


## *Governor Appoints Timber Advisory Council*

Governor Rick Snyder has appointed members to a Timber Advisory Council. The council is charged to provide advice and counsel to the director of the MI Department of Natural Resources and Forest Resources Division on

policy, procedure, issues and concerns related to timber management in Michigan.

Members include: J. R. Richardson-Natural Resource Commissioner-Chair, Keith Martell-Martell Forestry, Jerry Grossman-Grossman Forestry Company Consulting Foresters; Charlie Becker-Plum Creek; Margaret Minerick-Minerick Logging; John Lamy-Louisiana Pacific; Jessica Torino-Weyerhaeuser; Gary Melow-Michigan Biomass; Margaret Gale-MTU School of Forest Resources & Environmental Science; Rich Bowman-The Nature Conservancy-Michigan; Mike McCuiston-Lowe Foundation.

The Timber Advisory Council (TAC) has made great progress since being established in January. The group is up and running and have established multiple priorities that include; Timber Economy, Timber Harvest, Commercial Forest and Non-industrial Private Lands Management, Forest Health, and Land Management. There has been numerous meetings and sub-committee work. A major effort to provide recommendations to the legislature and executive branch on non-industrial private forest issues was completed. This included a review and recommendations concerning the current private forest legislation. Moving forward they will be tackling the issues of chain of custody, sustainable timber harvest and the MI timber economy making recommendations to help this vital industry sector move forward. Michigan's forests and forest products industry contribute more than \$14 billion annually to the state's economy and support more than 136,000 jobs. 

Submitted by Bill O'Neill  
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### **ATTENTION SAF MEMBERS:**

*The Michigan Forester* is going digital in **2013**. The fall edition will be the last mass print edition. A digital copy will be mailed to members that are on the email distribution list and a PDF version will be available on the Michigan SAF site. More detail to come in the next edition of *The Michigan Forester*

If you aren't digital yet, printed copies will be available upon request.

Please contact Tori Irving for more information  
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***MSU Forestry  
offers new graduate certificate in  
Forest Carbon Science, Policy  
and Management***

A new graduate certificate program is being offered by Michigan State University's Department of Forestry. Beginning Fall Semester 2012, a Graduate Certificate in Forest Carbon Science, Policy and Management will focus on the complex and emerging issues surrounding the use of forest management to mitigate global climate change.

As foresters, we understand the critical role forests play in regulating carbon dioxide in the atmosphere. This first-of-its-kind program is expected to attract students from Michigan, the United States, and the world, especially from developing tropical countries that have abundant forests but lack forestry expertise. Recognition of the importance of forests by the international community means that forestry-based climate mitigation projects are booming. The new certificate will offer students the expertise needed to manage and contribute to these projects. The program will teach students how forest management actions affect forest carbon balance, the ins and outs of forest carbon markets, the social and political context of managing forests for carbon sequestration, and the tools for measuring, monitoring, and accounting for forest carbon – including satellite imagery, remote sensing, and integrated carbon sequestration models.

The Department of Forestry at MSU marks its 110<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. This extraordinary longevity has been attained because of a history of continuous innovation, like the Forest Carbon Science, Policy and Management Certificate, that addresses the critical role of forests in human well-being and environmental quality.

The program is open to a wide range of students, including students with a bachelor's degree who are not enrolled in a master's or doctoral program, as well as current master's and doctoral students at MSU and other universities. Given the need to integrate sustainability and climate change mitigation across all economic sectors, the program will consider applicants from all backgrounds, including those involved in business, law, forestry, natural resources, environmental consulting, and government. Students without experience in forestry or a

related field may need to supplement the certificate courses with independent study or additional coursework.

For more information, visit [www.for.msu.edu/forestcarbon](http://www.for.msu.edu/forestcarbon) or contact David Rothstein, Associate Professor in the Department of Forestry, at 517-432-3353 or [rothste2@msu.edu](mailto:rothste2@msu.edu).

Submitted by Larry Leefers

## ***Upcoming Events***

### **Red Pine Management, Wisconsin SAF**

***August 14-15, 2012***

Stevens Point, WI at the Holiday Inn

Cost: \$115

### **Woody Biomass Field Day -**

### **MSU Forest Biomass Innovation Center**

***August 21, 2012, 1:00 p.m. -5:00 p.m. (eastern),***

Escanaba, MI at the FBI Center

Cost: Free, but please let us know if you'll attend

Contact: Bill Cook at [cookwi@msu.edu](mailto:cookwi@msu.edu) or  
906-786-1575

### **67th Annual Lake States Logging Congress & Equipment Expo**

***September 6-8, 2012***

Oshkosh, WI

For more events, visit the Michigan SAF website at  
<http://michigansaf.org/Calendar/calendar.htm>



### ***Have something to share?***

Please contact Tori Irving at [toriiirving@gmail.com](mailto:toriiirving@gmail.com) or at (906) 341-8463 to submit articles, photos, ideas, or suggestions!

## *Elections & Opportunities*

It seems like we were just in Houghton in May for the Spring Conference and here it's July already! There are some items that need some diligent members to volunteer for. We need two candidates to hold an election for the State Society Chair, with the term starting in January and lasting for 2 years, 2013 and 2014. One candidate has been nominated and Jack Penegor is still taking nominations, so get in touch with him if you have an interest at 906-428-2353, or at forester@chartermi.net.

The Society Treasurer position is available for someone to get involved. Jack Pilon will mentor the new member until they are comfortable performing the necessary tasks to do the great job that Jack has done all these years.

The State Society is also looking for an Education Fund Chair to replace Josh Wall who did a good job in his short tenure in that role. This person coordinates the raffles at the State conferences. Raffle proceeds are then utilized for various outreach programs that the membership is involved in. This has included the Leadership Academy that 15 members attended last July, supporting the U.P. Auto Tour, and many more. It is a very crucial position that assists the Society and its Foresters

within our communities.

Speaking of which, with Education Fund proceeds, we now have the license and DVD to show the movie "Greenfire, Aldo Leopold and a Land Ethic For Our Time". By hosting a viewing of the movie, it would be a great way to put the SAF name out to the public. The packet includes some advertising software to create items like posters too. Contact me if you are interested at angel-jl@michigan.gov.

There are many more opportunities that are in the works or still being developed for public outreach as a Forester and the State Society. I don't know if it's because it's an election year or why exactly, but the public is very aware of proposed and current activities that affect Michigan's forests, including forest health like the Emerald Ash Borer and wildfire threats. As Foresters, we need to ensure that the facts are available and engage in discussions so people can make informed decisions and choices about the natural resources they love and care about so much. 🌿

Submitted by Joyce Angel  
State Chair, 2011-2012

## *MSU Forestry to host 61<sup>st</sup> Midwestern Foresters Conclave*

Mark your calendar!...April 5-7, 2013 (tentative date). MSU Forestry will host the Conclave next Spring in conjunction with the Stihl Timbersports Series, as seen on ESPN and the Outdoor Channel. This will be a great time for alumni and other Michigan foresters to join in the festivities. More details will be in the next Forester.



# Upper Peninsula Forestry Auto Tour Hosted by SAF

The following article was featured in the Newberry News on June 6, 2012

The Michigan Society of American Foresters (SAF) executive committee recently approved continuation of its Upper Peninsula Forestry Auto Tour, which was implemented in 1997.

The current need is to print 45,000 more brochures for a 3.5-year supply. A \$3,000 check, recently received from the Plum Creek Foundation, will cover a major part of this cost, while the remainder will be split between SAF and other industry and association support from the forestry community.

The purpose of the Auto Tour is to provide the driving/traveling public in the heavily forested Upper Peninsula information about the common forest types, how they are managed and their many values to industry, Michigan residents and U.P. tourists. It consists of 120 two-directional signs placed along the state highway right-of-ways throughout the U.P., at locations that represent the various timber types.

The associated brochures, which can be obtained at MDOT visitor centers, numerous USFS and DNR offices and some local Chamber of Commerce offices, are approximately the size of a Michigan road map. One side shows a map of the U.P. with the location of all of the numbered roadside signs, and the other side contains text descriptions of the various forest types.

In conjunction with this, SAF is currently developing a smartphone application that should improve the educational value of the Auto Tour and will be included in this next printing. SAF is distributing 12,000 brochures per year now— 180,000 since the tour was implemented.

According to Glenn Moll, coordinator of the Auto Tour, “We don’t hand them out. Folks have to remove them from a rack, so we have to assume that they are interested in the forest resource, read them at least partially and hopefully gain something from their having taken the brochure.”

The Auto Tour has been very popular with motorists, as



Michigan Society of American Foresters received a \$3000 check from the Plum Creek Foundation that will help with the continuation of its Upper Peninsula Forestry Auto Tour. Pictured left to right: Peter Grieves of Newberry-SAF 50 year member, retired founder and executive director of Michigan Association of Timbermen; Tim Gerou of Rudyard-Plum Creek Senior Resource Forester; Glenn Moll of Newberry-SAF U.P. Forestry Auto Tour coordinator; Terry Manty of Newberry-SAF U.P. Chapter chair and Senior Forester with Grossman Forestry; Bernie Hubbard of Newberry-SAF past national president, retired MI State Forest-

demonstrated by the numerous articles that have been printed in area and state newspapers over the years.

Implementing the tour necessitated building a strong working relationship with MDOT to allow the signs to be placed on the state highway right-of-ways, and the financial and organizational support of the many cooperators who assisted in designing and developing the tour, including providing materials, volunteer labor and direct financial support. 🌿

## *Finding practical responses to a changing climate*

### **The challenge:**

Michigan's forests enhance our quality of life, and we all share an interest in ensuring that this resource remains healthy. The forestry community has experience confronting challenges to forest sustainability, such as forest pests. Climate change may add new stresses in some places, and make existing threats to forests even worse. We continue to learn more about the extent and severity of potential effects, and have begun to develop approaches to adaptation that incorporate the uncertainty of future climate. Ultimately, the most effective responses will involve learning and collaboration across political boundaries and ownerships, just as climate change affects all lands.



As our knowledge on climate change grows, one point becomes increasingly clear: humans have a large role to play in determining how our forests will adapt to the changes that lie ahead. Combining our collective knowledge and experience will be necessary to address the challenge of climate change. To gather a wide range of perspectives and input from foresters, landowners, researchers, and conservationists, we have created a Forests group within the Michigan Climate Coalition (MCC; [www.miclimatecoalition.org](http://www.miclimatecoalition.org)). MCC is a local initiative to encourage collaboration and put climate change information into practice across a wide variety of topics, including education, human health, forests, wildlife, and aquatics. MCC is a new organization, spearheaded by Michigan DNR, DEQ, Michigan State University, The Nature Conservancy, and the Northern Institute of Applied Climate Science.

### **MCC Forestry Group:**

The MCC Forests Group will connect interested land managers, professional foresters, conservationists, and researchers. The overall goal is to help Michigan's forestry community address the challenge of climate change. A few potential activities of the MCC Forests Group include:

- Sharing knowledge within the forestry community on available science and information related to forests and climate change;
- Learning about concerns within the forestry community;
- Encouraging collaboration and communication between different organizations;
- Identifying and discussing climate-adaptive forest management practices; and
- Providing hands-on training opportunities and demonstration projects.

### **Get Involved:**

Your input can help us set priorities for the MCC Forests Group and figure out how we can have the most useful impact. Please take a few minutes to tell us what you think: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/JFQ3Z6K>. It's only 6 questions, and we'll appreciate your input. If you're interested in participating or learning more, please contact us! 🌱

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## *MiSAF Members Receiving Membership Pins in 2012*

Submitted by Craig Kasmer, Awards Chair

Every Spring Conference and Fall Conference, Membership Recognition Pins are handed out at the evening banquet. Please take a moment to see if your name is on the list of pin recipients for this year. If it is, be sure to attend one (or why not both?) of the conferences this year; if you recognize a friend/colleague/neighbor etc. that is on the list, please let them know that they are on the pin recipient list.

### *10 Year Pin 2012 Recipients*

(Member Since 2002)

Ms. Allison L. Buell	Mr. Jason McClure
Mr. Randal D. Charles	Mr. Charles E. Michaels
Mr. Anthony J. Dombrowski	Dr. Georgia Peterson
Mr. Chad Fate	Ms. Marla J. Rader
Mr. Paul A. Filary	Mr. Paul Rentschler
Mr. Adam L. Gahagan	Mr. Nicholas A. Ronning
Ms. Karen M. Gardner	Dr. Andrew J. Storer
Mr. Gavin Green	Ms. Rachel A. Tarpey
Mr. Jason Hartman	Mr. Gary L. Willis
Mr. Chad Hiltunen	Mr. Joseph B. Wyderko
Mr. James M. Malloy	

### *20 Year Pin 2012 Recipients*

(Member Since 1992)

Mr. Daniel J. Aiken  
 Mr. Robert Gentry  
 Mr. Marshall F. Gilbert  
 Mr. Shawn P. Hagan  
 Mr. Carl W. Heinowski  
 Mr. David D. Neumann  
 Ms. Kirsten A. Nielsen  
 Mr. Todd Siegert  
 Mr. Darrell A. Sillings  
 Mr. Michael W. Touchinski

### *30 Year Pin 2012 Recipients*

(Member Since 1982)

Mr. Robert T. Aschbacher  
 Ms. Debbie A. Begalle  
 Mr. Dale E. Ekdom  
 Mr. Laurence G. Heibel  
 Mr. Mark P. Janke  
 Dr. Daniel E. Keathley  
 Mr. Peter H. Klink  
 Mr. Rick Lucas  
 Mr. Robert G. Lueckel  
 Ms. Maureen H. McDonough  
 Dr. Blair D. Orr

### *40 Year Pin 2012 Recipients*

(Member Since 1972)

Mr. Robert E. DeVillez  
 Mr. Stephen Kelley  
 Mr. Thomas L. Kelley  
 Mr. William G. Rogers  
 Mr. Allen D. Saberniak  
 Mr. Kenneth W. Salo  
 Mr. Donald W. Tracey

### *50 Year Pin 2012 Recipients*

(Member Since 1962)

Mr. Walter F. Kuntze  
 Mr. Jack Titus  
 Mr. Russell J. Weisinger

### *60 Year Pin 2012 Recipients*

(Member Since 1952)

Dr. Burton V. Barnes  
 Dr. Charles E. Olson

## *Refreshing the SAF Auto Tour signs – One County at a Time*

Some time ago I attended an SAF business meeting where the topic of the U.P. Auto Tour was on the agenda. The self-guided forestry educational system has been in place across the U.P. for over 15 years now and the roadside signs are



showing their age. A year or two ago the east U.P. folks did a great job of replacing their signs but the west U.P. was lagging behind in the project. Living in Marquette County I volunteered to tackle the sign replacement project here. Jack Penegor sent me the map of locations, supplied me with posts and the new signs. It

I found a couple places where there was no sign and I learned that to install a new sign requires Miss Dig notification. All in all it was an enjoyable project. If you live in a county where the signs have not been replaced yet I would encourage you to take the task on. The new signs really stand out while many of the old signs are nearly unreadable. I'm not sure what counties still need to have the signs replaced but if you're interested contact Jack Penegor for details ((906) 428-4735, forester@chartermi.net). I'm sure he would welcome the call.

Submitted by Jim Ferris

**Michigan Society of American Foresters**

Year 2012 Budget Status Report

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Cash brought forward from previous year		\$ -
Revenue	Expected 2012 Revenue	Revenue Received as of July 16, 2012
<b>State Society</b>		
Membership Dues	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 1,630.00
Interest	\$ 70.00	\$ 25.71
Spring Conference Proceeds	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,560.00
Fall Conference Proceeds	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
Michigan Forester Ads	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 975.00
Reimbursements/Greenbook		\$ 1,688.00
PLT Honorarium	\$ 200.00	\$ -
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 6,878.71</b>

Expenses	Budgeted for 2012	Funds Disbursed as of July 16, 2012
<b>State Society</b>		
HSD	\$ 230.00	\$ -
Chapter Dues	\$ 350.00	\$ -
Michigan Forester	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 323.49
Society Administration	\$ 130.00	\$ 260.03
State Chair	\$ 200.00	\$ -
MI Forester Editor Honorarium	\$ 200.00	\$ -
MI Forester Bus Mgr Honorarium	\$ 200.00	\$ -
Secretary Honorarium	\$ 200.00	\$ -
Treasurer Honorarium	\$ 200.00	\$ -
Students to Nat'l Meeting	\$ 500.00	\$ -
National Meeting	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
Donation to Nat'l Raffle	\$ 100.00	\$ -
Leadership Academy		\$ -
Awards	\$ 200.00	\$ -
PLT Honorarium	\$ 200.00	\$ -
MSU Web Hosting	\$ 150.00	\$ -
Greenbook Printing	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,376.00
Misc		\$ -
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 3,959.52</b>

Total Michigan SAF cash as of:	July 16, 2012	\$ 12,356.08
Total Education Fund cash as of:	July 16, 2012	\$ 980.04

**Michigan Society of American Foresters has cash assets only.  
Prepared by: John Pilon, Treasurer**

All transactions are linked to Ledger Sheet		MICHIGAN SAF EDUCATION FUND ACCOUNT - 2012				
CHECK #	2012	TRANSACTION	DESCRIPTION	SUBTRACTIONS	ADDITIONS	BALANCE
	1/24/12	James & Kaura Ferris Contribution	Contribution		\$ 100.00	\$ 5,443.04
1422	2/9/12	Michigan Outdoor Advertising	September - February rent	\$ 2,350.00		\$ 3,093.04
1426	3/8/12	Ryan Hauser-Jeryc	MSU Leadership Scholarship	\$ 250.00		\$ 2,843.04
1433	4/13/12	Printex, Inc	Green Book Printing	\$ 844.00		\$ 1,999.04
	4/24/12	Baumgarten Forest Products, Inc	Donation for Raffle Prize		\$ 25.00	\$ 2,024.04
1434	4/25/12	Tim Lawrence	MTU Leadership Scholarship	\$ 250.00		\$ 1,774.04
	5/24/12	Education Fund Raffle Sales	Spring Conference Ticket Sales		\$ 506.00	\$ 2,280.04
1443	6/29/12	UP Chapter SAF	Auto Tour	\$ 1,300.00		\$ 980.04
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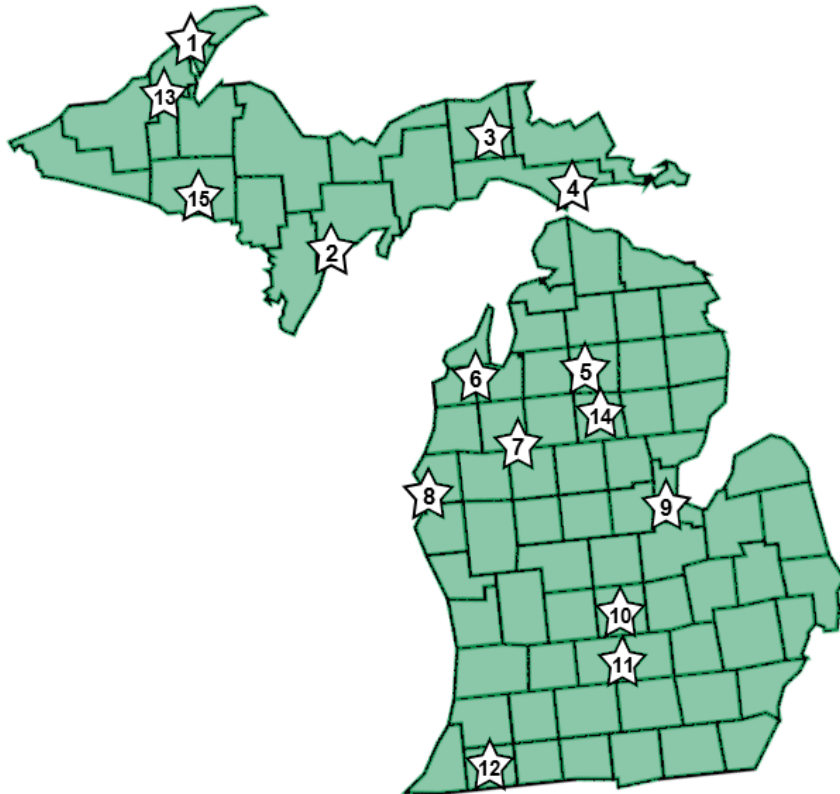
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