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A Flood Turned the Tide for Sam Konnie

Sam Konnie '51 was headed for a civil engineering career, but a flood diverted his attention—the infamous Vanport flood of Memorial Day 1948. The flood set off a chain of circumstances that introduced him to forestry, propelled him into the logging engineering program at Oregon State, and set him up for a successful and fulfilling career in the forest products industry.

Along the way he and his family have given back generously to his alma mater. The Department of Forest Engineering this year named one of its laboratories the Sam Konnie Family Forest Surveying and Road Design Laboratory in recognition of the Konnie family's contributions to the College. "The need for careful stewardship of our natural resources has never been greater," said Dean Salwasser at the dedication, "and the designation of this key teaching and research laboratory to honor the Konnie family is most appropriate."

Raised in Klamath Falls, son of a sheet-metal worker, Konnie joined the Navy during World War II and worked in San Diego repairing airplanes.

After the war he and his wife, Bobbie, moved to Portland, and he enrolled at Vanport Community College, at the confluence of the Willamette and Columbia rivers.

On Memorial Day of 1948, a flood tore through the shipyard community, sweeping away houses, apartments, and the college. The Konnies barely escaped, and they lost all their belongings.

The college moved its classes to the Lincoln High School building in Portland, and there Konnie took his first forestry class. He was fascinated—and hooked. He switched his major from civil to forest engineering, and when it was time, transferred to Oregon State. He graduated with a degree in Forest Engineering in 1951.

Konnie joined the Swanson Brothers Lumber Co. in Noti, building logging roads on the mostly federal forest lands where the company was purchasing its timber. He joined the company full-time in 1955.

He sank his roots in deeply, buying stock in the company and moving up to become general manager. In 1986 the Konnie family became the company's sole owner.

In 1997 Sam and Bobbie Konnie and their family quietly began a 20-year contribution campaign

to support teaching programs in the OSU Forest Engineering department. The family's yearly \$75,000 gifts have supported the purchase of laboratory equipment, established scholarships and fellowships for undergraduate and graduate students, enabled the department to bring in speakers on critical topics, helped students travel to attend professional meetings, and is helping build an endowment for long-term scholarship support.

Thanks to the Konnie gift, students in the surveying and photogrammetry classes have top-of-the-line equipment to learn on. "This allows my students to develop real-world projects directly related to their future careers," says instructor Jim Kiser. "It definitely gives them a leg up on the competition." Another purchase made possible by Sam Konnie is a rainfall simulator that allows students to measure water infiltration into the soil under a variety of conditions. Also thanks to Konnie, students learning road design don't have to share computers—there are enough for everybody.

Konnie is happy that his family's gift makes possible superior equipment and training. "I'm envious of the challenges the students face in the changing world today," he said at the lab dedication ceremony, "and I'm impressed with their preparedness to take on those challenges."

—We are grateful to Christena Hansen of the West Lane News for her contribution to this story.



Sam Konnie at the mill in Noti.

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Focus reFocuses

As our readers have surely noticed, *Focus on Forestry* has a new look. We've moved to a tabloid format, and we're featuring livelier colors, shorter stories, more photos, and a generally updated look. We will be publishing the new *Focus* four times a year, up from only three.

The change follows strategizing by the College's leadership about our communications mission. As everybody knows, state budgets are tight, and that means we at OSU must work smarter. We're committed to keeping our alumni and friends informed of all the good things at the College of Forestry in the most cost-effective way we can. We think a lively quarterly tabloid, featuring brief news and feature items and good photographs, will keep everybody up to date and interested.

The new *Focus* has space for letters from readers. So what do you think? We welcome your comments about the new design and anything else pertaining to the College of Forestry.

Department evolves; so does name

The Department of Forest Products has changed its name to the Department of Wood Science and Engineering—reflecting its increasing emphasis on science, engineering, business, and technology connected with forest products. “The new name is a more contemporary descriptor of the activities of our faculty and students,” says department head Tom McLain.

The Wood Science and Engineering department offers the bachelor of science degree in Wood Science and Technology



WS&E students Aaren Kjeld and Nicky DeVeny (center and right) talking with plant manager Jon Toley at the Georgia-Pacific sawmill in Philomath.

Accreditation approved for WS & E

The bachelor of science degree program in the Department of Wood Science and Engineering (WS&E) has been accredited for another five years by the Society of Wood Science and Technology. The acceptance followed a comprehensive self-study by the faculty and an on-site assessment by an accreditation review team.

The accreditation means that OSU will continue to provide WS&E students with an excellent education leading to challenging professional opportunities, says department head Tom McLain. “There is high demand for qualified wood scientists and technologists. We're pleased that the Society recognizes our ability to educate the leaders we need for today and tomorrow.”

with six technical or business-related options. The department also offers master's and doctoral degrees in Wood Science.

Graduates with this kind of education are in high demand, says McLain. “The forest products and allied industries have increased productivity through the use of technology, new-product development, and enhanced marketing strategies. The demand for well-educated graduates outstrips the supply. Our more descriptive and informative degree titles and added new options should help our students better target these career opportunities.”

He was a commander-in-chief with a tender heart



Dean Carl Stoltenberg in front of the new Peavy Hall in about 1971

In his 22-year tenure as Dean of the College of Forestry, Carl Stoltenberg was a strong captain with the vision and clout to make far-reaching changes. “There was

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never any doubt about who was in command," says George Brown, his protégé, deputy, and successor as Dean. But Brown was close enough to see his tenderer side. "He could be blunt about performance, but he would agonize over hard personnel decisions," says Brown. "These kept him up at night. He wouldn't let most people see this side of him."



with George Brown, John Byrne, and L.L. "Stub" Stewart

"He seemed to stand at attention even when giving a speech," says Brown. "But he cared very deeply about the students. He worked hard to make sure there was scholarship money for those who deserved it and needed it."

Stoltenberg died in December in Tucson, AZ, after a long illness. He was 77.

When he became Dean in 1967, the College was a technical forestry and forest products school mostly focused on undergraduate teaching. Over the next two decades Stoltenberg built it into a comprehensive teaching and research center offering both undergraduate and

graduate degrees in many aspects of forestry-related science and engineering, resource management, and products manufacturing. He built up the College's programs in research, much of it related to environmental protection, and enhanced the College's extended education and outreach efforts.

Stoltenberg also felt the College had a role to play in the statewide policy arena. An economist himself, he recruited other forest economists to the faculty. "There was a little bit of grumbling about this; some comments such as 'how many of these people do we really need?'" says Brown. But Stoltenberg knew the

College needed strength in its economics capacity to speak credibly on policy issues.

The year he retired, Stoltenberg was diagnosed with a degenerative eye disease that rapidly took his sight. Brown, who was Associate Dean for research at the time, urged his boss to take time off and see the world while he could. Stoltenberg refused. "He said, 'We're coming to the end of the legislative session, and we need



at home with his wife, Rosemary.

Carl H. Stoltenberg

1924 – 2001

B.S., M.S. University of California, Berkeley

Ph.D. University of Minnesota

Dean, Oregon State University College of Forestry, 1967-1989.

Served on forestry faculties at University of California, Duke, and University of Minnesota; forestry department head at Iowa State University.

Member, past president, and Fellow, Society of American Foresters

Awarded Gifford Pinchot Medal for outstanding contribution to north American forestry, 1993.

Member and past chairman, Oregon Board of Forestry; led adoption of forest practice rules that protected soil and water.

Author of many publications on forest economics and policy, forest management, multiple-use forestry, resolution of natural resource conflicts, and continuing education in forestry.

someone in charge.' He was the commander in chief."

Hal Salwasser, current Dean of the College, also praised Carl Stoltenberg for his leadership and accomplishments. "Dean Stoltenberg brought high integrity and professional class to the College of Forestry," he says. "We're forever grateful for the high standards of leadership he set. Plus, he was a genuinely good person."

Stoltenberg is survived by his wife, Rosemary; seven children; 24 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

CoF is food drive's top banana

Thanks to the hard work of volunteer coordinators, auction organizers, cookie bakers, and soup chefs, the College of Forestry won the Top Banana award from Linn-Benton Food Share for raising both the most money and the most pounds of food in the OSU spring food drive. The College also took home the Pot of Gold award for raising the most money.

The College took first place in its class (100 or more employees), and also took first place within the state higher education system, "which is quite an honor," says coordinator Tresa Stevens, administrative assistant to Dean Salwasser.

OSU smashed its all-time record this year by contributing the equivalent of 435,227 pounds of food, says Gale Hazel of the university's advancement office, who chaired the food drive for OSU.

The College raised \$4,822 and 788 pounds of food. Students and faculty contributed by supporting soup-and-bread lunches, a bake sale, and a white-elephant silent auction and book sale.



Karla Rhoads, center, wields the ladle at a soup lunch. She's flanked by Xinglian Geng, left, and Margie Hoover, right; all three are from Wood Science and Engineering.



Ted Scheffer, professor emeritus of Wood Science and Engineering, celebrated his 98th with friends and colleagues, including Dean Emeritus George Brown, in February

Another Hatfield Fellow from Forestry



Bodie Shaw with former Oregon Senator Mark Hatfield.

Warm Springs tribal member **Bodie Shaw '93, '96** has been named the 2001-2002 Mark O. Hatfield Congressional Fellow. Shaw is working in the Washington, D.C., office of Rep. Earl Blumenauer. "I look at this as a stepping stone," says Shaw. "If the doors are open, the potential is to continue work on Native issues at the national level."

The nine-month fellowship allows a Native American to serve as a staff member for one of the seven members of Oregon's Congressional delegation. The Hatfield Fellow serves as liaison between the Congressional member and Northwest tribes on issues that affect Native Americans, and serves as a resource for the entire Oregon delegation. The placement rotates to the office of a different member each year.

The Hatfield Fellowship was created by the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde as a living tribute to Oregon's former senator Mark O. Hatfield. It is administered through the Spirit Mountain Community Fund. Fellows receive a monthly stipend, moving and travel expenses, and tuition for an American Political Science Association orientation.

Peter Wakeland '95 was the first Forestry alumnus to receive the Hatfield fellowship. In 1998-99, Wakeland, an Umpqua Indian, worked in Sen. Ron Wyden's office.

Shaw, 36, has served since November 1997 as the BIA assistant forest manager for the Warm Springs Reservation as part of an intergovernmental agreement with Oregon State University.

We are grateful to Spilyay Tymoo newspaper for permission to reprint parts of this story.

In memoriam

Ralph Millard Van Wagner '30, in February, in La Verne, CA. He was 93.



Peavy Hall's moon tree.

Letters

More on moon trees

Here is additional information on the "moon trees" (*Focus*, Winter 2000). Also, here is some information on how I became involved with the project.

I was director of the Forest Service Institute of Forest Genetics at Placerville, CA. The United States had just sent men to the

moon and returned them safely with a packet of conifer seeds. NASA was given the responsibility to germinate the seeds and grow the seedlings. They had sophisticated controlled environmental chambers, so it was a logical choice.

The seeds were successfully germinated and the seedlings were growing quite well in one of NASA's growth chambers when disaster struck: the growth chambers malfunctioned, and temperatures soared. Some hours after the emer-

Julie Maulding joins OFRI



Julie Maulding '99

has joined the staff at Oregon Forest Resources Institute

(OFRI) in Portland. As a part-time educational specialist, Julie develops and coordinates OFRI's forestry education program at the Rediscovery Forest, a demonstration forest at the Oregon Garden in Silverton. She also works with teachers to create forest education programs at the Rediscovery Forest, and she plans and coordinates public tours and workshops for groups and the public. OFRI was created by the Oregon Legislature to improve understanding of forestry and the state's forest resources and to encourage sound forest management.

gency alarm went off and before anyone could intervene, the seedlings were baked.

The next day I got a frantic call from a scientist at Houston explaining their plight. Fortunately they had reserved some of the seeds, which they sent to the Institute.

We successfully grew the seedlings at our lab in Placerville, CA, and they were distributed through the United States with appropriate publicity.

LeRoy Johnson '62, '65, Bishop, CA

Faculty & Staff

Johnson is Woman of Achievement

Becky Johnson, Associate Dean and Professor in the Department of Forest Resources, has been named a Woman of Achievement for 2002 by the OSU Women's Center Advisory Board. She was honored for her exceptional leadership and pioneering efforts in the predominantly male field of forestry, her teaching and mentoring of students, and her success in research and administration. Particularly noted were her roles as Associate Dean in the College of Forestry and chair of the OSU-2007 steering committee, which

puts her "in a unique position to have a far-reaching impact," according to the Women's Center announcement. Johnson is one of four OSU women honored in 2002 whose work "has benefited the women of OSU, the local community, and Oregon."

Becky Johnson leads OSU-2007

Associate Dean Rebecca Johnson has been appointed by OSU Provost Tim White to lead a critical early stage of crafting a comprehensive strategic plan for the university.

Johnson chairs the OSU-2007 Steering Committee, charged with gathering ideas and opinions from OSU faculty, staff, and students to help build a shared plan to guide the university through the year 2007. The process has been dubbed OSU-2007.

"Some of my friends and coworkers said I was crazy to take on this task," says Johnson with a smile. "But I think there is a good process in place now that allows input from all sectors of campus. For this to succeed—and I believe it will—we're going to need participation."

Four core planning teams report to Johnson's committee. They address curriculum issues; the student experience; institutional and unit management; and scholarship, research, and creative issues. These teams are aided by satellite groups composed of constituents both on and off campus, representing a variety of skills and interests.

Strategic planning was initiated last fall, as the university was beginning to

face its current budget shortfall. University officials, however, are striving to keep the OSU-2007 process separate from discussions about immediate financial concerns. To thrive in the future, says Provost White, the university needs to make positive and measurable impacts on the civic, economic, environmental, and social foundations of society. "The university will be keenly interested in accelerating the further development of excellence in

its educational, research, and outreach programs in five thematic areas: arts and sciences; biosciences and health; atmosphere, earth, and ocean systems; engineering and technology; and natural resources."

The first draft of the OSU-2007 strategic plan should be ready by the end of December.

—R.H.

Updates

Everett Hansen, adjunct professor in Forest Science, was selected as a Fellow in the American Phytopathological Society in recognition of his work in forest pathology over the years. He will receive the award at the society's annual meeting in July.

John Bliss has been appointed associate department head in the Department of Forest Resources, under department head Jack Walstad. In addition to his teaching and research in private and family forestry, Bliss will work on further developing the department's graduate program.

George Swanson is the new program support coordinator for the Department of Wood Science and Engineering. Swanson comes to the College of Forestry after retiring from teaching elementary school in Corvallis, last teaching at Hoover Elementary.

Doug Maguire, formerly of Forest Resources, has joined the Department of Forest Science as the Edmund Hayes Professor in Silviculture Alternatives. He succeeds Bill Emmingham, who retired last fall.

Amy Brunner and **Olga Krankina**, formerly research associates in the Department of Forest Science, are now assistant professors in the department.

Visiting faculty

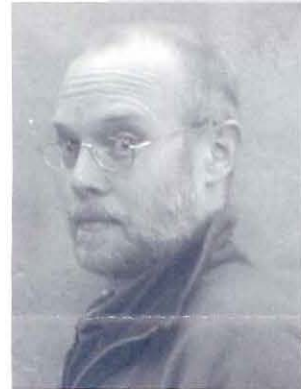
Igor Yakovlev, working with Steve Strauss, Forest Science. He is an assistant professor at Mari State Technical University in Russia, here on a Fulbright Scholarship to study genetic conservation and biotechnology of forests.

Hamid Rahiman Mashhadi, working with Steve Radosevich, Forest Science. He is a professor at the University of Ferdowski, Mashhad, Iran, here to work on several research projects involving invasive plant species.

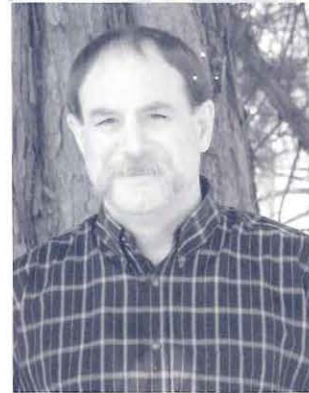
Dean's Awards

Dean **Hal Salwasser** honored six individuals and two teams in the College of Forestry with the annual Dean's Award for Outstanding Achievement. The awards ceremony was held in January. This year's individual recipients are:

Kathy Howell, associate director of Forestry Computing Resources, in recognition of her expertise in information technology and helping to guide the redesign of the College web page. **Barbara Bond**, forest physiologist and associate professor in the Forest Science department, for her exceptional skill as an advisor and mentor. "A gifted teacher who truly cares about providing quality education," said Salwasser. **Jeff Morrell**, professor in the Wood Science and Engineering department, for his outstanding research and education program in biodeterioration and wood protection. **Gretchen Bracher**, graphic designer in the Communications Group, for her outstanding graphic arts ability and professional and congenial service ethic. **Sandra Lewis**, office manager in the Forest Science department, for her outstanding leadership, interpersonal and managerial skills in serving and supporting a diverse departmental environment. **Manuela Huso**, statistician and faculty research assistant in the Forest Science department, for her outstanding contribution to faculty research and for providing patient advice and guidance to graduate students.



John Bliss



Doug Maguire



Kathy Howell



Gretchen Bracher



Barbara Bond,



Sandra Lewis



Jeff Morrell



Manuela Huso

Team award recipients were:

The Forestry Media Center, including Jeff Hino, Mark Reed, Judy Sitton, and David Zahler, in recognition of their leadership in development of highly visible outreach and educational projects. The College of Forestry Dream Team, which drafted the College's new strategic plan; Steve Hobbs, chair; John Bliss, vice-chair; Carol Carlson, Linda Carlson, Mike Cloughesy, Camille Freitag, Beverly Law, Jessica Leahy, Jeff Morrell, John Sessions, Phyllis Casner, and Tom Dowling, honoring their visionary leadership and commitment to the College's future.



Forestry Media Center group photo from display Mark Reed, David Zahler, Jeff Hino, Judy Sitton

Students

Students widen their horizons by studying abroad



Macrina Savko with one of her study subjects, the majestic monarch butterfly.

Macrina Savko, a senior in Forest Management, spent her fall term in southern Mexico in the state of Michoacan, conducting undergraduate research at the Monarch Butterfly Biosphere Reserve. Working with the Monarch Butterfly Model Forest program (part of the International Model Forest Network, a nongovernmental organization), Savko conducted interviews with landowners and toured the private and cooperative forestlands that have been declared a reserve for the monarch butterflies by the government of Mexico. The reserve covers over 60,000 hectares that are home to the migratory butterfly during the late fall and winter. The reserve is forest land, with primarily fir (*Abies religiosa*), and some pine.

Savko was interested in how the reserve status of the land affected the private and communal landowners. In the buffer zone there is limited timber harvest allowed, but in the so-called nuclear zone, where the butterflies are concentrated during hibernation, no harvest is allowed. In addition, the laws that affect the

landowners aren't necessarily scientifically based, says Savko, and their broad nature leads to complications for the landowners.

The major problem facing the people, Savko observed, is the lack of other economic opportunities in the area. "Some of the potential alternative sources of income for the people are trout, honey, mushrooms and tourism.

For Deb Hill, a senior Natural Resources major from Oregon City, going to South Africa was a goal from the time she came to OSU. The second student from OSU to travel to South Africa in the exchange program, Hill is taking forestry classes at the University of Stellenbosch, an hour away from Cape Town. Hill's schedule includes a silviculture class, conservation management, community forestry, and a class on wine.

In addition to academic endeavors, Hill is learning about the culture of South Africa. In a visit to the township of Kayamandi, outside of Stellenbosch, Hill got to see a different side of the country. "We started walking through the township, and the first thing I saw were several women cooking goat heads. Actually severed heads sitting in a bucket covered with flies. The women were blackening the outside of the heads with metal sticks they heated in a fire. We walked through the meat market where chickens were overcrowded in cages, their feathers picked thin, patches of skin showing everywhere."



Deb Hill visits Robben Island, a penal colony where Nelson Mandela was held.

These images will forever be imprinted on Hill's mind. "I wanted to document my experiences here and hopefully share South Africa with others when I get home, but I also wanted to take pictures just for the sake of art. But I was so ashamed of the gross economic inequality between them and me that I never took my camera out and took a single picture." She did document her experience on her web site, which can be seen at www.geocities.com/africadeb2002.

Hill hopes to take what she is learning about community forestry and apply it in her future plans. "I want to work internationally, either with the Peace Corps or a similar organization. I have learned how communities function and how to work with people," said Hill. "I have also learned about the role of the community forester as a facilitator."

—L.R.

Promising techniques showcased at symposium

The last decade of forestry research has identified promising techniques to nurture biodiversity and protect ecosystems while permitting timber harvest. Many of these advances were explored at a major symposium early this spring.

Now the learning will continue in a series of field tours throughout this year. And participants can keep their conversations going through an interactive web page.

It all adds up to a comprehensive educational outreach program called *Silvicultural Options for Sustainable Management of Pacific Northwest Forests: Integrating Research Results into Management*.

The March symposium, which attracted 97 participants, featured 25 speakers, including state forester Jim Brown as keynote speaker. Other experts discussed silvicultural options, economic issues, social attitudes and perceptions, forest health issues, thinning for diversity and timber, impacts on wildlife, harvesting systems, regeneration, watershed

concerns, and many other topics.

"Early results are in from at least a dozen studies over the last 10 years," says Bill Emmingham, silviculturist and professor emeritus in the Department of Forest Science. "It's now clear that we can manage forests for a broader array of plant and animal diversity while still harvesting timber. And in many cases, active management can achieve diversity or other forest goals much more quickly and effectively than just leaving the land alone."

The Silviculture Options program continues with tours of four research sites this spring, demonstrating such things as thinning alternatives to promote diversity, managing forests for timber and other values, managing to aid in forest disease resistance, and conservation of Oregon oaks.

A final forum in November will include the results of these workshops. The Silvicultural Options web site is collecting comprehensive information developed from the project; see <http://outreach.cof.orst.edu/silvopt/>.

Silviculture Options is sponsored by the College, the Cooperative Forest Ecosystem Research Program (CFER), and the Sustainable Forestry Partnership.

—D.S.

Oregon forest law already meets some key certification standards, say College researchers

Oregon forest practices, mandated by state law, often meet or exceed new forest certification standards in some key areas, such as regeneration, fire control, protection of water resources and endangered species, and visual and air quality, according to a new report by a College research team.

The certification systems studied each had areas of difference and emphasis that made them unique. However, these differences seem to be lessening, the researchers say.

"We found that Oregon's forest regulations do go a long way toward meeting certification standards for such things as reforestation and water quality protection, and in some cases are even more detailed," says Paul Adams, professor in the Department of Forest Engineering and a co-investigator on the study. "On the other hand, Oregon regulations mostly deal with individual forest practices, whereas certification generally looks at the entire property and how it's managed as a whole."

Adams and two colleagues, Rick Fletcher (Forest Resources) and Steve Radosevich (Forest Science) compared

legal requirements facing Oregon forest managers with the required performance standards of two leading forest certification systems, those promulgated by the Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) and the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC).

In protecting public assets such as air and water quality, Oregon law generally has more-detailed requirements than either of the certification systems studied. Moreover, the certification systems both require participants to meet or exceed laws. Therefore, Oregon forest operations must meet some higher requirements than certified operations in states or countries with less-rigorous forest practice rules.

Studies like this one, says co-investigator Rick Fletcher, will help Oregon policymakers identify gaps between Oregon's forest practices and those recommended by certification systems.

—D.S.

Fundraising

New and renewed gifts

Wendell O. Walker of Clackamas has established the Walker Family Foundation Fund in Forestry Extension with an endowment of \$20,000. Proceeds from the fund will be used to support the

Master Woodland Manager program, to help develop a certification program for Oregon small-woodland owners, and to support forestry and forest management education for small-woodland owners. Walker is a tree farmer and Master Woodland Manager himself, says development director Marianne Barker, and he

and his wife Barbara are active in the nonindustrial forestry community.

Announcement of the new fund encouraged further giving from Master Woodland Managers, who have increased the fund by more than \$1,000 in support of the program, says Barker. "To my knowledge this is the first endowment the College has received for Extension activities," she says. "We appreciate the Walkers for their farsighted generosity."

The late Clarence Richen '35, a one-time instructor and lifetime supporter of the College of Forestry, made a bequest of about \$36,000 to

Events and Publications

Outreach Education events

Forest Engineers

Introduction to ArcView GIS Applications
in Natural Resources
May 23-24, Corvallis

Industry Leaders & Scientists

Lumber Quality Control
Sept. 16-17, Corvallis

Lumber Quality Leadership
Sept. 18-19, Corvallis

Pacific Rim Bio-Based Composites
symposium
Nov. 10-13, Portland

Professional Foresters

Tree Farm Certifier Training
June 6, Coos Bay

Changing the Scale of Our Thinking
Symposium
June 10, Corvallis

Managing Oak and Oak Woodlands
June 11-12, Corvallis

Silviculture for Diverse Forest Structures
Workshop
June 24 - 28, Sisters

Silviculture Shortcourse
July 15-26, Corvallis

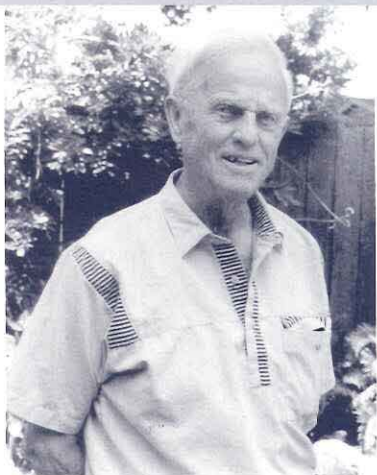
Establishment and Management of Forest
Trees in the Willamette Valley
Sept. 12-13, Corvallis

Innovations in Species Conservation:
Integrative Approaches to Address
Rarity and Risks
Sept. 30-Oct 2, Corvallis

Fire in the Forest: Current Risks and
Opportunities in Oregon Forests
Oct. 23-24, Bend

Teachers

Oregon Forest Institute for Teachers
August 11-16, Mehama



Clarence Richen at home in
1998

endow a scholarship. Details of the Clarence W. Richen Scholarship Fund are still being discussed with Richen's family. Friends and colleagues are invited to contribute to the fund. Please contact Marianne Barker, development director for the College, 1-800-354-7281, or send contributions to OSU Foundation, 850 SW 35th St., Corvallis, OR 97333. Make contributions payable to OSU Foundation and indicate your wish that it be deposited to the Richen Fund.

Agnes Wylie has given \$10,000 to endow a scholarship in memory of her husband, **John Wylie '49**. The John E. Wylie Memorial Scholarship Fund will support students in the College of Forestry who show scholarship ability, professional potential, and interest in pursuing a forestry-related career. John

Wylie worked 37 years for the Missouri Department of Conservation, where he organized and directed its natural history division. He helped establish the Missouri Native Plant Society and the Conservation Department's nature centers around the state. He was a pioneer in eastern bluebird protection, barn owl restoration, prairie preservation, and walnut tree management. He was a Fellow in the Society of American Foresters.

Rick Strachan '78 and the **Gibbet Hill Foundation** continue their ongoing annual support of the Lee Harris Computer Laboratory with a \$30,500 gift. The Harris Lab was established in 1992 in memory of Lee Harris, a college friend of Strachan's who died in 1979. Rick Strachan and the Gibbet Hill Foundation have also continued support of the Forest Engineering Department with a recent

gift of \$87,500. Strachan is a member of the Gibbet Hill Foundation's board of directors.

The **Eula M. TenEyck Forest Engineering Scholarship** is now an endowment, thanks to a gift of property in Hawaii and other assets from **Roswell TenEyck '51**, given in memory of his late wife. TenEyck has been a faithful and generous donor to the Department of Forest Engineering over the past several years, says department head Steve Tesch. "He would come over from Hawaii every year or so, and he'd bring us a generous contribution and a gift of macadamia nuts." The TenEyck Scholarship is given to Forest Engineering students who are sophomores and above and who demonstrate good academic performance and the commitment and potential for a successful career in forest engineering or industrial forestry.