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Good Morning, Sunshine!

Last year, as Beth and I traveled the state for either our regional meetings or for the Faces of Forestry project, we'd start our day pretty early. So, invariably at some o'dark-thirty-hour, I'd get a call or text from Beth, usually, "Good morning, Sunshine. Time to get going!". For all I knew, she'd been up and going for hours.

As I think about it, "Good morning, Sunshine!" isn't a bad metaphor for spring, probably much more welcomed by all of us than my "get out bed" exhortation by Beth. After a long winter, we're all ready for some sunshine and warm weather.

But it's also not a bad way to describe a resurgent MFA. For several years, MFA had been in kind of a holding pattern—still in existence but without much spark to keep it lively and engaged. I think we've turned that corner now, with an organization poised to lead our effort to increase our visibility and influence in

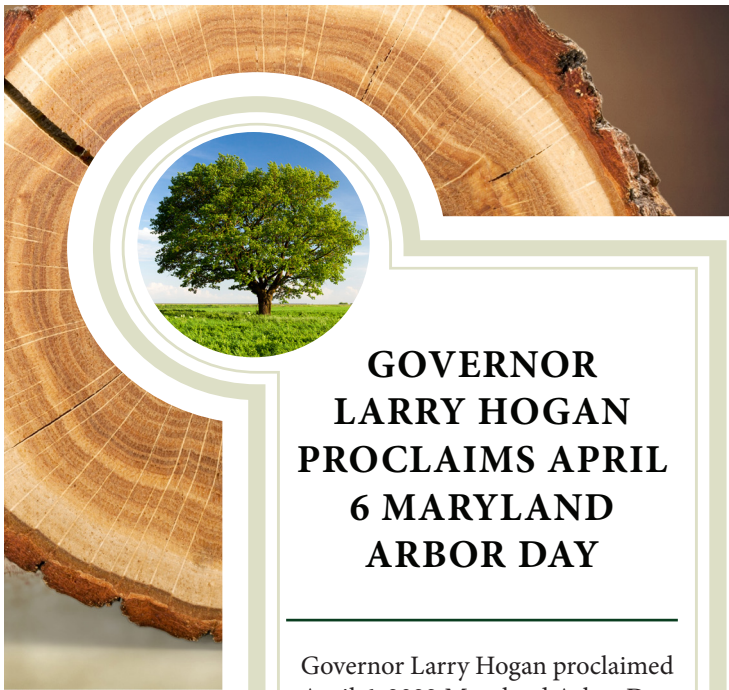
Maryland. We've seen some challenges—loss of markets with no recognition of the economic or forestry impacts, continued attacks on our future ability to benefit from renewable wood energy, along with some blatant efforts to reduce logging on state forests.

This year, however, we've had some major victories in which MFA, together with numerous partners, led the charge. We rebuffed an effort to eliminate "renewable energy credit" for biomass, authorized a program to assure firewood dry kilns meet standards for pest control since USDA is dropping this function, secured a \$1 million permanent appropriation for the Mel Noland Woodland Incentive Fund and paved the way for a wood energy project in Western Maryland. We also successfully amended a bill that would have imposed unnecessary "old growth" protections on state forests and even some private lands. A pretty good record, really.



At this point, we've laid a good foundation for effective communications with opinion leaders and policymakers through our "Faces of Forestry" project and "Maryland's Forests" booklet. We'll concentrate on building upon that base now that we can finally have tours and meetings again. We're also going to concentrate on building our membership base and financial resources, so we're better equipped to handle the inevitable future challenges. So, yes, you can expect your own "Good morning, Sunshine!" letter soon asking for your help and support in meeting these goals for the coming year.

"Good morning, Sunshine!". When you think about it, not really a bad way to wake up, I guess.



GOVERNOR LARRY HOGAN PROCLAIMS APRIL 6 MARYLAND ARBOR DAY

Governor Larry Hogan proclaimed April 6, 2022 Maryland Arbor Day, marking the 150th anniversary of National Arbor Day, celebrated the last Friday of April each year, and the 139th Maryland Arbor Day, celebrated the first Wednesday of April.

“Arbor Day is a great reminder of the importance of Maryland’s forest lands and the importance of planting trees,” said Governor Hogan. “Our state is proud of the small businesses that support our economy by engaging in natural resources-based industries. We also recognize the important role the hard work and dedication of the Maryland Forest Service in ensuring Maryland’s forests remain a point of pride.”

Resuming an annual tradition that was on hold during the pandemic, Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Secretary Jeannie Haddaway-Riccio honored Maryland Arbor Day by presenting tree seedlings grown at the state nursery in Caroline County to the members of the Board of Public Works – Governor Hogan, Comptroller Peter Franchot, and state Treasurer Dereck E. Davis.

<https://news.maryland.gov/dnr/2022/04/06/governor-larry-hogan-proclaims-april-6-maryland-arbor-day/>

Maryland Arbor Day Poster Contest Winners Announced

Fifth-grade students who submitted Arbor Day posters to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources had their work judged today by a panel of forestry experts and a special guest judge, Maryland First Lady Yumi Hogan, who is an accomplished artist and adjunct professor at Maryland Institute College of Art.

The posters were created using varied artistic techniques, including colored pencils, crayons, markers and paint, all illustrating this year’s contest theme, “Trees are Terrific...and Maryland Forests are Too.”

Original artwork focused on trees cleaning the air, creating shade and generally contributing to healthy outdoor living.

“It is an honor to participate in this annual event, highlighting the artistic talents of Maryland’s school children, and celebrating our environment and the trees that call it home,” said First Lady Yumi Hogan, who has served as a guest judge each year since 2018.



1st Place: The first-place winner is Camden Steiner from Bel Air, Harford County. Camden’s school will receive a prize of 15 trees.

2nd Place: Aryn Brooks From Waldorf, Charles County. Aryn’s school will receive 10 trees for planting.

3rd Place: Alexis Horichs from Westminster, Carroll County. Alexis’ school will receive five trees.

“Our Arbor Day Poster Contest provides a great opportunity for Maryland’s 5th grade students to learn about the importance of

our forests while recognizing their artistic talents,” Natural Resources Secretary Jeannie Haddaway-Riccio said. “I am always impressed with the quality of their work which demonstrates that they will be good stewards of our natural resources for years to come.”

The Maryland Forest Service accepted hundreds of entries for the 2022 Arbor Day Poster Contest. Previously selected winners from each participating county were then forwarded for judging by the volunteer Maryland Urban and Community Forest Committee.

The Arbor Day Poster Contest is hosted annually by the department’s Tree-Mendous Maryland Program. All winning poster entries along with photos from the contest judging are posted online: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/marylanddnr/albums/72177720296780755>



Judges of the 2022 Fifth Grade Arbor Day Poster Contest stand with the top three prize winners. Photo by Joe Andrucyk, Maryland State House.



Executive Director’s Message

Beth Hill, beth@mdforests.org

Now that session is over and we’ve celebrated our victories, its time to regroup and focus our efforts on the challenges we faced because of poor forest literacy.

The “old growth” and “irreplaceable areas” bills were of great concern to us and could have tremendous impacts on forest health. I think that often times these types of bills truly start off with good intentions however locking up forests is not so clear cut (pun intended).

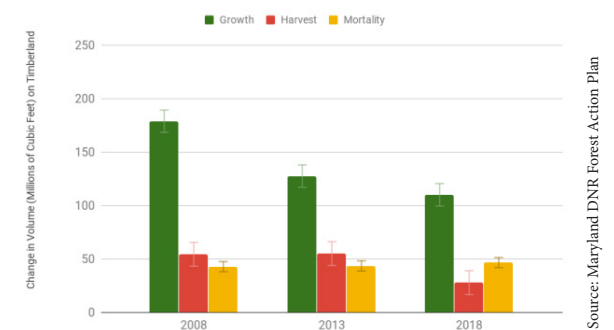
Forests are dynamic, not static, ecosystems. Anti-logging policy measures would force us to walk away from our forests and hope that insects, disease, mortality, and catastrophic wildfires don’t destroy the resources, wildlife, and communities that we all care about and are trying to protect.

Forests are essential to removing climate pollution, sequestering carbon, safeguarding wildlife, and providing clean air and water. These are all points that we can agree on and where MFA can serve to further the conversation with outreach and education that promotes sustainable forest management. We’ve already seen the results of what happens when we don’t manage our forests. The 10-year snapshot chart shows that as timber harvesting in Maryland decreased, growth also decreased, and tree mortality increased! Overstocked and dying forests are not healthy or providing their maximum benefits to society. Over 40% of state-owned forestland is already considered reserved from harvesting. Further restrictions make little sense considering the scientifically proven benefits that good silviculture provides. Rest assured that MFA will continue to rally for working forests rather than setting aside more public land from forest management. A better option is to maintain the cycle of forestry- the continuous planting, growing, and harvesting- that results in having a mosaic of age classes on the landscape that provides biodiversity and discourages the conversion of forests to non-forests

I know that I’m preaching the choir here, but these issues affect where you live, work, and play! If you are already a member of MFA, we thank you for your support, it helps us achieve our mission. Please encourage others in the forest community to join, so our organization can continue to grow. Be expecting an announcement naming the Logger or the Year very soon!

With Gratitude,
Beth

According to the Maryland DNR 2020 FAP Resource Assessment, “Forest health concerns are expanding as many forests age, combined with continued new introductions of invasive, exotic pests, such as the emerald ash borer and spotted lantern fly. Gypsy moth (exotic) and southern pine beetle (native) continue to pose significant risks of interacting with seasonal weather, biocontrol organisms, and drought stress.”



Maryland Spring Turkey Season 2022

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) announces that the statewide spring turkey season kicked off April 16. For the first part of the regular hunting season, April 18 through May 9, hunting is allowed from one half-hour before sunrise until noon. Throughout the rest of the season, May 10 through May 23, hunting hours are one half-hour before sunrise until sunset.

The daily bag limit for the spring season is one bearded turkey, with a season bag limit of two bearded turkeys. Hunting is permitted on Sundays in certain counties. Complete regulations, including Sunday hunting dates and check-in procedures can be found online: <https://www.eregulations.com/maryland/hunting/turkey-seasons-limits>

Upcoming Events

SPRING TURKEY SEASON
April 18-May 23

**MARYLAND SUSTAINABLE
FORESTRY COUNCIL
MEETING**

Tuesday, May 3, 2022
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

DNR, Tawes State Office
Building, Annapolis MD

**DELAWARE WILDLANDS
WOOD DUCK PROGRAM**
May 16, 2022 9:00AM

Delaware Wild Lands, Inc.

More information at:
<https://lower-shore-land-trust.networkforgood.com/events/41796-delaware-wild-lands-wood-duck-program>

EXPO RICHMOND 2022
May 20-21, 2022

Richmond Raceway Complex

Register at:
www.prereg.net/2022/vfpa/

**2022 MARYLAND
LAND CONSERVATION
CONFERENCE**
June 1-2, 2022

Chesapeake Bay Beach Club
Kent Island, MD

Register at:
<https://forevermaryland.org/2022-mlcc>

**MID-ATLANTIC WILDFIRE
TRAINING ACADEMY**
June 6-10, 2022

Last Day to Register: April 29

For more information contact:
fireacademy@garrettcollege.edu
or call 301-387-3771

Open Positions with the Maryland Forest Service



In a quest to plant 5 million trees over 9 years for the Tree Solutions Now Act of 2021, the MD Department of Natural Resources Forest Service is looking for a diversity of talent to help our cities and communities get thousands of trees in the ground. Positions are available across the state in rural and urban settings. Work will include outreach, planning, working with volunteers and other groups, tree planting, tree maintenance and survival assessments, and tree seed collection/ tree nursery assistance. We are looking for individuals with enthusiasm for nature-based solutions for communities of all sizes. Tree identification and planting training will be provided to the 5 Million Trees Team!

For more information: Send an email to JOIN5MTTeam.DNR@maryland.gov or search “State of Maryland job openings”

Delmarva Woodland Stewards for Wildlife, Wildfire, Water, and Wood



Loblolly pine stand following thinning for wildlife habitat on Chesapeake Forest Lands in Wicomico County.

The purpose of this US Forest Service Landscape Scale Restoration Grant is to demonstrate, educate, and provide outreach that will enhance forest and wildlife management practices, promote the ecological benefits of prescribed fire, pursue tree planting opportunities for water quality, and highlight the need for low grade/biomass markets in forest restoration and forest health on the Delmarva Peninsula.

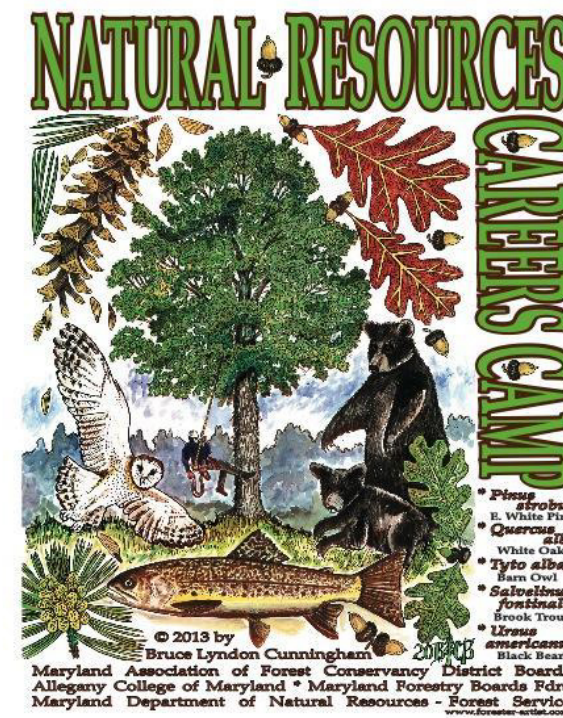
This grant creates the Delmarva Woodland Stewards Program and provides direct training and outreach to landowners and volunteers who want to learn more about and how to implement forest and wildlife management practices. The program will be taught in the Fall of 2022 and again in the Fall of 2023.

The Delmarva Peninsula is home to a wide host of animals and plants species that are either in decline or are rare and

threatened. These include bobwhite quail, woodcock, and Delmarva Fox Squirrel to name a few. Thinning the forest provides low grade material to biomass and pulp markets while improving the health of the forest and improving the wildlife habitat. The project reaches across state lines to Delaware and Virginia, and coordinates expertise from wildlife, forestry, fire ecology to better inform landowners interested in managing for wildlife on their woodlands.

In addition to the DWS landowner program, the grant will specifically be looking to create a demonstration network of existing wildlife practices so that the public can see this work in progress; increase the number of prescribed burns on private land and provide a prescribed burning workshop, increase tree planting in areas that need better buffers, improve landowner outreach on social media, analyze policy for low grade markets and biomass, create better maps to show interconnectedness of wildlife habitat on the landscape, and amplify shared stewardship in the states on Delmarva.

If you would like more information on Delmarva Woodland Stewards, please contact Matthew Hurd at matthew.hurd@maryland.gov.



This co-educational camp provides an opportunity for high school students interested in a career in Natural Resources to learn from industry professionals and develop contacts for future employment and a career in natural resources.

Natural resource professionals have developed the extensive and relevant curriculum such as:

- Arboriculture
Activities include: tree climbing and tree pruning.
- Fisheries
Activities include: fish-shocking and macroinvertebrate sampling in a stream.
- Forest Software
Activities include: usage of professional grade Global Positioning System equipment and Geographic Information System software to create maps.
- Forestry
Activities include: tree identification and soil sampling.
- Land Management
Activities include: development and presentation of a real forest management plan.
- Wildland Fire Suppression
Activities include: truck, equipment, and safety demonstrations by certified wildland firefighters.
- Wildlife Biology
Activities include: guest speakers from Maryland DNR, area colleges, and organizations (some include live animals).
- Wood Products
Activities include: tour of working sawmill and chainsaw demo.
- Career and College Nights
Activities include: discussions with field professionals (DNR, NR Police, consultants, procurers, biologists, etc.) and representatives from top regional college natural resource programs.

If you are looking for a way to support NRCC, MFA accepts donations to help fund the camp annually.

APPLY NOW! Visit www.marylandforestryfoundation.org.

Natural Resources Career Camp (NRCC)

Sun, July 24 - Sat, July 30, 2022

Applications for NRCC 2022 are now being accepted. We are planning to go forward with the 2022 camp.

Join high school students from across Maryland at this week-long camp in Garrett County to explore careers and college studies in natural resources.

The Forestry Boards are responsible for recruiting two students from their counties, interviewing, and providing partial scholarships.

Students who have reached the age of 16 by the first day of Natural Resources Career Camp week may choose to earn two college credits from Allegany College of Maryland by attending the entire week and complete an exam. The credits will transfer to most community colleges in Maryland and several four year colleges and universities.

Upcoming Events

MARYLAND 4-H FOREST EXPLORATION PROGRAM March-June 2022

Maryland 4-H is looking for youth who are interested in exploring the state's forests and learning how to conserve our natural resources.

Contact: Amy Lang at
amlang@umd.edu or
301-934-5403

NATURAL RESOURCES CAREERS CAMP (NRCC) July 24-July 30, 2022

Join high school students from across Maryland at this week-long camp in Garrett County to explore careers and college studies in natural resources.

More info at:
<https://marylandforestryfoundation.org/index.cfm?event=nrcc>

2022 MARYLAND NATURAL RESOURCE PHOTO CONTEST Deadline Aug 1

More info:
<https://dnr.maryland.gov/Pages/photocontest.aspx>

DICK STANFIELD SCHOLARSHIP

Application deadline Aug 31

2022 SAF NATIONAL CONVENTION September 20-24, 2022 Baltimore, MD

More information:
www.eforester.org/Safconvention/

Legislative Wrap-Up

The 444th session of the General Assembly convened in Annapolis from January 12 to April 11, 2022.

By working with numerous partners to support, oppose and offer amendments to bills that impact our members, the Maryland Forests Association met all of our 2022 Legislative Goals:

- MAINTAINING AND EXPANDING MARKETS FOR WOOD PRODUCTS
- FINDING INCENTIVES FOR FOREST LANDOWNERS AND FOREST PRODUCT OPERATIONS
- INCREASING AWARENESS OF THE BENEFITS OF SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY
- PROMOTING MFA AS A RESOURCE ON ALL FORESTRY ISSUES

Bills Supported by MFA:



SB903/HB1085: Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard- Qualifying Biomass and Thermal Biomass Systems- Clarifies the definition of "qualifying biomass" within the RPS, making clear that wood is a standalone fuel that qualifies for TRECS. **FAILED**



SB791/HB1031: Natural Resource- Land Conservation- Establishment of Goals and Programs (Maryland the Beautiful Act) -Sets conservation goals and provides \$1 million annually for the Mel Noland Fund. This bill **FAILED**, but the funding was secured via SB541: Great Maryland Outdoors Act. **PASSED**



SB695/HB1140: Natural Resource- Voluntary Firewood Treatment Certification Program -Authorizes a voluntary program for DNR to certify dry kiln operations for firewood are adequate to meet state and federal pest control standards. USDA currently provides the certification but is backing away from the program. No agency in Maryland currently has the authority to certify, making shipping wood into states with formal control programs difficult. **PASSED**



SB378/HB646:Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland- Funding for Southern Maryland Agricultural Development Commission- Provides for continued funding for SMADC from the Cigarette Restitution Fund. SMADC has been a critical partner in promoting working forests' economic and environmental benefits. **PASSED**



SB348/HB643: Conservation Finance Act Encourages voluntary carbon markets and other pay- for-success contracts. **PASSED**



SB582: Natural Resource- Recreation on Private Land- Hunting Lessens landowner liability for invitees (with or without charge) using the land for hunting. **PASSED**



LOOA: MDA Budget Provides funding for the Rural Maryland Council and MARBIDCO's "Wippie" program. Grant funding from RMC has been critical in rebuilding MFA. MARBIDCO's program is helping to rebuild the forestry sector. **PASSED**

BILLS OPPOSED BY MFA:

HB11: Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard- Tier 1 Renewable Source- Alterations (Reclaim Renewable Energy Act of 2022) Completely removes woody biomass from the RPS. We feel that wood, a renewable resource deserves a place in the RPS as it can help reach environmental goals, displace fossil fuels, maintain forest stands, and increase utilization. MFA formed a coalition to support wood energy and had 30+organizations sign on to our opposition letter. **WITHDRAWN**

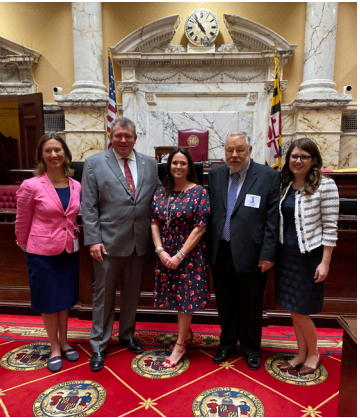


HB884: State Conservation Land- Old-Growth Forests- Protection Codifies measures prohibiting logging in "old growth" forests on state lands. Maryland has the largest percentage of trees over 100 years old in the entire northeast. According to DNR's latest Forest Action Plan, 41% of the publically owned land is reserved from harvesting. Therefore, we feel adequate protection is already in place. The bill initially included eased land funded by POS, but we worked with the sponsor to remove private land and State Forests. There was also an amendment to allow for harvesting when forest health was in question. **PASSED WITH OUR AMENDMENTS**

SB783/HB596: Constitutional Amendment- Environmental Rights- Forestry is often misunderstood. We fear that giving Maryland citizens the right to intervene will interfere with an already lengthy permitting process. **DIED IN COMMITTEE**



HB784- Department of Natural Resources- Irreplaceable Natural Areas- Establishment DNR would have to publically map areas and adopt regulations establishing management objectives for irreplaceable areas. We argue that every inch of state-owned land already has a designation in place and that the subjective terms of the bill would only add a layer of confusion to the management plans already in place. There are many instances in which silvicultural practices can benefit rare and endangered species. Therefore, we offered an amendment for the Sustainable Forestry Council to participate in the review process. The amendment was not accepted, but MFA will continue to work to ensure that forestry has a voice at the table. **PASSED**



L-R Senator Katie Hester-Fry, Senator Jack Bailey, Beth Hill, Joe Hinson, Senator Sarah Elfreth



MFA handed these goodies out to legislators at RMC's Maryland Day. Did you know that when you choose Reese's cups, you are supporting Maryland forests? How? Those black paper wrappers and cardboard trays are sourced from Maryland wood. Eat up, buttercup!



Celebrating Success. Planning for Change.
June 1 & 2, 2022 Kent Island, Maryland

Forever Maryland proudly announces the 2022 Maryland Land Conservation Conference. The conference, themed "Celebrating Success. Planning for Change.," will be held on June 1-2, 2022 at Chesapeake Bay Beach Club in Kent Island, and offers 70+ of local, regional, and national speakers.

Conference sessions include a keynote address from award-winning horticulturalist, landscape designer and author, Rick Darke, a live Gubernatorial Forum, and multiple legislative updates from current state senators and legislative representatives. Other highlights include local farm co-op tour, drone demonstrations, climate photo display, waterfront networking reception and much more.

Conference registration is available at: <https://forevermaryland.org/2022-mlcc>



OSHA NEP for Heat Related Injuries

On April 12, the Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) announced a program that would proactively initiate inspections of targeted industries. As part of the National Emphasis Program, OSHA will proactively initiate inspections of over 70 high-risk industries in indoor and outdoor work settings when the National Weather Service has issued a heat warning or advisory for a local area. On days when the heat index is 80 F or higher, OSHA inspectors and compliance assistance specialists will engage in proactive outreach and technical assistance to help stakeholders keep workers safe on the job. Included in the 70 targeted industries are Sawmills, Wood Preservation, and Paper Product Merchant Wholesalers. In a separate effort, OSHA is developing a proposed rule that will address work-related heat injuries.

FRA provided comment on the advanced notice of public rulemaking that encouraged OSHA to allow states to determine whether a heat standard is needed in response to specific weather and workplace conditions. States that currently have heat standards are Minnesota, California, and Washington.

Introducing MFA's Newest Board Members



Tom Johnson, Eastern Shore Forest Products

A native of the Eastern Shore, Tom Johnson started his career in the forest industry selling firewood out of the back of his dad's pickup. Now, with mills in Maryland, Delaware and Texas, Eastern Shore Forest Products is the largest forest products company in Maryland. Tom's company produces wood shavings for animal bedding, energy pellets, mulch and a variety of specialty soils. And, yes, he still produces and sells firewood—about a million bundles a year.



Danny Sines, Generation III Logging

Danny is an owner at Generation III Logging and the President of the Mountain Loggers Group. He is also an owner at Sines Family Farm in Garrett County MD, where he resides with his wife Judy and enjoys spending quality time with his family raising Registered Black Angus cattle. Danny cares about the health of our forests, dedicating his time to the development of sustainable logging practices in the timber industry. His focus is on the future, and he feels that finding new markets is key to creating healthy forests for the next generation of loggers. Danny looks forward sharing his perspective as a member of the MFA board of directors to advance forestry in Maryland.



Philip Gottwals ACDS LLC

Philip is the Managing Member of ACDS, LLC and an economic development planner with 27 years of experience working in rural and resource-based economies. His recent projects include strategic and business planning for public and private sector clients in Maryland and Virginia; regional studies of food marketing systems in Pennsylvania, New York, and Maryland; and the redesign of several urban food marketing systems, including work in New York City, Baltimore, Maryland, and Columbia, South Carolina. Over the last decade, Mr. Gottwals has assisted clients in raising over \$700 million in project financing for agricultural and food related projects. Philip is an adjunct professor at the University of Maryland College of Agriculture and Natural Resources where he teaches special topics related to the economics of local agriculture. Philip is also an instructor of entrepreneurship in resource-based industries and co-author of "Tilling the Soil of Opportunity."



Your Membership Matters!

The Maryland Forests Association relies on the support of our members and sponsors to fund our organization and allow us to be the voice for Maryland forestry. **Please help make 2022 another successful year for membership!**

We are counting on you to renew your membership and ask that you invite your friends, family and colleagues to join us as a collective voice for Maryland forestry. Last year, your contributions helped us boost our scholarship, career camp, and general funds. Help us exceed our 2022 goals and consider a contribution in addition to your membership renewal.

We are working harder than ever to serve you better and represent Maryland's forestry industry. We cannot do this work without your support. Please look out for membership renewal letters and you can also renew online at mdforests.org. Thank you!



Your Support Makes a Difference!

2022 Membership Rates:

- Student – \$10
- Forestry Board Member – \$20
- Landowner/General Public – \$35
- Natural Resources Professional – \$60
- Hunting & Recreational Clubs – \$80*
- Businesses/Agencies/Education/Organizations – \$150
- Loggers/Haulers \$250
- Sawmill/Primary & Secondary Wood Product Manufactures – \$350

** Insurance fees must be paid directly to the insurance company, MFA processes membership only.*

Sponsor Membership Rates

MFA offers three levels of Annual Sponsorship, starting at \$600. Each level provides an membership with MFA plus additional advertising benefits.

Visit mdforests.org to learn more.

What is ESG and will establishing a Maryland program add market value?

In December 2021 The Greater Cumberland Committee (TGCC) began the process of creating a local branding program designed to support the emergence of traceable and verifiable corporate ESG requirements. The project is being overseen by an advisory committee made up of members of educational institutions, the industry, the community, and environmental interests including MFA. The TGCC is currently in the design phase of this Rural Maryland Council-funded project and hopes to have brand and program guidelines completed by mid-summer.

If you are wondering what ESG is or why the forest products industry should care, the answer is simple. ESG, or Environment – Social – Governance, programs are rapidly being adopted by the largest banks and corporations in the world to create social scores for companies. These scores are increasingly being used to determine if a business or industry is fit for financing or market access. In 2022 alone, it is expected that ESG will be a primary screening tool to determine access to more than \$3 trillion in corporate investments.

Current ESG programs are very expensive to run and are largely built to support large, global corporations with extensive supply chains. TGCC believes that by getting in on the front end of creating an ESG program built for our industry and with a focus on small, community-based businesses, we will have an advantage in the marketplace as an early adopter.

You may still be wondering if being involved in an ESG project has any value for you as a landowner, mill operator, forester, logger, or wood product manufacturer. The answer to that question is unclear. ESG as a corporate trend may not have a big influence on the success of our local industry, but the opportunity it presents is real. TGCC is focused on making sure we have an option to respond to the trend that fits all players in our very important industry.



A charette was held at Savage River Lodge on April 11-12 where meaningful dialog led to feedback and data collection that will help contribute to shaping the program. Photo credit: University of Maryland PALS Program



Dick Stanfield Scholarship

Maryland Forests Association, Inc. is proud to announce an educational Scholarship in honor of Dick Stanfield and his dedication to MFA. This \$500.00 Scholarship will be awarded this summer. Employees and/or children of employees at Edrich Lumber Company, and members of Maryland Forests Association and/or their children are eligible.

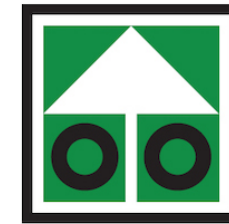
To apply, please submit the following via email or mail to:
Maryland Forests Association
P.O. Box 332, Linkwood, MD 21835
beth@mdforests.org

To entry applicants must:

1. Submit verification of enrollment in college or University (i.e. a copy of your student ID, or acceptance letter)
2. Submit a short essay (500 words or less) summarizing your interests, educational plans, and why you are deserving of this scholarship.
3. Completed application (www.mdforests.org/_files/ugd/6a9592_3fc8130a2a5a4617b1fb30685e6e9703.pdf)

SUBMISSION DEADLINE August 31st.

The recipient will be notified via email and a check will be sent directly to the student's educational institution.



THE 38TH EAST COAST SAWMILL AND LOGGING EQUIPMENT EXPOSITION
EXPO RICHMOND 2022
May 20-21, 2022 | Richmond Raceway Complex | Richmond, Virginia

Sponsored by
Virginia Forest Products Association and
The College of Natural Resources at Virginia Tech

Register at: www.prereg.net/2022/vfpa/

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