Photo of the Week Contest

The winner for Week 3 has been chosen! This week’s picture was taken by Jakob Berger in Round Top, New York. Interesting photos of anything (within reason) are accepted, so submit your photo! To submit your own photo to be judged for next week’s contest, send the file (in its original format; please do not resize it to make it smaller) to us at:

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Be sure to include your name, major, and a short description of where you took your photograph and what it is of. Be sure to have your photo submitted by the Friday before the week you would like it to compete in. Also, you can submit your photo for multiple weeks! Winners of the weekly photo contest will have their photo shown at the Student Awards Ceremony in the Spring and will be eligible to win the Photo of the Year contest. Good luck!

What’s inside this issue?

Innovative partnership to protect Colorado Springs water supply

Participate in Earth Day service projects, Saturday 4/20!

New job and scholarships opportunities are coming in every week. Check out them out in this issue or follow the links on Page 4 to see more online!

What is the Fernhopper?

The Fernhopper is a weekly newsletter sent out to all College of Forestry (CoF) undergraduates to inform them of upcoming events, recent forestry news, new opportunities and other college affairs.

Questions or Suggestions?

Looking to submit an article?

Here at the Student Services Office, we are always looking for ways to improve our newsletter and would love to hear any suggestions or ideas you might have to this end! We are also always looking for student writers to share their opinions on forestry and natural resource related issues in our Forum section. Please contact us at either 541-737-1594, our email address provided below, or stop by the office at 140 Peavy Hall. We hope you enjoy this week’s issue and that you contact us soon!

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Forestry News

Innovative partnership to protect Colorado Springs water supply
April 10, 2013
US Forest Service

The U.S. Forest Service and Colorado Springs (Colo.) Utilities recently announced a new 5-year partnership to help restore the areas burned by the devastating Waldo Canyon Fire that tore through part of the west side of the city in 2012.

Through the partnership, Colorado Springs Utilities will invest approximately $6 million in support of the watershed health goals and activities over the next five to 10 years. The Forest Service will complete on-the-ground project planning and treatment in areas that complement Colorado Springs Utilities investments. During an event at the Flying W Ranch—a 60-year-old tourist attraction destroyed in the fire—Harris Sherman, USDA Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, met with Congressman Doug Lamborn, U.S. Senators Mark Udall and Michael Bennett, and representatives from the Coalition for the Upper South Platte, El Paso County Commissioners and the city of Colorado Springs.

“This partnership will ensure improved water quality for the residents of Colorado Springs,” Sherman said. “Collaborating on watershed restoration will have a long-term positive impact on forest and watershed health and allows us to accomplish more on-the-ground projects.”

The innovative partnership between Colorado Springs Utilities and the Forest Service is preserving and protecting crucial watersheds that provide water to Colorado’s second largest city. The signing of the agreement establishes work to reduce wildfire risk, restore burned areas, minimize erosion impacts and coordinates pre-suppression wildland fire efforts.

“This agreement … solidifies a critical partnership with the Forest Service, a partnership that has benefited our water supply and community for decades,” said Gary Bostrom, chief water services officer for Colorado Springs Utilities. “Our ongoing relationship with the Forest Service will help us channel customer rate dollars in the most efficient way possible to protect our most vital resource and the forest that surrounds it.”

The human-caused Waldo Canyon fire started June 23, 2012, and left a scar of more than 18,000 acres, cost millions of dollars to fight, caused the evacuation of 32,000 people, destroyed 346 homes and killed two people. The fire has since been labeled the largest, most expensive and destructive fire in Colorado’s history.

CoF Weekly Calendar

Important Events for CoF Students

Tuesday, April 16th

“Past and Future Extent of European Beech,” Fred Saltre, OSU
2:00 pm @ ALS 4000
Part of the Conservation Biology Institute and the Biological and Ecological Engineering Department Corvallis Climate Change Community Spring Seminar Series.

Wednesday, April 17th

“A tale of two poplar pathogens,” Richard Hamelin, Department of Forest Sciences, University of British Columbia
3:30 pm @ALS 4001
Part of the Center for Genome Research and Biocomputing 2012-2013 Seminar Series.

Thursday, April 18th

“Moving Forward as a Whole Woman,” speaker Julie Stewart
12:00 pm @ OSU Women’s Center
Presented by the OSU Women’s Center in honor of Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Saturday, April 20th

Earth Day Service Day Projects
All day—5 different project locations
The Center for Civic Engagement is sponsoring 5 environmentally focused service projects in recognition of Earth Day 2013. Pre-registration is required, at oregonstate.edu/cce/earthday.

The Fernhopper Blog

Ever felt like you’re always one step behind when it comes to the ins and outs of the academic system? Fortunately, the Student Services Office maintains the Fernhopper Blog, which keeps alerted to important academic news and deadlines. From explanations of major, minor and option coding to how to score your next big scholarship, the Fernhopper Blog has a wealth of information geared towards enhancing your college experience.

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Opportunities

Scholarships

Ben Meadows scholarships
Apply for the Society of American Foresters (SAF)-sponsored Ben Meadows scholarships. Full details on the program can be found here: http://www.benmeadows.com/scholarships/
Deadline for applications is June 30, 2013.

Oregon Logging Conference Foundation Scholarship
The recipients will be selected by the OLC scholarship committee in May and notice will be sent out to lucky recipients in late May. This scholarship is open to students who are in the following areas of study: forest and wood-related areas, welding, cat-skinning, diesel mechanics, choker-setting and etc.
If you have any questions, please contact Rikki Wellman at 541-686-9191, or click here for the application.
Deadline: 5 pm on April 15, 2013.

Bioenergy undergraduate interdisciplinary scholarship
Due date: April 19, 2013
A new bioenergy interdisciplinary minor, open to all majors at OSU. Click here for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Céleste at barthelc@science.oregonstate.edu.

Jobs

Career Fair
All Majors Career Fair will take place on Tuesday, April 23 from 11-4 in the Alumni Center. Students can find jobs, internships, and grad school opportunities. Students can view which employers will be attending the career fairs here, the majors they are recruiting, as well as the positions they are hiring (interns, P/T, F/T positions, etc.).
Sign up for Speed Mock Interviews on Beaver JobNet to practice interviewing with Employers and Career Specialist.

Beavers Wanted: How to prepare for Success at the Career Fair
Monday April, 19th from 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm in the OSU Library: Willamette East & West Rooms.

Creating a Stand-Out Resume:
Writing a stellar resume can be challenging! These tips can help you make it stand out! Doug Rice from Enterprise Holdings will present on Monday, April 22 from noon to 1 p.m., in the OSU Valley Library: Willamette East & West.

Volunteers Needed for Wildlife Habitat Project
When: Saturday April 27th.
Join Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation for a day of fun working on the McKenzie River Ranger District of the Willamette National Forest, removing scotch broom from elk foraging grounds. This is an excellent opportunity to network for summer jobs! Contact Kati McCrae (RMEF) at rmeffmissions@gmail.com, 541-521-0251 OR Penny Harris (USFS) at pjharris@fs.fed.us.

SLI Student Staff Positions 2013-14
Student Leadership & Involvement is hiring for multiple staff teams within the department for the 2013-2014 academic year. SLI hires responsible, open-minded and motivated students who want to enrich the diverse campus community through support and mentoring of other students. Over 52 paid student staff positions on the following teams for 2013-14 academic year: SLI Information Desk, Student Events & Activities Center, Peer Leadership Consultants/Center for Leadership Development, Center for Civic Engagement, Student Sustainability Initiative, and Memorial Union Program Council.
Information and applications available here: http://oregonstate.edu/sli/applications. Candidates may apply for more than one position. The application deadline for most positions is Friday, May 3rd. Some vary however, so pay attention for the positions you are most interested in.

More than 35 internships!
The City of Seattle has summer internships available to students majoring in a wide array of subjects with a few more still to be posted. To view them go to the Student Opportunities page at www.seattle.gov/jobs. Be sure to read the posting completely, making note of the education requirements and the requested attachments before completing the online application.

SSI is looking for Interns
We have opened 4 intern positions including Energy Projects Intern, Food Projects Intern, Events Intern, Transportation Projects Intern, and Design Intern. If you are interested in any of the following, please submit a cover letter and resume to the SSI Director at ssi.director@oregonstate.edu. To find out more about the internship please visit our jobs page: http://oregonstate.edu/ssi/jobs.

Summer Field Crew Needed
Summer field crew is needed for a forestry/silviculture research project. Start date would be June 24th or slightly thereafter, working 4 days a week, ~10 hours per day, for 6-7 weeks. There are four openings on the crew, 3 field positions and one field/lab position. Need to be able to complete physical tasks on rough terrain. Experience with forest cruising and forest measurements preferred. Submit resume and letter of interest to Adam Burke-Adam Burkes@oregonstate.edu.

Peace Corps Information Session
Wednesday, April 24, 5:30 p.m., Bexell 323. Stop by for more information! Peace Corps is a 27-month compensated volunteer opportunity in over 70 countries worldwide. Benefits include free travel, living allowance, medical and dental coverage, technical and language training, loan deferment, competitive eligibility for federal jobs, graduate school benefits and a readjustment allowance of more than $7,000. Sarah Kassel, Regional Representative for the Peace Corps, will be on campus for the career fair on April 23.

RARE AmeriCorps Program
Application due: April 27, 2013
Resource Assistance for Rural Environments (RARE) is a unique AmeriCorps Program serving Oregon’s rural communities through economic and community development and natural resource planning. For more information about the RARE program please visit our website: http://csc.uoregon.edu/rare. If you have any questions please contact us via email us at: rare@uoregon.edu or telephone at: 541.346.2879.

Applying for federal jobs?
Check out this How To for seasonal positions! And learn more about the Pathways program here.

Track Your Service/Volunteer Hours
Please help us to report on the great work that OSU students have accomplished in our community. Forms available online at http://oregonstate.edu/cce/forms.
More Opportunities

Miscellaneous

Undergraduate Researcher of the Year Award
For the first time ever, OSU plans to recognize an OSU student as its "Undergraduate Researcher of the Year." This award, which seeks to recognize significant scholarly efforts (research- or creativity-based) inside and outside of laboratory environments, will be presented to one student participant in the Celebrating Undergraduate Excellence (CUE) event to be held on the MU Quad on May 21. Students in all majors are eligible. Nominations for the award are due no later than April 19 and must come from faculty mentors. Please direct questions to Kevin Ahern at ahermk@onid.orst.edu

"Bring your Kids to Campus" Day
When: Friday, April 26. This Corvallis campus event is a way to celebrate family, the importance of education, and to highlight the myriad of family-friendly activities on campus. Friday, April 26 is an early release day for the Corvallis School District, and coincides with national Bring Your Sons and Daughters to Work Day (Thursday, April 25). More information on activities here!

Earth Day Service Projects
http://oregonstate.edu/cee/earthday
This year the Center for Civic Engagement is sponsoring 5 environmentally focused service projects in recognition of Earth Day 2013. All projects will be taking place Saturday, April 20th.

OR Society of American Foresters OSU Outstanding Student Award!
Congratulations to Gary Batliner, Forest Management, who has been awarded the 2013 Oregon Society of American Foresters OSU Outstanding Student Award! Gary will be recognized at the OSAF annual meeting in Pendleton on April 24-26.

Chillan, Chile Study Abroad
Final Information Session for Agricultural and Natural Resources Study Abroad Program in Chillan, Chile during Winter Term 2014. More info here. 15 April in Nash 204, 5:30-6:30

Siena, Italy Study Abroad
Deadline: April 15, 2013
Contact Lillian Read (Lillian.Read@oregonstate.edu), for more information.

Summer Field School

Earth Month Eco-Film Festival and Tree Walk
Films shown every Thursday in April in the MU Journey Room at 5:30pm. Upcoming films are: An Inconvenient Truth on 4/18, and Your Environmental Road Trip (YERT) on 4/25. Tree walk with Edward C. Jensen on April 22nd at 5PM at Peavy Hall courtyard. Contact Adam Shick, at ssi.visibility@oregonstate.edu.

School for Field Studies (SFS)
SFS creates transformative study abroad experiences through field-based learning in Environmental Studies and Research in Australia, Costa Rica, Bhutan, East Africa and Abroad Program in Chillan, Chile, and the Turks and Caicos Islands. Find out more at: http://www.fieldstudies.org/

Campus Creature Census
Registration due: April 15, 2013
The Spring Creek Project invites everyone to help us create the Campus Creature Census. You’re invited to choose a plant or animal, and contribute a portrait in prose or poetry, visual art or photography, or a brief field guide-type entry. Help us create an inspiring catalog of all the other-than-human creatures with whom we share the OSU campus. $100 prizes for the best STUDENT entries. DETAILS and GUIDELINES on our website: http://springcreek.oregonstate.edu/

The Big Idea: Your Ideas can Change the World
Startup Weekend Oregon State gives you a safe environment and a proven method to test your ideas! Oregon State’s Startup Weekend will be May 10 - 12 at the Club Level of Reser Stadium in Corvallis, OR. Registration is open.

Wild Rockies Field Institute—Scholarships Available
Scholarships are available for WRFI’s 2013 field courses. For full descriptions and application instructions, go to: http://wrfi.net/enroll/scholarships.html
The Wild Rockies Field Institute offers field-based, academic courses to undergraduate students. Learn more on our website: www.wrfi.net.

Western Forestry Graduate Research Symposium, 2013
When: April 22nd and 23rd. Graduate students will have the opportunity to present posters and/or give oral presentations. Click here to see who the Keynote speakers are this year, and here for the tentative schedule.

Scholarships
Cutting cost is important for students, especially with the current turmoil affecting our economy. Scholarships from the CoF can help! Scholarship applications with the CoF become available in mid-November and are accepted until February 1 of the following year. Students are encouraged to read through the eligibility and instructions thoroughly before completing the online application.

Employment
Looking for a permanent job after graduation? Need a summer position for those degree requirements? Fortunately, the Student Services Office keeps a daily listing of new job opportunities online that we receive from employers nationwide. Job descriptions are accompanied by company-submitted .pdfs containing all pertinent information and can be sorted according to your employment needs.

Looking to post your own opportunity?
Need volunteers or extra promotion for a club event? Know of an important scholarship or a rewarding contest that may interest CoF students? Then let us know about it! Be sure to include an event name, time, place, and a short 2-3 sentence description of the event as well as a web address or personal contact for interested readers to follow up on for more information. Then email it to us using the link below!

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