

Northeastern Area



News Notes



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IN THE WAKE OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

What a difference a day makes, and so it goes as a year has passed, and we find ourselves still gripped by the tragic events as if they happened only yesterday. It has been a year to remember, as we faced the fear, gained confidence, and appreciated anew family, friends, and our great

country. As a nation, we have learned to be more vigilant in strength, more alert to our surroundings, and more supportive of our fellow citizen.

I would like to add that we have become more compassionate and understanding not only as a nation, but as citizens of our communities and associates within our workplace. The strength of our nation, our sense of community, and the value of our workplace all grow as we experience and exercise greater mutual respect, extend a sense of kindness, and are watchful for the safety and welfare of the colleagues we work beside everyday. We are enriched by the cultural diversity as well as the professional diversity of those of us who work within the Northeastern Area. Ironically, we become stronger as a group of people and more caring and protective in the face of danger and life-threatening events such as we experienced a year ago.

We are a nation awakened to a changed world! Please join me in the celebration of our nation's great strength and remembering those who yet suffer from the loss of a loved one. Let us appreciate the successes and accomplishments experienced within our country and across the world as evil, which preys on all societies, is sought out. Together, we can make a difference in our workplace, our community, and our great nation. Thank you for taking this time to reflect on the significant events of the past year as we collectively move forward in making our world a safer place in which to live and work.

— Kathy Maloney

NORTHEASTERN AREA / NORTHEASTERN RESEARCH STATION PERSONNEL RECOGNIZED FOR SEPTEMBER 11, 2001, RESPONSE AND ASSISTANCE

Recently, a number of Northeastern Area / Northeastern Research Station personnel were recognized for their response and assistance following the Sept. 11, 2001, attack on the World Trade Center in New York City.

Secretary's Award:

James "Mitch" Mitchell (NE/NA - NTS) dispatched to NYC and assigned to the Alaska Area Type I Incident Management Team, was recently recognized for his efforts at a special awards ceremony in Washington, DC. James "Mitch", along with members of the Alaska Area Type I Team, was presented with the USDA Secretary's Heroism



and Emergency Response Group Honor Award for Excellence, for exceptional effort and commitment to assisting thousands of rescue workers with search and rescue and recovery efforts at the September 11, 2001, New York World Trade Center Terrorist Attack Incident in New York City.

Chief's Awards:

Ruta Glinski (EACC), **Malcolm Gramley** (NTS), **Gloria Pellin** (EACC), **Jan Polasky** (NTS), **Ellen Geis** (Grey Towers), **Thomas Brady** (NA/R9), and **Alan Zentz** (NTS) all Northeastern Area employees that were dispatched and/or provided support to the FEMA - Region 2 Regional Operations Center in NYC, were recently recognized for their efforts and awarded the Chief's Award for Emergency Response. This award was presented for their selfless act of courage, service, support, and participation in the activities following the September 11, 2001, New York World Trade Center Terrorist Attack Incident in New York City.

Army Environmental Center Notes

NA HELPS OUT AT FLETC

Rob Whetsell, NA historian and archaeologist, will be working at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) in Glynco, Georgia, documenting historic properties on the Center for the next two months. The FLETC serves as an interagency law enforcement training organization for more than 70 Federal agencies, including the Forest Service. The Center also provides services to state, local, and international law enforcement agencies.

FLETC was established in 1975 on the former Glynco Naval Air Station. Thus, many of the buildings are near or over 50 years old – the age when buildings may become eligible for “historic” status. Rob’s background in evaluating military buildings for historic status and Cold War Era significance will be invaluable in determining eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places. Rob also is drafting a Programmatic Agreement for use by FLETC with the Georgia State Historic Preservation Office. Susan Shaw, Forest Service Liaison to FLETC, is coordinating Rob’s work with other archaeological efforts at the Center.

CULTURAL RESOURCES TRAINING FOR THE AIR FORCE

Rob Whetsell conducted a two-day cultural resources management training course for Air Force personnel at New Boston Air Force Station (AFS) near Manchester, New Hampshire, in September. This training course is an outgrowth of several cultural resources projects Rob has conducted for New Boston AFS in the last two years. The course covered what cultural properties are, what to look for, applicable laws and regulations, and standard operating procedures. Both Air Force and civilian employees attended the course.

Milo McLeod joined Rob in teaching the Section 106 portion of the course – dealing with Federal responsibilities concerning buildings and districts eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. Milo is normally the Forest Archaeologist on the Lolo National Forest, Montana. However, Milo is assisting at New Boston not as a Forest Service employee, but as an Army sergeant. Milo, an Army reservist, was called to active duty last January and is currently assigned to the Special Operations Command, Tampa, Florida, Public Affairs Division. Milo’s military commander has been very supportive in detailing Milo to New Boston for this project.



Durham Field Office Notes

PROGRESS CONTINUES ON BMP MONITORING PROTOCOL PROJECT

The BMP Monitoring Protocol Project, funded by a focus funding grant to the NAASF Water Resources Committee, is being conducted by Roger Ryder and Tim Post of the Maine Forest Service with assistance from **Dave Welsch** and **Karen Sykes** (Morgantown Field Office). The project's two main goals are (1) to shift from anecdotal assessments to quantifiable measurements of impacts on water quality, and (2) to standardize data collection so that it is comparable from State to State.

A current version of the data dictionary has been programmed into GPS units so that field crews enter data by simply highlighting appropriate answers. Field crew training includes work on recognizing on-site conditions and understanding the questions and potential answers that describe these conditions, as well as uploading data for e-mail transmission to the data storage computer. Trained field crews are in the process of gathering 10 sample units and 3 quality control samples per State.

The NAASF Water Resources Committee voted to issue a letter of support for the project after it was presented at their July 2002 meeting. The protocol was also presented to U.S. EPA Washington office personnel in August, where it received very favorable response.

Work is currently underway to statistically assess the validity of the individual questions in the protocol and to generate initial reports. Future work includes incorporating State comments from the pilot phase, developing risk assessments based on a combination of site factors and operator attitude, and developing computer code to generate automated reports. This project has the potential to meet EPA's need to demonstrate compliance with the Clean Water Act by generating data on BMP effectiveness that is measurable, site specific, quantitative in nature, and comparable among States.



Bill Frament and Marc Roberts surveyed the Detroit area for emerald ash borer damage.

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY OF EMERALD ASH BORER DAMAGE

During the week of September 2, **Bill Frament** traveled to Michigan to assist with evaluating emerald ash borer damage. Bill and **Marc Roberts** (St. Paul Field Office) acquired 450 aerial photographs over Detroit and surrounding areas to determine if the damage is easily detected using color infrared photography. Staff from the Durham and St. Paul Field Offices and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources will interpret the imagery later in September.





Cristina Burgos, DFO HACU intern, helped with Urban and Community Forestry field work in Boston, MA, on the Urban Wilds project.

HACU INTERN RETURNS HOME AFTER SUMMER IN DURHAM

The Durham Field Office was fortunate to host an intern this summer. **Cristina Burgos Diaz**, from Puerto Rico, came to us through the Hispanic Association of Universities and Colleges (HACU). Cristina put her computer talents to use assisting John Parry in producing a variety of Census Bureau demographic maps and tables for the State urban forestry programs. She also assisted with some GPS mapping work in urban woodlots in Boston and an understory vegetative assessment at Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historic Site in Woodstock, Vermont. Cristina spent considerable time working with Connie Carpenter on the sustainability initiative, and accompanied Connie to the annual meeting of the Northeastern Forest Resource Planners Association (NFRPA) at Grey Towers. Following the meeting, she

compiled a newsletter for NFRPA, including an article she wrote describing her experience at the meeting. Thanks for your help this summer Cristina!

USDA–DURHAM FEDERAL WORKERS VOLUNTEER SERVICE TO THEIR COMMUNITIES AT THE UNITED WAY DAY OF CARING

Employees from NE, NA, and NRCS gave a day of service at the 11th Annual United Way Day of Caring on 9/11. Eighteen volunteers went en masse under the USDA–Durham Federal Workers banner and joined almost 2000 individual and corporate volunteers on service projects throughout the New Hampshire and Maine Seacoast.

'Physically challenging' defined the two USDA–Durham projects, which involved demolition of a log cabin at the Great Bay National Wildlife Refuge and brush clearing and wood cutting at the Portsmouth (NH) Urban Forestry Center. The cabin demolition reduced liability at the Refuge by removing an attractive nuisance. The wood cut at the Center will go to heat buildings that DFO uses throughout the year to host meetings.

To say that the USDA–Durham crews were in their element while working outdoors would be an understatement. Word from volunteers confirms that it was a great experience for all, and one that they're ready to repeat in the future. Some other thoughts on what was earned that day:

- The appreciation of new friends at the Great Bay National Wildlife Refuge and the Greater Seacoast United Way, and the appreciation of DFO's longtime friends at the Urban Forestry Center
- Stronger relationships within USDA–Durham
- New ties with our neighbors in the Seacoast



The log cabin crew stands atop their handiwork.



About three full cords of wood were cut, split, and stacked by USDA–Durham volunteers at the Urban Forestry Center.



- Personal satisfaction and pride in unity
- Cool purple t-shirts from the United Way

Please give a thanks and a pat on the back to your USDA–Durham colleagues who volunteered:

Tom 'Ax' Luther	Jim 'Sledgehammer' Linnane
Marie-Louise Smith	Laura 'Splitter' Morton
Jane 'The Magician' Hislop	Susan 'Pitch Fork' Cox
Alan 'Paint Brush' Amman	Priscilla Johnston
Dennis 'Wood Maul' Souto	Susan Hahn
Rob 'Woodman' Clark	Karen Mollander
Roger 'Pry Bar' Monthey	Florence 'Log Splitter' Peterson
John 'Photog' Parry	Carol 'Shooter' Lagodich
Jane McComb	Bob 'Last Seen at Breakfast' Fitzhenry

Grey Towers Notes

PINCHOT INSTITUTE WINS GRANT FOR EDUCATION AND ARTS PROGRAMS AT GREY TOWERS

The Pinchot Institute of Conservation recently was awarded a \$6,800 grant from International Paper to expand its conservation education and arts and outreach programs at Grey Towers. The funding will help support public education programs; development of additional programs and marketing the Conservation and the Arts program to increase participation; and research on the Milford Experimental Forest, a 1,400-acre forest owned by the Pinchot family and managed as a program of the Pinchot Institute to (1) carry on forest research and (2) stimulate the active management of forests and water resources on private and public lands.

The Pinchot Institute’s Education and Arts Programs at Grey Towers are aimed at promoting a better understanding of sustainable forest management and the role of forests and forestry in today’s world.

COMMONWEALTH CONTRIBUTES TO LETTER BOX RESTORATION AT GREY TOWERS

The Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) has awarded \$24,946 toward the Letter Box restoration at Grey Towers. The Letter Box served as the office and archives of Gifford Pinchot when he was governor of Pennsylvania. The building has suffered from severe water infiltration and is in need of a new roof, HVAC and fire suppression systems, restoration of interior space and selected collection conservation. When complete, the Letter Box will serve as an education and research center for the study of conservation. The Forest Service has received a Save America’s Treasures grant for the Letter Box and the Pinchot Institute for Conservation has raised the matching funds in private dollars. The Pennsylvania DCED grant will help supplement the monies raised and further demonstrates federal-state-private partnership at Grey Towers. The award also demonstrates the Commonwealth’s acknowledgement of the significance of the Grey Towers site as an important historic and economic feature of Pennsylvania.



GREY TOWERS DIRECTOR WINS REGIONAL NOMINATION FOR GIFFORD PINCHOT AWARD

The Northeast Area has nominated Grey Towers Director Ed Brannon for the Forest Service annual Gifford Pinchot Excellence in Interpretation Award. Selection of the national winner will be announced at the interagency award ceremony on November 14, 2002, as part of the National Association for Interpretation's annual conference.

Ed's nomination was due in large part to his accomplishments regarding the renovation and program development of Grey Towers National Historic Landmark, Gifford Pinchot's former home.

"This is a pleasant surprise and honor to say the least," Ed told the Grey Towers staff when he learned about the nomination. *"In reality, this recognition is for all of us. I am extremely proud of what we have been able to accomplish, and it is nice to see it recognized, but my biggest reward happens every day I come up the drive and look at what we have done."*

Pinchot Institute of Conservation Director Al Sample thought the nomination was most appropriate. *"This is so well deserved,"* he said, adding, *"I hope you and all the Forest Service staff at Grey Towers will take pride in this recognition."*

GREY TOWERS STAFF MEMBER HELPS WITH SEPTEMBER 11 ANNIVERSARY TRIBUTE

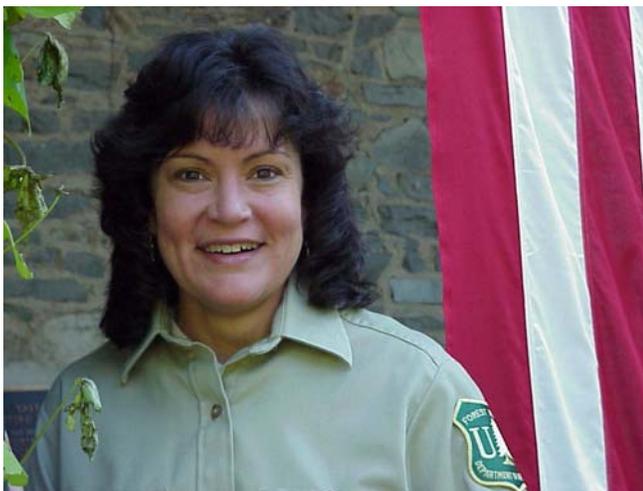
Grey Towers Administrative Officer Ellen Geis, who spent five weeks as the Forest Service liaison for FEMA during the recovery efforts at Ground Zero last year, helped pay tribute on the September 11 anniversary with a special program for Grey Towers staff.

Ellen shared a PowerPoint presentation compiled by the Alaska Type I Interagency Incident Management Team to illustrate the overall functions of an incident management team, specifically during the New York assignment.

"Many people - civilians, fire fighters, other agency people - were surprised to see the Forest Service helping out at Ground Zero," Ellen explained. *"They would say, 'what are you doing here?' because the public is used to seeing us fighting wildland fires, but not assisting in an urban setting."*

"But the Incident Management Team uses a lot of the same skills and techniques during a disaster, even if it's not in a field or forest somewhere." For example, the Team worked with the New York City Fire Department to develop maps, incident plans, and other logistical planning and warehouse management. *"They trained the FDNY how to use the incident command system,"* she said. The Forest Service also set up a fire camp for the Urban Search and Rescue Team – in the Jacob Javits Convention Center!

Ellen's specific assignment was as part of a team that coordinated the FEMA assignments. Her days were spent attending briefings, troubleshooting, and acting as an agency information contact person for FEMA, the IMTs, NE/NA, and the Eastern Area Coordination Center. The September 11 anniversary was significant for Ellen. *"I wasn't ready to share this before today,"* she said. *"The timing was right to share this with the staff on the anniversary date."*



Morgantown Field Office Notes

WAYNE NATIONAL FOREST VISITS MFO

On July 9, the Wayne National Forest Leadership Team traveled from Nelsonville, OH, to Morgantown, WV, to visit with the NA staff in the Morgantown Field Office. The visit provided an opportunity for staff introductions and for the Wayne staff to hear presentations on the work being conducted in State and Private Forestry programs. The objective of the meeting was to discuss our mutually benefiting partnership and to begin setting direction for additional future cooperation. Visiting from the Wayne were Forest Supervisor Mary Reddan, Natural Resources Staff Officer Richard Garcia, Operations Staff Officer Carleen Yocum, Public Affairs Officer Ken Arbogast, Administration Officer Mary Carpenter, District Ranger (Ironton RD) Mike Baines, and District Ranger (Athens RD) Myra Williamson. The MFO has been working closely with the Wayne in providing technical assistance in Forest Health Protection and in the Economic Recovery component of the Economic Action Program. Greater cooperation in these programs is expected as gypsy moth defoliation threatens the Forest and as the Forest places more focus on Economic Recovery. Numerous other opportunities for cooperation were discussed that would involve Cooperative Forestry, Forest Health Protection, and IMA components of the MFO's work.

BALTIMORE URBAN RESOURCE INITIATIVE INTERNS SHARE SUMMER EXPERIENCE

A beautiful summer day was the backdrop for Baltimore's 2002 Urban Resource Initiative Intern culmination. Four interns, Josh Grinath (Cornell University), Kriti Sharma (University of North Carolina), Sabrina Hudson (Towson State University), and Lawrence McCoy (Morgan State University) presented their summer projects to the Parks and People Foundation staff and guests on August 6, 2002. **Anne Cumming**, Peggy Harwood, Wilhelmina Bratton, Morgan Grove, and Erika Svendson attended from the U. S. Forest Service.

Greenmount Street Tree, Tree Pit and Vacant Lot Inventory.

Sabrina Hudson and Lawrence McCoy, Inventory Interns, were supported through a USDA Forest Service NE/NA Civil Rights Grant and cooperative agreement with the Morgantown Field Office and the Parks and People Foundation. In the Greenmount neighborhood, the inventory revealed 347 trees and 188 vacant tree pits. The most common trees were red maple and Littleleaf Linden. These data will be used in conjunction with the neighborhood associations for a comprehensive green space management plan.

Garden Mosaics.

Josh Grinath, Green Career Ladder Intern, mentored, guided, and directed five Baltimore teens with the help of Gary Letteron, long-time Parks and People Partner. The teens, who earned minimum wage, learned and practiced the art and science of gardening. Throughout the summer the group spoke with local gardeners about their gardens, analyzed soil samples, interpreted aerial photos, created a seasonal calendar, planted free-standing flower pots, and did copious amounts of weeding. This was truly a work AND study summer for the teens. Josh used elements of *Project Learning Tree* to instruct and emphasize basic principles of ecology and plant biology.

Portrait of a Garden.

Kriti Sharma, Baltimore Ecosystem Study Intern, inventoried community gardens throughout the whole city of Baltimore. After defining "community," Kriti determined there were 84 gardens city-wide that met two of three criteria based on landownership, maintenance, and use. She established a database that described gardens with 25 different characteristics. Some of her results included the illuminating fact that half of all Baltimore community gardens are used for flowers, the other half for vegetables; 74 percent of the gardens are communally maintained and 80 percent are on city owned land. She found that the gardeners felt they needed a larger volunteer base, more tools, and a way to establish infrastructure (fences, etc.). Kriti's recommendations to enhance community gardens in Baltimore included verifying ownership data, facilitating a communication network between gardeners (Kriti showed a prototype database as an example), and encouraging youth involvement.



REGIONAL ECOSYSTEM ANALYSIS

This summer, the Mid-Atlantic Center for Urban and Community Forestry has assisted with some of the groundwork needed for a Regional Ecosystem Analysis in sections of Philadelphia and southern New Jersey. Using handheld IPAC computers loaded with ArcPad and City Green software, **Donna Murphy**, Center Coordinator, and Scott Harris, Center Intern, worked with partners from American Forests, the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission, and the PA DCNR Bureau of Forestry to prepare for a training session and inventories of selected sites. On Thursday, August 15th, the Center's inventories were completed. The data attained from the sites will be used with Landsat and aerial imagery and figures extrapolated from the data that project the dollar value of storm water and air quality benefits provided by urban forests. The analysis is expected to be used for future watershed-based planning and policy. The project is being coordinated by Patrice Carroll, Metropolitan Initiative Coordinator, U.S. Forest Service.



NEW FACE FOR THE MORGANTOWN FIELD OFFICE

Meet Jeff Bejune, a new forest products technologist for the Morgantown Field Office. Jeff will be with the field office for the next 12 months. He is assisting the field office with normal Economic Action Program activities and Wood In Transportation Program activities. In particular, he will be assisting with Ed Cesa's Forest Service responsibilities and duties while Ed is on a part-time, temporary Interagency Personnel Assignment with the West Virginia University, Appalachian Hardwood Center. Jeff is currently finalizing a major publication for the Wood In Transportation Program. The publication pertains to the design and use of portable timber bridges.

Jeff has worked for Home Depot and Structural Systems, Inc. He was a member of the U. S. Air Force from 1988 through 1996 where he was an Aircraft Pneudraulic Systems Journeyman, stationed at the Yokota Air Base, Japan. His formal degrees include: Master of Science – Wood Science and Forest Products, VA Tech; B.S. – Building Materials and Wood Technology, University of Massachusetts; B.A. – Management Studies, University of Maryland; and A.A. – Japanese Studies, University of Maryland.

Jeff enjoys outdoor activities such as fishing, skiing, mountain biking, camping, kayaking, hiking, and softball.

MORGANTOWN EMPLOYEES ASSIST WITH NATIONAL FIREFIGHTING EFFORTS

Several employees from both NA and NE have been involved in August and September with the national firefighting efforts:



- Dan Kincaid** - R-2 Large Fire Review for fires in Colorado, Wyoming, and South Dakota; and Fire Prevention Team Member for the Rocky Mountain Region based out of the BLM State Office in Lakewood, Colorado.
- Melissa Emerson** - Pack Rat Fire, Tonto National Forest, Payson, Arizona – Personnel Time Recorder and Equipment Time Recorder.
- Karen Felton** - Pack Rat Fire, Tonto National Forest, Payson, Arizona – Personnel Time Recorder.
- Rod Whiteman** - Biscuit Fire, Siskiyou National Forest, Cave Junction, Oregon – Helicopter Manager.
- Chuck Coole** - Biscuit Fire, Six Rivers National Forest, Crescent City, California – Computer Specialist.
- Toni Jones** - Northwest Coordination Center, Portland, Oregon - Computer Support
- Tinathan Coger** - Eastern Area Coordinating Center, St. Paul, Minnesota - Dispatch

St. Paul Field Office Notes

ST. PAUL FIELD OFFICE CONTRIBUTES SURVEY STAFF FOR EMERALD ASH BORER

Mike Connor (Group Leader), **Steve Katovich** (Entomologist), **Joe O'Brien** (Plant Pathologist), **Manfred Mielke** (Plant Pathologist), **Marc Roberts** (Forester), and **Timothy Reynolds** (Computer Specialist), are assisting the Michigan Department of Agriculture with Emerald ash borer survey and detection efforts in metropolitan Detroit. This is a great example of interagency cooperation as the **Durham Field Office**, the **Intermountain Region**, the **Minnesota Department of Agriculture**, the **Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources**, and the **North Central Research Station's Forest Inventory and Analysis** staffs have all sent personnel to aid survey efforts. As of September 16, the destructive insect has been found within 20 miles of Toledo, Ohio, heightening concern regarding the size of the infestation.

GOOD NEWS FOR MINNESOTA'S 2002 GYPSY MOTH TREATMENT SITES

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture believes that their springtime efforts to eradicate gypsy moth infestations in the Minneapolis metropolitan area may have been successful. In May, the Minnesota Department of Agriculture treated a 425-acre area of southwest Minneapolis and a 1,850-acre area near Golden Valley with *Bacillus thuringiensis*, var. *kurstaki* (Btk). The treatment effort was the State's largest ever as it encompassed an area more than 1,000 acres larger than the 56 other gypsy moth treatments of previous years. The Department surveyed for caterpillars and moths after the treatment and has been surprised to find only two caterpillars and six moths within their survey. Since this was Minnesota's worst infestation ever, and the caterpillar hatch was estimated in the millions, the survey indicates that the Btk treatments reduced the gypsy moth population substantially. The **Forest Health Staff** of the St. Paul Field Office provided technical and personnel resources to the Minnesota Department of Agriculture on this project.



MEETING OF THE MINDS

Lisa Burban, Group Leader for Urban and Community Forestry, is working with Bill Kruideneir, University of Illinois, to design and facilitate a national research summit for urban forestry scheduled for December 2002. The purpose of the summit is to identify urban forestry research and technology transfer priorities for the next 10 years. The summit is funded by the National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council and is sponsored in part by the International Society of Arboriculture and the Tree Fund.

CHECK OUT THE GREAT LAKE STATE'S CERTIFIED WOOD RESOURCE CENTER

The Great Lakes States (Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Iowa) Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) has launched a website to help customers looking for certified wood products find and acquire products in sufficient quantity to meet their demands. Visitors will find suppliers of source material (standing timber), raw material (dimension lumber), and suppliers of finished materials. You can visit the Great Lakes FSC Resource Center at: <http://www.greatlakescertifiedwood.com/>.

ST. PAUL FIELD OFFICE MAPS FEATURED IN U.S. NEWS AND WORLD REPORT

Maps and images created by **Quinn Chavez**, GIS Specialist, were featured in the September 9 issue of *U.S. News and World Report*. The magazine featured an article on invasive insects and their effect on the nation's forests. Emerald ash borer was mentioned as the latest addition to the growing list of species of concern.

CHESTNUT'S LAST STAND

Gina Childs, Information Management and Analysis, authored the article "Chestnut's Last Stand" featured in the August 2002 issue of *Wisconsin Natural Resources* magazine. The article describes scientists' efforts to save the last remaining stand of American chestnut in the world, located in La Crosse, Wisconsin. Funding for the scientific efforts is sponsored in part by the Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry. The Wisconsin Natural Resources magazine has an estimated readership of more than half a million.

LOOK OUT TIGER WOODS!

Manfred Mielke, Plant Pathologist, and **Joe O'Brien**, Plant Pathologist, were recently awarded the "Reigning Champions of the Great Lakes Open." The Great Lakes Open is an annual golf tournament organized by USDA Forest Service Region 9 retirees and open to all current and former USDA Forest Service employees, family, and friends. Joe and Manfred had the lowest, combined team score.

THE SUSTAINABLE WOODS COOPERATIVE HOSTS FALL FORESTRY FESTIVAL

On October 5, the Sustainable Woods Cooperative, located in Lone Rock, Wisconsin, will host a Forestry Festival to include: kiln tours, chainsaw demonstrations, wood carvers, musicians, products for sale, Amish horse loggers, wood cutting and sawing, Wood Mizer, Husqvarna demonstrations, and a pig roast. There is a \$5 admission with free admission for volunteers and exhibitors. For more information, contact the Sustainable Woods Cooperative at swc@mhtc.net, 608-583-7100 or <http://www.sustainablewoods.com>.



Editor's Corner

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DEADLINE!

Deadline for the next issue of NA News Notes will be **October 16, 2002**. Please mail articles to Tinathan Cogger at tcogger@fs.fed.us.

