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## FRONT COVER

Forest Owners have lunch at the Ward Tree Farm pond during a recent woods walk.

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Daughter: "Daddy, why do all the editors refer to themselves as 'we'?"

Daddy: "So the reader who doesn't like what he is printing will think there are too many for him to lick."





## ***The View From the President's Chair***

When an executive gives a job to a committee of his employees, he expects them to complete the task to his satisfaction with little or no assistance from him. This Directory issue is a fine example of that. Other than approving some of the basic ideas, I had nothing to do with it. I am highly pleased with the result and commend Al Roberts, Evelyn Stock and the Editorial Committee for a job well done.

The reason for the existence of the New York Forest Owner's Association is education; to expand each member's knowledge of how to best operate a woodlot or a many acre forest. We are succeeding within our membership through articles in the Forest Owner magazine, technical sessions at our fall and spring general membership meetings, and four woods walks per year in different parts of the state.

What's our problem? We're not reaching enough forest owners!

(When I say forest, I am including woodlots of 10 acres or more.) Fifty eight percent of all forest land in New York State is owned by private land owners, exclusive of forest industries. Our membership is approaching 700 but there must be 10,000 forest land owners.

Please help us reach more people by interesting them in joining our association. You can give gift memberships, you can invite acquaintances to woods walks and semi-annual meetings, you can let other forest owners read your copy of our magazine. You can work through your local Cooperative Extension office to publicize our organization. Many Extension offices already do this. The American Agriculturist, Gordon Conklin, Editor, usually lists our meeting dates in its Calendar of Events. We have a lot going for us but we need every member to be a missionary for our cause. — the further education

of the private forest owner.

The view from the President's chair is of vast wooded acres, not necessarily contiguous, which need better management. Our purpose is to improve that management by education of the land owner. Will you help?

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## FOREST RESOURCE IN NEW YORK



By Neil Gutchess

"The forest resource in New York is one of our most important and probably least known assets, and the wise management of that resource is one of our most important yet probably least understood obligations." There is a direct present and future connection between the employment and commerce potential in the New York forest industry and the management of the forest resource.

New York is the heart of the so-called "Northern Forest." Our forests, which make up about 50% of our total land area, contain more growing stocks of sugar maple, yellow birch, basswood, beech and white ash than any other state. In addition, New York forests contain significant quantities of oak and cherry, which are extremely valuable species.

Demand for products from our forests is growing significantly. Not only are domestic manufacturers shopping for our unique resource but also affluent European customers have recognized and are demanding household products made with forest resources originating in New York. The United States Forest Service estimates that prices for forest products will rise, because of supply and demand factors, about 2% per year above the average of all prices over the next 20 years or so.

Over the past two or three years the number of primary manufacturing plants operating in New York has increased from 442 to 494. Even discounting firewood sales, withdrawals from our forests have increased substantially. It is becoming increasingly clear that future growth in manufacturing and employment relate directly to the intensity of professional management of our forest resource.

New York's timber based industries employ more than 300,000 people, and although it is true that many of the forest resources that sustain this employment originate from outside of New York State, it is also true that many of the resources of our forests are fabricated into products outside of New York State.

Historically, New York state's woodlands have been very important to the culture, economy and beauty of the state. Not only do the trees of New York provide land cover, protecting against erosion, but they beautify the landscape. In addition, the naturally renewable forests provide an economic foundation for industry which manufactures consumer products while employing citizens of the state.

The U.S. Forest Service reported that in 1968 there were more than 14 million acres of commercial forest land in New York. The total area of forest in the state approximated one-half the total area of 30,600,000 acres, and it was increasing. Between 1950 and 1968 the area of commercial forest land increased 14 percent according to the Forest Service data. Only six percent of the commercial forest land was publicly owned, and of the private forest, only nine percent was owned by forest industries. It was estimated that 250,000 private owners owned 85 percent of the commercial forest land of the state. Non-farm rural residents, absentee owners, and miscellaneous private ownerships account for almost 60 percent, or a total of 8.5 million acres. The dollar value of this huge forest resource has not been accurately determined, but it is obviously an amount so large that it is difficult to comprehend. Without ques-

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tion it is increasing rapidly, as wood product prices increase, and as more and more people seek to purchase forest land for one or more of a variety of reasons.

People purchase forest land to produce wood products, as a speculation, as a personal retreat from the pressures of professional or business activities, as a location of a second home, for recreation, for personal satisfaction. Many of them have limited information about managing their properties, and those who are experienced in owning forest land often find their information and experience inadequate to obtain the potential returns possible. Thus there is the situation that a resource of very great importance is probably not providing the economic or personal return to the owner that could be obtained. *The New York Forest Owners Association* was organized to assist owners to gain greater returns from owning forested land.

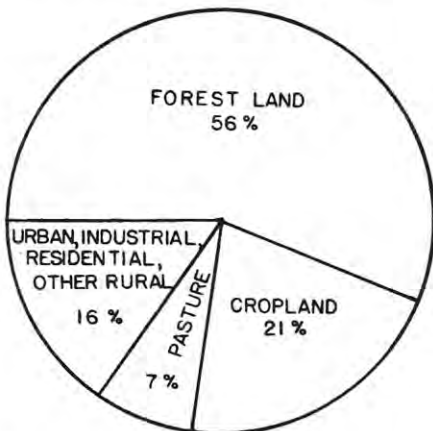


FIG. 1: LAND USE IN NEW YORK STATE

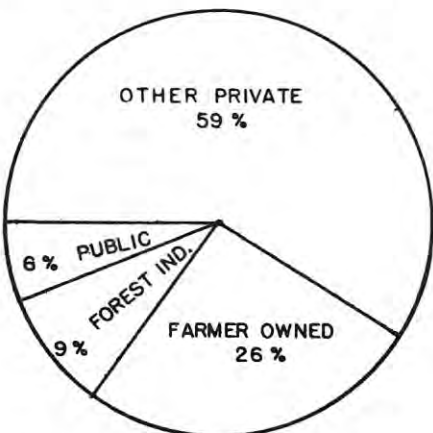
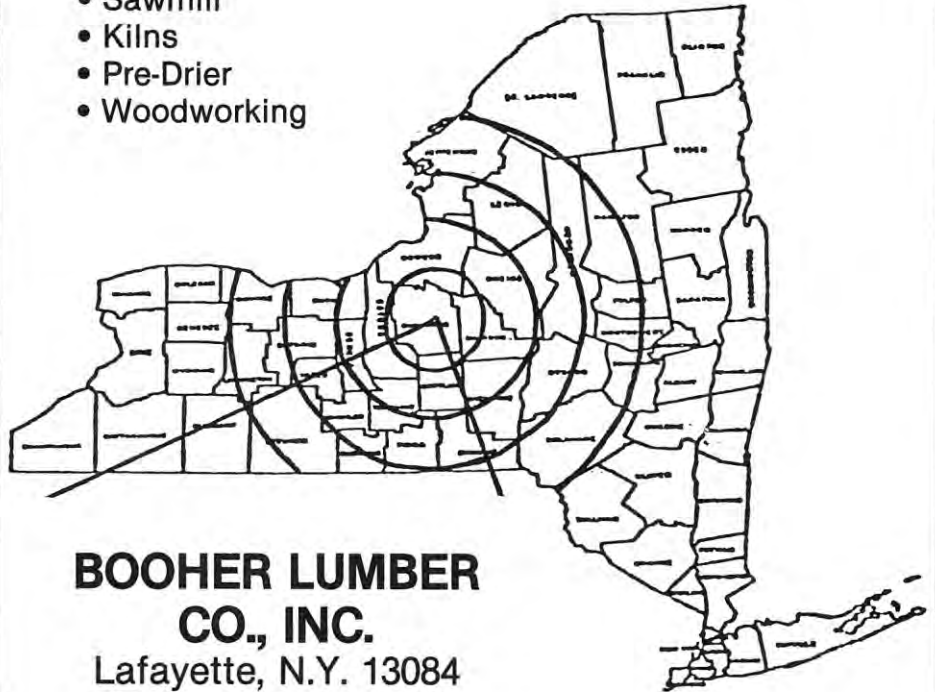


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1. The New York Forest Owners Association, Inc. is incorporated under the laws of New York, with principal office located in the City of Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York

**OBJECT:**

1. The Association is organized for the purpose of promoting, protecting, and representing the interests of owners of N.Y.S. forest lands.

**LIMITATIONS:**

1. The Association shall take no part in, or support the election or appointment of any candidate for political office.

**MEMBERSHIP:**

1. Membership shall be open to anyone in sympathy with the objectives of the Assoc.
2. Any person, firm, association or corporation interested in the general welfare of the forest lands of N.Y.S. shall be eligible to membership. Any firm, association, or corporation may acquire more than one membership and may designate an individual to represent each membership, but shall be entitled to cast only one vote. Multiple membership representatives may be changed upon written notice to the Association.
3. Annual dues shall be announced in February and are due and payable by March 31. Annual dues shall be as follows: Junior Member (under 21, non-voting) \$3.00; Regular Member \$10.00; Family Membership \$15; "Gift" Membership \$8.00; Sustaining \$30 to \$99.00; Contributing \$15 to \$29.00; Supporting Member \$100 to \$499.00; Sponsoring Member \$500.00 and up. Beginning with the 1980 annual meeting of the Association, and each year thereafter, a Schedule of Annual Membership Dues will be presented for approval by the membership for the successive calendar year.

**ELECTIONS:**

1. Written applications for membership shall be made to the Membership Secretary. It shall be regarded as a guarantee on the part of the applicant of his interest in and sympathy with the purposes of the Assoc., and of his adherence, if elected, to its bylaws, rules and regulations.  
Election to membership shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.
2. Honorary members may be appointed by the Board of Directors, subject to approval by the membership.

**EXPULSION:**

1. Any member failing to pay Asso. dues for one year shall automatically be dropped.

**RESIGNATION:**

1. Resignations shall be accepted by the Board of Directors for paid-up members only.

**MEETINGS:**

1. One annual business meeting of the Asso. shall be held during the month of April within the State at a location, time and place designated by the Board of Directors. Notice of such meeting shall be mailed by the Secretary at least 30 days prior to such date to all regular active voting members.

2. Regular or special meetings of the Asso. may be called by the Board of Directors, or by direction of the President, or by written request of fifty (50) active members. All notices of special meetings shall specify the purpose of such meeting, and be mailed to the membership 30 days before the meeting date.
3. A quorum at membership meetings shall be 25% of the active members or 35 members, whichever is the smaller.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

1. The government of the Asso., the direction of its work and the control of its property shall be vested in a Board of Directors consisting of 21 members, each in good standing, one-third to be elected annually for a three year term.
2. The Board shall be elected by mail ballot sent to all members two weeks prior to the Annual Meeting, at which time the directors elected shall be announced. During or before January of each year, the Pres. shall appoint a nominating committee with the secretary and membership secretary serving as ex officio members. The function of the nominating committee will be to see that one or more candidates for each vacancy is nominated and that such nominees accept the responsibility to serve if elected. Directors will be elected on the basis of voting plurality. No person may succeed himself after serving six consecutive years as an elected Board member.
3. The Pres. shall appoint a committee of three tellers who are not members of the Board or candidates for election, to count the mail ballots and report results to the Board.
4. Vacancies caused by death, resignation, or inability of directors of officers to serve shall be filled by the Board of Directors until the next annual meeting. Five (5) successive unexcused absences from Directors meetings shall be interpreted as inability to serve.

**MEETINGS:**

1. Meetings of the Board may be called at dates the Directors agree upon.
2. Special meetings of the Board may be called at any time by the Pres.
3. A majority of the Board will constitute a quorum.
4. There shall be an annual meeting of the Board at the close of the fiscal year and prior to the annual meeting for the purpose of summarizing the year's work and developing current plans.

**OFFICERS:**

1. Within 30 days after the Annual Meeting, directors shall meet for the purpose of electing officers and carrying out recommended procedures.

They shall elect a *President*, *First Vice President*, *Second Vice President* from their own number, and a *Secretary*, *Membership Secretary* and a *Treasurer* who may or may not be directors. Candidates for any office of this Asso. may be selected by the elected Board from first or second term directors whose term expired immediately prior to the annual meeting.

No president may serve more than two consecutive one year terms.



The Board may appoint an Executive Vice President to be the administrative officer of the Assoc., with duties to promote and carry out the objectives of this Assoc., subject to the approval of the Board. He shall advise the board in matters pertaining to the Assoc., and shall serve as liaison with other forestry related groups, conduct the public relations of the Assoc., aid in the formation and work of the committees, manage headquarters, and maintain Asso. records.

The *Treasurer* shall furnish a surety bond in such amount as the Board shall deem necessary, at Assoc. expense.

2. The duties of the officers shall be such as their titles indicate, and such as required by law, and as may be assigned to them by the Board.
3. The *President* shall preside at all meetings and perform all duties incident to his office and advise such action as may be deemed likely to increase the usefulness of the Assoc. The Vice President shall act in his absence.
4. The *Treasurer* shall receive and disburse the funds of the Assoc. on order of the Board. He shall keep all moneys of the Assoc. deposited in its name and submit a written financial statement at the close of each fiscal year.
5. The *Secretary* shall keep records of all transactions, send out notices of meetings, keep accurate minutes of such meetings, and cooperate with the other officers in properly transacting the business of the Asso. and assisting them in making their annual reports.
6. NO OFFICER may commit the Asso. either by writing or speaking in matters of policy or controversy without approval of the Board.
7. The Board of Directors at any scheduled meeting may remove any officer by two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) vote of the Board present and voting.

#### COMMITTEES:

1. There shall be an executive committee of the officers of the Assoc., which may transact routine business in the interim between Board meetings, subject to the final approval by the Board.
2. It shall be the duty of the Pres., with Board approval, to appoint the following committees to function during the ensuing year:
  - a. Membership Committee, with the Membership Secretary as ex officio member.
  - b. Publicity Committee of 3 members.
  - c. An Auditing Committee of 3 members.
  - d. A Program Committee of 6 members.
  - e. A Budget Committee of 3 members.
  - f. A Nominating Committee of 3 or more members.
3. The Pres. may appoint other committees as needed, or as the Board desires.

#### TRUST PROPERTY MANAGEMENT BOARD (TPMB):

1. The Board of Directors will appoint a *Trust Property Management Board* of five members. Each member will serve for five years, and the terms will be assigned so that the term of one member expires each year and a new assignment is made. One year must elapse between terms served by an individual as a member of this board.
2. The TPMB shall elect its own officers.
3. Members of the TPMB will serve voluntarily without pay.
4. Any member of the TPMB can be removed by a three-fourths vote of the Board of Directors.

#### 5. The duties of the TPMB shall be:

- a. To acquire property in the name of the New York Forest Owners Association, Inc. and/or to manage property in a manner appropriate to the objectives of the corporation.
- b. To keep the Board of Directors informed of all matters pertinent to the trust property, and to make recommendations for consideration and approval at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors.
- c. To report at each annual meeting of the Association.

#### HOUSE ORGAN:

1. The Assoc. shall publish at regular intervals a newsletter or other type publication for the information, service and encouragement of its members.
2. A qualified Editor shall be appointed by the Pres. with the approval of the Board. The Pres. may dismiss the Editor but only after the approval of the majority of the Board.

#### CHAPTERS:

1. Any county having 10 or more members may organize a county chapter of the Assoc. for the promotion of membership, better forest land use, management and fellowship.
2. Each chapter shall elect a chairman, a vice chairman and secretary.

#### RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS:

1. The receipts from membership dues and other sources, when not specifically designated, shall constitute the general fund from which all Assoc. expenses incurred shall be paid.
2. No disbursement of funds of the Assoc. in excess of fifty (\$50.00) dollars shall be made without first being approved or ordered by the Board. All disbursements are to be by check, signed by the treasurer. The Board may require checks to be signed by another officer of the Assoc.

#### BUDGET:

1. Prior to each fiscal year, the Chairman of the *Budget Committee* shall prepare a budget of anticipated revenues and expenses which shall be submitted to the Board for revision and approval, with final approval by the membership at the annual meeting.

#### SEAL:

1. The Corporation shall have no seal.

#### FISCAL YEAR:

1. The fiscal year shall be the calendar year.

#### PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES:

1. The proceedings of the Assoc. meetings shall be governed by and conducted according to the latest edition of Roberts Rules of Order Revised.

#### AMENDMENTS:

1. Any article or section of these Bylaws may be amended, repealed or changed by a two-thirds vote of members present and voting at any Annual Meeting or special meeting of the Assoc. provided that notice of such proposed amendment, repeal, or change shall have been mailed to all members of the Assoc. at least 10 days prior to the date of such meeting.



## COMMITTEES OF NYFOA

By C.E. Farnsworth

Re-issued May 1980 by H.O. Ward

A major part of the program of NYFOA is carried out by committees working on assigned tasks, consequently the vigor, enthusiasm and effectiveness of the committee members largely determines whether the Association attains its objectives. The committee structure provides for active participation by all members of the Board of Directors, and can be expanded to include Association members who either have a special interest or special aptitude in the area of concern of a particular committee. It is hoped that during the current year our committees will be unusually active and will recruit members in addition to those from the Board of Directors. Hopefully we will find that by this means we can accomplish much more for the Association than has been possible in the past.

It is requested that the Board of Directors members consider the following:

1. Review the charges of all the committees.

2. Determine whether the charges for the committee of which you are a member should be expanded or otherwise modified.

3. If appropriate, suggest changes in the charges as written.

4. Study means by which the program of the committee can be developed or expanded.

5. Determine whether the work of the committee can be facilitated by recruiting Association members and if so whether it would be desirable to request participation through the *Forest Owner*.

6. It is hoped that each chairperson can be prepared to report to the Board of Directors at the July meeting on the committee charge, and on plans for the committee program.

### Charge to Editorial Committee

#### GENERAL:

1. Be responsive to the directives and policies of the Board of Directors of the New York Forest Owners Association.

2. Advise and assist the Editor of the *Forest Owner* in producing the most effective publication possible with available resources.

3. Advise and counsel with the Board of Trustees regarding editorial policies and practices considered appropriate for NYFOA publications.

4. Cooperate with the Publicity Committee to avoid duplication or conflict of efforts.

#### SPECIFIC:

1. Be responsible for implementing the policies of the Board of Directors, insofar as these relate to materials prepared for printing.

2. Participate in the planning and development of the *Forest Owner*.

3. Review, and revise as needed, the brochures prepared for recruiting new members and in providing information about the NYFOA.

4. Oversee and administer the budget of the *Forest Owner* under fiscal controls of the Board of Directors.

5. Prepare recommendations regarding the *Forest Owner*, or other published material, for action by the Board of Directors.

6. Revise the charge to the committee as needed and submit the revised charge to the Board of Directors for approval.

### Editor of the *Forest Owner* (ex officio member)

1. The editor of the *Forest Owner* is responsible for the form and content of the publication, subject to the directives of the Board of Directors.

2. In cases of differences of opinion between the editor and the committee, the editor may request to present his point of view directly to the Board of Directors.

### Charge to Woods Walk Committee

1. Encourage small groups of forest owners to meet together to discuss mutual problems.

2. Arrange group tours of wood lots and forests that will be of interest to members.

3. Seek publicity for NYFOA as a result of woods walks.

4. Provide opportunity for members to learn from experience of others in demonstrations of good and poor woods management.

### Charge to Education Committee

1. Search for, and prepare for dissemination, information relating to any aspect of owning and managing forest land which is judged to be of interest to the members of NYFOA, which does not fall within the purview of other committees.

Information may be disseminated through the *Forest Owner*; by special bulletins or notices; or at meetings, or by other means available to the Association.

2. Plan and supervise the informa-

tional content for two general meetings a year:

a) the annual spring meeting

b) the annual fall meeting

3. Prepare a projected plan for the above meetings one year in advance of their scheduled dates and review it with the Board of Directors for comments and suggestions. The plan should include dates, places, theme, and proposals for implementing the meetings.

4. Undertake, either directly or through personnel recruited for the event, the arrangements and participation required to carry out the meetings as scheduled.

5. Review the charge of the committee and recommend modifications as needed.

6. Cooperate with the editorial committee, and the publicity committee, to avoid duplication or uncoordinated efforts.

### Charge to Legislation Committee

1. Review legislation introduced in the state legislature which is pertinent to the members of the Association.

2. Propose needed legislation through others.

3. Report to the membership when support or opposition to legislation is appropriate.

4. Define responsibility and scope of legislation Committee and list duties of members.

5. Contribute at least one article to be published in the *Forest Owner*.

### Charge to Membership Committee

1. Set membership goals and determine how goals can be attained.

2. Retain current members:

a) identify those in arrears in dues

b) survey reasons

c) initiate action to stimulate interest in NYFOA

3. Develop lists of special interest groups such as "Tree Farmers" who can be solicited for membership.

4. Define responsibility and scope of membership committee and list duties of committee members.

5. Recruit members for the committee to provide full coverage of the state.

6. Contribute a minimum of two articles to be published in the **Forest Owner**.

### Charge to Publicity Committee

1. Bring NYFOA to the attention of the public and provide information about our activities.

2. Publicize meetings and other func-



tions of NYFOA to enhance the image of the Association.

3. Consider the development of a series of FM radio spots to be broadcast as a public interest and education program.

4. Encourage public interest articles to be published by members.

5. Help prepare presentations to be made to foundations for the purpose of soliciting support.

6. Revise and expand the charge to the committee in order to increase its effectiveness.

#### **Charge to By-Laws Committee**

1. Provide copies of current By-Laws as requested by the Board of Directors.

2. Continually review the current By-Laws and determine what, if any, changes should be made.

3. Receive suggested changes in By-Laws from any member of NYFOA.

4. Prepare amendments or additions to the By-Laws and submit them to the Board of Directors for action and/or instructions.

#### **Charge to Budget and Audit Committee**

1. Work with Treasurer to prepare and implement yearly budget of the Association, and provide for a yearly audit.

2. Explore additional new income sources.

3. Define responsibility and scope of the committee and list duties of its members.

4. Contribute a minimum of two articles to be published in the *Forest Owner*.

#### **Charge to Awards Committee**

1. Make an active search for nominees for the Association Awards, using assistance and suggestions of the entire membership.

2. Select an outstanding nominee for the annual Heiberg Award.

3. Select an outstanding nominee for the annual Forest Owners Association Award.

4. Publicize the honor which accompanies the awards — as appropriate.

5. Recruit committee members — as needed.

6. Define responsibility and scope of the Awards Committee, and list duties of members.

7. Contribute a minimum of two articles to be published in the *Forest Owner*.

8. Consider other types of awards that should be made by NYFOA.

9. Prepare recommendations of the committee to the Board of Directors for action.

Note: At times it is very desirable that the activities of this committee be kept in confidence. The committee should use all due consideration to avoid inconvenience or embarrassment to possible selectees.

#### **Charge to Natural Resources and Land Use Committee**

1. Inform NYFOA membership regarding forest resource and land use problems.

2. Solicit questions from NYFOA membership and respond either directly or through the *Forest Owner*.

3. Formulate and present to the Board of Directors — and to the membership — NYFOA policy positions on forest resources and land use.

4. Encourage members of NYFOA to participate in the activities of the Committee.

5. Review and modify the committee charge to increase its service and effectiveness.

#### **The New York Forest Information Group**

This organization was formed to provide its members with information relating to forest resources, multiple use management and forest utilization in New York State.

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- Empire State Forest Products Assoc.
- New York Christmas Tree Grower's Association
- New York Forest Owner's Association
- New York Institute of Consulting Foresters
- New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Forest Resources Subdivision
- New York Forest Practice Board
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# New York Forest Owners Association

By George Fowler  
Editor, *Northern Logger*

Few states can lay claim to harboring an organization like the New York Forest Owners Association. Active since 1962, the Association represents the interests of 255,000 forest owners of New York State. Numerous well-known New York forestry names have graced the leadership and Board of Directors of the Association.

One of the most famous was Dean Svend Oluf Heiberg of the State University College of Forestry at Syracuse University, internationally known for his work in silviculture, and credited with the founding of the New York Forest Owners Association. His first-hand observation of successful forest owner associations in Scandinavia sparked the movement.

At the Syracuse College of Forestry, Dean Heiberg headed up a faculty committee on Forest Land Owners Association comprised of Dr. William A. Duerr, Dr. Paul E. Graves and Prof. Ralph G. Unger. Under sponsorship of the New York State Forest Practice board, two Forest Land Owners Forums took place at the College of Forestry, the first on November 9, 1961, and the second on October 8, 1962. At the first Forum, Ted Buckley, a member of the New York Forest Practice Board, Cambridge District No. 11, served as Chairman of Group IV, discussing "Pitfalls in



Svend Heiberg at the Pack Demonstration Forest in 1963.

Managing Forests and Selling Timber."

When the next Land Owners Forum took place a year later, Ted convened and chaired the morning session. In the afternoon it was decided to organize a New York Land Owners Association. Sheriff Theodore T. Buckley of Cambridge, Washington County, N.Y., was elected President Pro Tem and Mrs. Barbara E. Pittenger of Marcellus, N.Y., Secretary-Treasurer Pro Tem.

The first meeting of the Pro Tem Board of Directors was called by President Buckley at Drumlins in Syracuse on January 12, 1963, and was followed by a number of monthly Board of Directors' meetings — on February 2 at the John Milton Motel in Syracuse and on March 9, 1963.

At the First Annual Meeting of the NYFOA, held at the College of Forestry on April 27, 1963, the New York Forest Owners Association was formally organized. A Board of Directors was elected and Ted Buckley was voted President. An astonishing 50% of the membership turned out for the First Annual Meeting.

Ted put out the first edition of the *Forest Owner* in July 1963. That same month the Association was incorporated and Vol. 1 No. 4 for October 1963 stated "The New York Forest Owners Association is definitely committed to backing the Tree Farm movement in New York State."

The Association activities and actions continue to increase every year. The stated objectives of the Association are:

1. To unite the forest owners of New York in a common cause of improving their forest resources and forest opportunities.
2. To join with and support private, state and federal programs that strengthen forestry, such as the New York Forest Practice Act and Tree Farm Program.
3. To help make ownership of forestland more attractive as an investment.
4. To work toward an economic climate favorable to permanent forest industry.
5. To maintain a balance between timber growth and cut to assure raw materials for industry and steady employment in forest communities and rural areas.



6. To encourage education and research in forest management, marketing and use of forest products and services.

7. To manage forest land to enhance its natural beauty for the benefit of the owner, motorist, tourist and recreation.

To meet its objectives, the Association:

- Publishes six issues of the *Forest Owner* each year, providing free and friendly exchange of experience, outlook and opinion among the members.

- Holds Annual and Fall meetings, tours and field trips to inform and inspire.

- Mails members helpful and instructive materials furnished by the NYFOA, state and federal agencies, and individuals.

- Promotes standards for timber harvesters that protect forest owners in the sale of timber and during logging operations.

- Works for the classification of forest lands into: timber growing, recreation, watershed, wildlife, summer home sites.

- Works for a forest land tax adaptable to conditions of timber harvesting.

- Recognizes and acclaims meritorious effort in the field of forestry, conservation and outdoor recreation.

- Conducts "Woods Walks" to stimulate enthusiasm for: growing timber, enjoyment of outdoor living and getting acquainted with NYFOA members.

The Association's current president is Howard O. Ward, of Candor, NY. He invites anyone interested in joining the Association to write to membership secretary, Mrs. Helen Varian, 204 Varian Rd., Peekskill, NY 10566. The membership can bring you returns in the satisfaction of growing quality timber, stabilizing forest industries and markets, providing permanent jobs, increasing the value of your woods, enlarging areas of natural beauty across New York State, and leaving behind a monument in living trees to bless the tomorrows for the boys and girls today.

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## THE HEIBERG AWARD

**Dr. Svend Heiberg** is credited with the initial proposal to establish an Association of Forest Landowners in New York State. Shortly after his death the Board of Directors of NYFOA set up a Committee, under the Chairmanship of Dorothy Wertheimer, to establish an award in his memory.

At its 20th meeting held in Syracuse on November 6, 1965, the NYFOA Board of Directors heard a report by the Heiberg Memorial Award Committee. This report was unanimously approved. The First Award was made at the Fourth Annual Meeting, held in Syracuse, April 30, 1966 to **Hardy L. Shirley**, who had worked diligently with Svend Heiberg to establish the New York Forest Owners Association.

Since that time there have been ten more Heiberg Memorial Awards:

In 1967 to **David B. Cook**

In 1968 to **Floyd Carlson**

In 1969 to **Mike Demeree**

Due to disorganization and confusion — no award in 1970.

In 1971 to **Fred Winch, Jr.**

In 1972 to **John Stock**

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In 1974 to **C. Eugene Farnsworth**

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Reference: Forest Owner, Vol. III, #9 December, 1965.





## A LOOK INTO THE FUTURE

by Alan R. Knight

Former Editor of the NYFOA

I envision a Forest Owners Association of at least 10,000 members tied together by common interests, a top notch forest owner magazine, regular tours (both domestic and foreign), cooperative marketing arrangements, sales offices in key cities, cooperatively owned equipment, and staff professionals which would include an executive director, staff foresters, and marketing professionals. The association might even own its own mills and processing plants. Its products would include not only education for its members, but professional services to help them best manage their forest resource, market their products and lobby for their legislative well being. Products would run from hardwoods for industry to Christmas trees to firewood to who knows what else.

I envision regional or county chapters of the association which would be strong spokesmen before local taxation review committees, county legislatures, and chambers of commerce. From the ranks of those local organizations would come the leadership for the state organization. Locally sponsored woods walks and small scale tours to other parts of the state or region would be excellent activities for the forest-owners in each locale and would greatly aid in stimulating local participation.

That is my vision. That is my motivation for taking a group to Scandinavia and to the Sodra Skogsagarna, a forest-owners cooperative in Sweden which seems to be exactly what I am envisioning for New York State.

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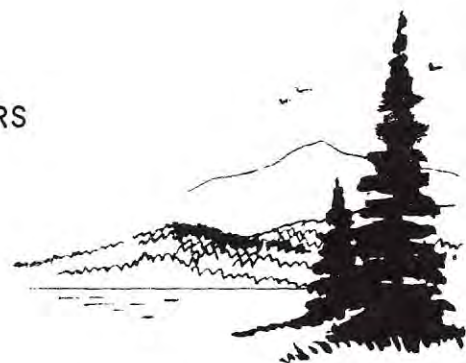
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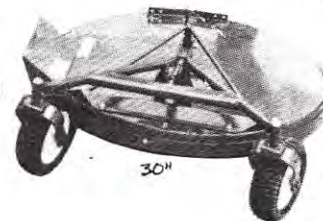
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Candidates for this award may be submitted by any member of the NYFOA to the awards committee. It is anticipated that this award will be made annually at the discretion of the NYFOA Board of Directors.

Although there have been many individuals who have performed outstanding service to the NYFOA, the Awards Committee has had no difficulty selecting the first three winners. **Emiel Palmer** was our first award winner in 1978, **Ken Eberley** in 1979, and **Helen Varian** in 1980.



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