

Goals of the Woodland Owners of the Southern Alleghenies

1. Exchange information on best management practices for sustainable forestry while considering the landowner's interest in wildlife conservation, aesthetic values, watershed protection, recreation and economic return.
2. Educate landowners on stewardship and sustainable use of resources.
3. Provide lists of forestry resources to our members and the public.
4. Work with community organizations to educate the public about forest stewardship and sustainability.
5. Achieve recognition as an organized voice of forest landowners in the region for sustainable forestry.

"We do not own the land—we are simply borrowing it from our children."

— Author unknown

WOSA ACTIVITIES AND BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

Annual Forestry and Wildlife Conference

Site visits to properties that exemplify stewardship practices

Tree and plant identification walks

Workshops on safety, deer damage control, taxes, timber harvesting, forest management practices, good stewardship practices and other subjects of interest to woodland owners and the general public

Information sharing

Hikes in forested areas of special interest

Field trips to State Forest Demonstration Areas

A collective voice on issues of concern to forest landowners and those who care about the sustainability of our forests

We invite professionals to share their expertise with us at our monthly outings, annual conference and annual banquet.

We conduct tours of both private and public woodlands to observe and learn about "hands-on" woodland stewardship practices.

We share our experiences, our ideas and our best practices.

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Managing for Wildlife in Your Woods

25th Annual Forestry and Wildlife Conference

Presented by the



Saturday, March 22, 2025
American Legion
3721 Business 220, Bedford, PA
8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Reservation Form

Reservations must be postmarked by March 10 to guarantee lunch.

Send check payable to WOSA to PO Box 253, Everett, PA 15537 Tel. 814-494-4439

WOSA Members \$15 Non-members \$20 students just \$10

Join WOSA now and pay just \$15 for the conference

Name(s)

Address: _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Number attending _____

WOSA Membership: Enroll me

New _____ Renewal _____

Regular(\$15) Family(\$20) Associate(\$15) Sponsor(\$50)

Regular and Family memberships are open to those who own forestland.

Associate (non-voting) membership is open to others interested in supporting the goals of WOSA.

Sponsor is open to businesses and individuals. Sponsors' names are announced at our annual conference and banquet.

Membership benefits include:

- Discounts to Conference and Annual Banquet
- Free or reduced costs to monthly programs
- Updates of forestry-related news and events from Penn State and other resources

Amount Enclosed:

Conference _____ Membership _____

Attendees of entire program will be eligible for:

- 4 hours SFI Continuing Education credits

Ask Dave Scamardella for more information

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 PROGRAM**

- 8:30 Registration:** coffee and doughnuts
- 9:00 Keynote Speaker:** **Clay Lutz**, Wildlife Biologist, Pennsylvania Game Commission, Huntingdon
 "Benefiting Wildlife through Forest Management"
- 10:00 Josh Rittenhouse**, Forest Program Associate, Audubon Mid-Atlantic
 "What is Bird-Friendly Forest Management?"
- 11:00 Break**—check out the displays, bid on silent auction items, and purchase chainsaw raffle tickets
- 11:30 John Chenger**, President, Bat Conservation and Management
- 12:30 Lunch** soup, sandwiches, and homemade apple dumplings and ice cream for dessert!
- 1:15 WOSA Annual Meeting**
- 1:30 Pennsylvania Game Commission Update: PGC Staff**
- 2:00 Jeannine Fleegle**, Wildlife Biologist, Pennsylvania Game Commission
 "The Impact of Chronic Wasting Disease"
- 3:00 Break**—check out the displays, bid on silent auction items, and purchase raffle tickets
- 3:30 End of Silent Auction.** Winners will be announced at 4:30
- 3:30 Robert Bush Sr.**, Videographer, YouTube's Bush's Pennsylvania Wildlife Camera
 "The Log"
- 4:30 Chainsaw Raffle Drawing**—must be present to win
- 4:35 Wrap-up and Announce Silent Auction Winners**— **Laura Jackson**

A question and answer period will follow each presentation.

PLEASE TURN IN EVALUATION FORMS AND NAME TAGS