Greetings OSWA members, families and friends! Spring-Summer 2012 (May, June, July)

Our Annual Meeting is first! May 19th 2012 Please make plans to attend

This is a Saturday and OUR ANNUAL MEETING will be held from noon till 2pm at the Scottish Rite Temple at 4090 Commercial St. SE, Salem; this is just south of the Browning Road traffic light and McDonalds. The accommodations are spacious and the ham dinner will be worth taking home. (vegetarian or other needs will be available) Total cost per person is just $5, as our chapter will pick up the rest. This year PLEASE bring friends who may have forestland or an interest in OSWA and our chapter will also cover all but $5 of the meal cost for your guests. Come in, drop $5 in the hat, grab a raffle ticket and welcome to our premiere event!

Speakers, Food, Door Prizes, Great Company

Guest Speakers: Neil Schroeder and Scott Zimmerman, of the Oregon Woodlands Cooperative; will give us a presentation on Marketing your Forest Products!

- Log Market Report, Terry Lamers. Are things are looking up?
- Treasurer’s Report, Diana Blair. Must be OK, we are helping with lunch
- Election of officers. Nominations sought, appoint your buddy.
- Truffles and Trespass, Terry Lamers. What we may not know we have.
- Membership Report, Gene and Lynette Henshaw, on our efforts at the state and chapter level to keep our organization and it’s membership growing.

Other events this quarter!
On June 2nd  The WOW network (Women Owning Woodlands) is having an event hosted by Terry Lamers, addressing chainsaw maintenance and use, at the Lamers’s property SW of Monmouth. The address is 11300 Monmouth Hwy. From light on 99W, go West on Main, South on Whitman, turns into Monmouth Hwy. approximately ¾ of a mile west of town, driveway is south, or left off the Hwy as you climb a hill, and is almost a mile long. Look for OSWA signs.

9 AM Chainsaws, their safe use, maintenance and how to make them cut optimally. Terry will demonstrate “kickback” and will have a variety of safety gear for you to handle so everyone can learn something. Bring a saw or two, as this will be a “hands on” event.

12 or so, lunch  Bring your own. There is a refrigerator in the shop for your lunch storage.

1 PM Tour of Lamers Forests Ltd. Plantations as old as 38 years, logging projects from past years and successful reforestation that followed those harvests. Ponds, Coast Redwood, Western Red Cedar, firewood selling (they’ve sold over 15,000 cords!) logging methods and machines. You may attend the saw class or the tour or both. Bring another chainsaw operator or forest owner!

June 21st -23rd Our state OSWA annual meeting will be held in Forest Grove, at Pacific Univ. See www.oswa.org for details, or read more in our OSWA update and Western Woodlands Magazine.

On June 30, a Saturday we will have a van tour to the Valley of the Giants! This doesn’t happen very often, and is sadly missed by those that do. This is a truly special 40 acre grove of trees, with- let’s see- lots of really big trees! Nothing short of the Redwoods can touch if for sheer size and majesty. We need RSVP’s so that we know if we need 1, 2 or 3 vans! We will pick up riders in Salem and Monmouth, like we did last quarter for the Hull Oakes tour, and there will be a $10 charge for members, $20 for non-members. This is an all day tour, so please bring your lunch and appropriate clothing for a nice hike. Call Forest Dan at 503 876 4488 right away with your rsvp!

On July 21st, a Saturday, there will be a demonstration and workshop on two aspects of herbicide use at Bob Feldman’s place in the Eola Hills of NW Salem. Terry Lamers will lead a demonstration on the use of herbicides for the control of big-leaf maple. John Westall will lead a hands-on workshop on the calibration of back-pack sprayers for broadcast application of herbicides. The calibration workshop will focus on the use of the sprayer itself, but not on the selection of herbicide for a particular situation. Bring your (empty and clean) back-pack sprayer and a pocket calculator (if you have one); water will be available. Meet at the Feldman Tree Farm at 9am, event lasts until noon. from Rickreall go north 99W about 8 miles to flashing light at McCoy-Lincoln, turn right, go about 3 miles to Bethel Hts road, left on Bethel Hts 1 mile, we are on right. from McMinnville go through Amity about 6 miles turn left at flashing light at McCoy-Lincoln go about 3 miles to Bethel Hts, take a left and go one mile. from Salem cross Marion street bridge, right onto hwy 221-Wallace road, 4 or 5 miles to Lincoln store, turn left on Zena road, go 4 miles to Bethel Hts, turn right onto Bethel Hts, go one mile and we are on right. The address is 5930 Bethel Heights Rd and there is a good size Feldman Tree Farm sign.