

Community Forestry Resource Center

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News and Event Summary

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This week we would like to call special attention to the publication of a book by one of our long time supporters and collaborators, Peter Bundy. You can read about his book [The Wild Garden](#) in the publications section. Peter will also be giving a presentation at the [Great River Regional Library in Long Prairie, MN](#) on February 25 (more information in the Events section).

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News

Waging war on the ash borer (Minn.)

SOUTH WASHINGTON COUNTY BULLETIN

Between 50 and 150 ash trees to be removed each year under plan to battle the invading emerald ash borer <http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=107202>

Local Tree Service Uses Horsepower

GREENWOOD TODAY

When one thinks of heavy duty equipment, the first thing that comes to mind is bulldozers, tractors, and forklifts. For Mike Waters and Ace Tree Service here in Greenwood, it's all about horsepower. <http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=107204>

Chewed Out

NATIONAL PARKS CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION

An invasive plant called tamarisk has been killing off cottonwoods and destroying river habitat for decades. Now park rangers are hoping a beetle can turn the tide <http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=107198>

Oregon bans sale of English ivy, butterfly bushes

THE OREGONIAN

Sandy Diedrich would be clacking her loppers in approval. The Oregon Department of Agriculture announced Wednesday it is banning the sale, transport or propagation of English ivy, a creeping scourge that threatens to smother much of the late Diedrich's beloved Forest Park. <http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=107199>

Seeing the forest for the test-tube trees

MONGABAY.COM

Paper manufacturers and environmentalists seem to be reliving Robert Frost's age-old dilemma caused by two roads diverging in the woods. <http://forestrycenter.org/headlines.cfm?refID=107212>

Save a Tree, Play Rock and Roll? (Opinion piece)

ABC NEWS

New Tech Turns Beetle Against Beetle, Prevents Beetles From Killing Host Trees

<http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=107203>

Forests Can't Fight Climate Change (Opinion piece)

NORTHERN WOODLANDS

Here's an important point to make for those of you deeply concerned about climate change:

We're not going to solve the problem by promoting forest growth.

<http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=107206>

Events

Winter Tree Identification

FEBRUARY 20, 2010, DULUTH, MN

In order to care for your woodland the best way possible, plant identification skills are essentials. Learn the tools to help you identify Minnesota's trees and shrubs in the winter.

For more information, please contact Boulder Lake Environmental Learning Center at 218-721-3731 or boulder@d.umn.edu, or visit

[http://forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=107207&categoryID=.](http://forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=107207&categoryID=)

Winter Blizzard Blast – Horse Logging Demonstration

FEBRUARY 20, 2010, MARINE ON ST. CROIX, MN

Celebrate winter at our fifth annual winter celebration for all ages! Join us for a special afternoon when Warner Nature Center partners with Cedar River Horse Logging to bring you fun activities including hiking on our snow-covered trails, winter animal tracking, quinzhee building, horse logging demonstrations, and under-ice viewing.

For more information, please Julie Grecian at 651.433.2427, ext 12, or visit

[http://forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=107208&categoryID=.](http://forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=107208&categoryID=)

Seminar: Getting Help With Land Management

FEBRUARY 20, 2010, SENECA, WI

A program on Saturday, February 20, 10:00 am at the County Highway shop south of Seneca, will familiarize landowners with the programs and organizations available to help them accomplish their objectives for natural areas on their properties.

For more information, contact Lila Marmel at 608-624-5269 or sunmoon@mwt.net, or visit

[http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=107167&categoryID=.](http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=107167&categoryID=)

Windstorms and Fire: Ecology in the North Woods

FEBRUARY 25, 2010, LONG PRAIRIE, MN

Peter Bundy, a forestry consultant and author, writes books which are lyrical, practical, and filled with insight into environmentalism. Bundy will be reading excerpts from his books "The Wild Garden" and "Finding the Forest" and examining our feelings about forests.

For more information, visit

<http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=107209&categoryID=>.

Introduction to Prescribed Fire

MARCH 25-26, 2010, BARABOO, WI

This two-day course will cover the ecology of fire, fire behavior principles, and the elements of fire management planning, all particularly focused on prairie and savanna ecosystems.

Participants will operate basic fire management tools, view the layout and preparation of a fire unit, and, weather permitting, conduct several real burns.

For more information, contact Alanna Koshollek at 608-355-0279 ext. 30 or

alanna@aldoleopold.org, or visit

<http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=107169&categoryID=>.

Birding the Important Bird Area

MAY 8, 2010, BARABOO, WI

Come experience the ornithological diversity of the Leopold–Pine Island Important Bird Area!

Learn to identify birds by sound, and develop your understanding of bird/habitat relationships.

We'll start with a short outdoor listening session early in the morning, then head to the classroom to learn bird identification by sight and sound, connect birds to specific habitat types, and discuss conservation and management for the habitats and/or the birds.

For more information, contact Alanna Koshollek at (608) 355-0279, x.30 or

alanna@aldoleopold.org, or visit

<http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=107170&categoryID=>

Information

Summer Internships with the Madison Audubon Society

>From the Faville Grove Sanctuary Web site: "As an intern in this supervised practical experience, you will spend the summer in the field where you will learn by doing a number of tasks in broad-scale landscape restoration and management, including work in prairie, savanna, woodland, and wetland habitats. The primary focus of activities is the control of invasive species, but some time will be spent on seed collecting and endangered species monitoring. The internship will give you the opportunity to become familiar with both native and alien plants and to learn about their life cycles and ecological requirements; to observe what natural conditions and processes have been altered in a landscape; and to gain an understanding of restoration and management goals and objectives. Interns work in small groups at sites within 30 miles of Madison. Two teams will be hired for the summer of 2010: one to work at Madison Audubon's

Faville Grove Sanctuary east of Madison, and one to work at several sites north and west of Madison. Applicants will be considered for both teams unless otherwise requested."

For more information, visit

<http://madisonaudubon.org/audubon/sanctuaries/favillegrove/summer-internships.asp>.

Publications

***The Wild Garden*, by Peter Bundy**

Peter is a writer and forester. When he isn't working quietly with words, he spends his time as a consultant helping landowners and land managers restore the health of their forestlands. This is a passion, as well as a livelihood, and both of his books, *Finding the Forest* and *The Wild Garden* share stories from this woods experience.

We encourage you to learn more about his most recent book by visiting:

<http://masconomo.com/publications.php>. You can also listen to an interview about the book from KAXE with Peter Bundy at <http://masconomo.com/KAXEInterview.mov> (please note that it may take a few moments to load).

Wood products and carbon storage (report)

>From the report: "Global discussions around climate change recognize the critical importance of maintaining land-based carbon sinks as part of a comprehensive policy to address this burgeoning crisis. Internationally, the first priority is to protect the tropical rainforests that are the true champions of carbon sequestration. Within the United States, the temperate rainforests of the Pacific Northwest and southeast Alaska serve as our own carbon storage champions. But other forests found across the country also play a significant role in the climate equation."

Read the report at: [http://www.eoearth.org/article/Wood_products_and_carbon_storage_\(report\)](http://www.eoearth.org/article/Wood_products_and_carbon_storage_(report)).

CFRC Newsletter Available Now!

The new edition of the Community Forestry Connections newsletter is now available on the forestrycenter.org Web site as a PDF file for download. In the fall 2009 issue you can get recent updates on the work that the Community Forestry Resource Center has been supporting, including: a habitat restoration and bioenergy program, a bird-friendly forestry project, Emerald Ash Borer in Minnesota and Wisconsin, the Wisconsin BMP's for invasive species and an update on the CFRC forest certification program. Download the newsletter at <http://www.forestrycenter.org/library.cfm?refID=106828>.

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work of advocating for fair and sustainable food, farm and trade systems. Your support is greatly appreciated!

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