

# IOWA WOODLAND OWNERS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Winter, 1991

## Summary, November 1990 Board Meeting

The Board of Directors met November 10, 1990 at Marshalltown, IA.

The 1992 joint meeting with the National Walnut Council at the Amanas was discussed. An IWOA business meeting is planned to be held separately prior to the joint meeting and field trips.

It was noted that Tubex costs have been approved for cost share in both REAP and Federal costshare programs.

Arrangements for the 1991 Annual Meeting were discussed. President Grimes appointed a committee composed of Ted Yocum (Ch) Gary Beyer, and Terry Handley to proceed with the arrangements for the 1991 meeting. Bill Farris will serve as an advisor to the committee.

Per a suggestion from Dean Prestemon of the ISU Extension Service, it was decided to eliminate membership records at the Extension Office. All mail addressed to IWOA received at the State Forest Nursery is to be forwarded only to the Secretary/Treasurer unless directed to an individual.

Agreed to extend the 1990-91 membership from September 30, 1991 to December 31, 1991 in order to make the dues year coincide with the calendar year. This amendment to Article 9 of the Bylaws is subject to disapproval by the membership at the 1991 Annual Meeting if objections arise.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for January 12 in Marshalltown.

## Donation to Iowa FFA Foundation

The IWOA donated \$100 to the Iowa FFA Foundation to aid in sponsorship of a FFA Forest Management Award. IWOA will be represented at the awards meeting.

## Tree Farm Featured

An article, "Iowa, the Christmas Tree State", written by Bill Leonard, and featuring IWOA Board Member Jack Miller's tree farm near Runnels appeared in the December 2, 1990 issue of the DES MOINES REGISTER. This excellent article about Christmas trees included a photo of Jack and some of his trees.

## Good News on Dues!

Note that recent Board action automatically extends the 1991 memberships from September 30 to December 31 at no additional cost to members. However, if you have not paid your 1991 dues, your dues are now delinquent, and this is your last issue of the Newsletter. The first line of the mailing label indicates the last year for which IWOA records indicate that your dues are paid. To pay dues, simply clip the Membership Application/Renewal form on the newsletter and mail to the address indicated on the form along with your check for \$10. Please fill out the renewal form completely.

## 1991 Annual Meeting

The 1991 Annual Meeting Committee (Ted Yocum, Gary Beyer and Terry Handley) met December 10 to initiate arrangements for this meeting, which will be held in Ames. More detailed arrangements are in process.

## Membership Cards

With recent changes in the procedure for handling membership renewals (and new memberships), the cards sent out indicating your membership status have been delayed, but should be in the mail in January. The first line of the mailing label does show your current dues status and member category.

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## IWOA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL FORM

DUES SCHEDULE (Membership Runs From Jan. 1 through Dec. 31)

Please check category:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> MEMBER (Iowa Woodland Owner -- Voting)                           | \$10  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NEW MEMBER joining between Aug. 1 and Dec. 1                     | \$5   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ASSOCIATE MEMBER (Non-Woodland Owner -- Non-Voting)              | \$10  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CONTRIBUTING MEMBER (Iowa Woodland Owner -- Voting)              | \$50+ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CONTRIBUTING ASSOCIATE MEMBER (Non-Woodland Owner -- Non-Voting) | \$50+ |

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (home) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (office) \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

Please Indicate the Following:

Number of Forest Acres Owned \_\_\_\_\_  
Forest Reserve ? (Y or N) [ ]  
Tree Farmer ? (Y or N) [ ]

Make check payable to and mail to:

Iowa Woodland Owners Association  
2404 S. Duff  
Ames, IA 50010

## Note from the Editor

In order to improve the usefulness of this newsletter to IWOA members, we need comments, suggestions and information items from members. In addition to IWOA administrative matters, what types of information would you like to see? Have you considered submitting pieces for publication in the Newsletter? Please convey your thoughts or inputs to any IWOA Officer or Board Member or to the newsletter editor, E. O. Frye, 2735 14th. Ave., Marion, IA 52302-1848.

## An Interesting Quote

From the December 1, 1990 issue of the WOODLAND REPORT of the National Woodland Owners Association, "Recent studies nationwide have confirmed that from now on the majority of America's forest production is going to be grown and harvested on taxpaying small woodlands."

IWOA members might consider joining NWOA, which publishes both the quarterly NATIONAL WOODLANDS MAGAZINE and, eight times per year, the WOODLAND REPORT. Dues are \$15 per year. Write to: National Woodland Owners Association, 374 Maple Avenue East, Suite 210, Vienna, VA 22180, or phone them at 703-255-2700.

## Woodland Ownership by IWOA Members

To date, approximately one half of the IWOA members have reported the woodland acreage owned or managed by them. From a preliminary statistical analysis of these figures, it is estimated that IWOA members own or manage about 45,000 acres of Iowa woodlands. Individual holdings range from one acre to over 500, with the median being about 85 acres, and the largest reported corporate tract is 7,000 acres. A more detailed analysis will be performed as additional information becomes available. In order to support this project, please indicate the number of woodland acres owned when renewing memberships.

## The President's Corner

We had many requests for the source of the 16 full-color posters explaining different aspects of life in the forest that we used at our booth at the State Fair last summer. They can be obtained from "Life of the Forest", American Forest

Foundation, 1250 Connecticut Ave. NW, Suite 320, Washington, D.C., 20036, at a cost of \$15 for the set.

IWOA thanks Jerry Kemperman, Forestry Services Supervisor, and the foresters in each of the 12 Iowa forestry districts for handling delivery of the birdhouses awarded by IWOA as prizes at the State Fair and for their other help in the project. Favorable comments were received about the program.

As is mentioned in the Summary of the November Board meeting, the National Walnut Council has invited IWOA to hold its 1992 Annual Meeting in conjunction with the Council's meeting which will be held August 2-5, 1992, at the Amana Holiday Inn. The IWOA Board at its most recent meeting accepted the invitation. It promises to be a most exciting meeting. A number of experiments are underway which will be the subject of papers at the meetings and field trips.

We can all be pleased and excited about the environment for trees and tree projects in Iowa. A 1990 survey by the U. S. Forest Service reports that forested land in Iowa increased by 400,000 acres since the last survey in 1974. The earlier survey showed 1.6 million acres and the 1990 survey 2 million acres. The TREES FOREVER organization has a spectacular record in promoting trees in Iowa and Iowa Electric is financing a tree planting program in cities within the area it serves. U.S.D.A. farm programs are encouraging the planting of trees (some 10,000 acres of trees have been planted on conservation reserve acres) and State Forester William Farris reports even more encouraging farm programs are in the 1990 Farm Act.

The Forest Stewardship committee of the D.N.R. recently issued its 1990 Iowa Forest Stewardship Plan. It reports that there are approximately 28,000 woodland owners in Iowa owning 1,291,000 acres. With IWOA membership at just under 400, think of the potential! (Based on IWOA records, it is estimated that IWOA members own or manage about 45,000 acres of woodlands. See preceding newsletter item.) We have, and are hoping to initiate a membership program which will bring a good many more Iowa woodland owners into IWOA membership. More, much more, about that later.

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