informal Evening Gathering** – West Water Lounge and Restaurant

Monday, May 22, 2023 | 70th Anniversary of WFFA – Honor the Past, Celebrate the Present & Inspire the Future,

Olympia Hotel at Capitol Lake, 2300 Evergreen Park Drive SW, Olympia, WA 98502

- 7:00-8:45 AM **Check-in and Registration Packet Pick-up & Buffet Breakfast** – Fir Ballroom Foyer
- 9:00 AM **Welcome and Opening Remarks** | Elaine Oneil, Executive Director, WFFA / Dick Alescio, President, WFFA – Spruce Ballroom
- 9:15 AM **70 Years – A Look Back and a Look Forward – Family Forest Landowners Then and Now – Setting the Stage** | Elaine Oneil, Executive Director, WFFA – Spruce Ballroom
- 9:45 AM **Looking Back: Management Practices, Regulation and Perceptions – Panel** – Spruce Ballroom
- 10:30 AM **Break** – Visit Exhibitors and Vendors, Buy Raffle Tickets and Enjoy Break Refreshments
- 11:00 AM **Concurrent Session 1: 1A - Future Technologies in Forestry** – Spruce Ballroom
Session 1B - How to Tell Your Tree Farm Story – Writing Your Family Legacy – Olympic Room
- 11:30 AM **Washington Tree Farm Program Awards Ceremony and Luncheon** | Guest Speaker: Vicki Christiansen, Retired Chief, USDA Forest Service – Fir Ballroom
- 1:30 PM **Break** – Visit Exhibitors and Vendors, Buy Raffle Tickets and Enjoy Break Refreshments
- 1:45 PM **Concurrent Session 2: Session 2A - Carbon Marketing – Panel** – Spruce Ballroom
Session 2B - Getting Women Owning Woodlands Running in Washington – Olympic Room
- 2:15 PM **Mini Break** – Set-up Speakers and Attendees move to new room, as needed
- 2:30 PM **Concurrent Session 3: Session 3A - Improving the Future of Forests for Small Forest Landowners – Panel** – Spruce Ballroom
Session 3B - Shiny Things – The Extra Perks of Forestland Ownership – Panel – Olympic Room
- 3:00 PM **Mini Break** – Reconvene all Attendees in Spruce Ballroom
- 3:10 PM **Steven D. Stinson Leadership in Natural Resources Scholarship Recipient Award / Family Forest Foundation Announcements / Raffle Winners Posted** – Spruce Ballroom
- 3:30 PM **Break** – Visit Exhibitors and Vendors, Pick-up Winning Raffle Items and Enjoy Break Refreshments
- 4:00 PM **WFFA Annual Business Meeting / State Elections / Annual Report** – Spruce Ballroom
- 5:00 PM **Social Hour – No Host Bar**
- 6:00 PM **Dinner and Evening Slideshow Program** | Photo Montage of *The Last 70 Years of Small Forest Land Ownership Across the State of Washington*, coordinated by Donna Loucks, Membership Chair, WFFA – Fir Ballroom

Tuesday, May 23, 2023 | WFFA Executive Board Meeting, Olympia Hotel at Capitol Lake

- 6:00-8:00 AM **Buffet Breakfast** – West Water Restaurant | Provided only to those AM23 attendees that prepaid with their hotel room reservation and our EB members
- 8:00 AM **WFFA Executive Board Meeting and Luncheon** – Olympic Room