

TIMBER TALK

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Summary, June 20, 1998 Board meeting

The IWOA Board of Directors met at Marion, IA June 20, 1998. Present were Directors Eiben, Frye, Hansen, Krotz, Manning, Mills, Twedt and Woodruff. The meeting was called to order by President Manning.

Secretary Frye reported that the current membership is 379, compared with 367 at this time last year. He stated that he mailed the required annual Iowa Non-Profit Corporation Report in to the Iowa Secretary of State May 16, 1998.

Treasurer Mensinger's quarterly financial report was distributed. It showed a new worth of \$7,293.17, a slight decline from IWOA's net worth of \$7,390.54 at this time last year. The decrease is due to heavy contributions IWOA made to the Iowa Tree Farm Committee (to help support the Iowa Master Woodland Manager training program), the FFA and others.

President directed Secretary to prepare and submit an Annual Report of IWOA's operations to Mike Bevins, Sec/Treas of the Iowa State Horticultural Society by August 1.

Twedt reported on his preparations for IWOA's booth at the Iowa State Fair August 13-23, 1998. Terry Handley has agreed to construct another "Tree Cookie" display, for the present one that he made years ago is in poor condition. Board decided that IWOA should take orders for its tree identification booklets, because permission to sell items directly at the fair involves quite a bit of red tape. Frye to prepare suitable order forms. Mills presented sketches of proposed booth designs.

Hansen recommended that IWOA continue its relationship with FFA, and suggested that FFA be advised to send future communications to IWOA at the State Forestry Nursery.

Manning reported on arrangements for the July 17, 1998 IWOA-sponsored Field Day to be held at Bertch Cabinet Mfg. in Waterloo. Participants are to assemble in the Bertch parking lot at 9:00am, with tours through the Bertch facilities starting at 9:30am, then lunch at the nearby Bonanza restaurant, followed by a tour and talk at the Hartman Nature Center. Board set advance registration fees, payable to Manning, at \$5.00, and walk-in fees at \$7.00.

Manning reported on tentative arrangements for the 1998 Annual Meeting in the Dubuque area. Board agreed that the meeting could be centered at the Mines of Spain Nature Center in Dubuque October 3, with tours of the New Melleray Abbey and/or Cascade Forestry Nursery. Manning directed to pursue more detailed arrangements.

Hansen reported nothing new on the deer depredation problem. Krotz urged that IWOA and others apply pressure on IDNR to force them to do an Environmental Impact Statement on the deer situation.

Krotz stated that there have been no significant actions from the various Wetlands meetings. He also reported that the Forestry Roundtable meetings so far have not been productive in that everyone is talking about peripheral issues such as wildlife and not about trees, and no real action is being taken.

President appointed Mildred Grimes (Ch.), Greg Twedt and Vernon Winfrey as the 1998 Nominating Committee. The terms of Board Members Eugene Frye, Joe Hansen and Larry Krotz are expiring at the upcoming Annual Meeting. Frye presented a calendar of events for this process as required by the Bylaws.

Frye and Mills reported on the survey of members to seek opinions of the draft logos presented in the Spring issue of TIMBER TALK. A number of very thoughtful responses were received and the general feeling was that the present logo should be retained. Board took no action.

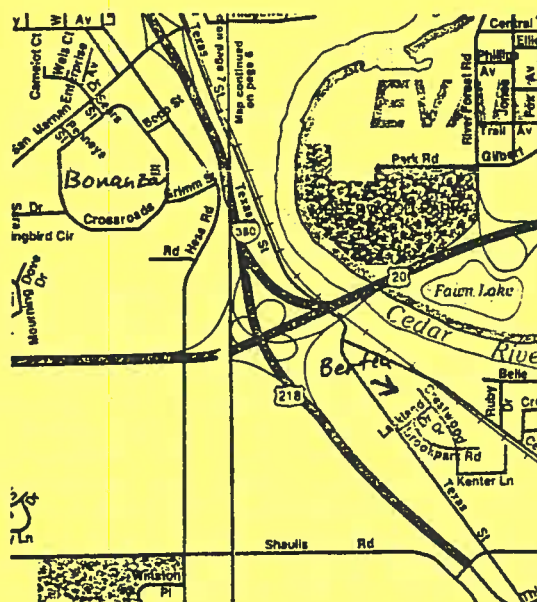
Next Board meeting was set for the evening of October 2, 1998 in the Dubuque, IA area.

1998 IWOA Forestry Field Day

The 1998 IWOA Field Day will feature tours through the Bertch Cabinet Mfg. facility in Waterloo, IA and the Hartman Reserve Nature Center in Cedar Falls. Participants should meet at the Bertch parking lot, 4747 Crestwood Dr., Waterloo at 9:00am for tours running from 9:30am to 11:30am.

Directions to Bertch: From the junction of highways US-20 and 218, proceed south to the first stoplight, then turn left (east) on

Shauls Rd. proceed to Texas St., turn left (north) on Texas St., proceed to Lakeland, turn right (east) on Lakeland to Crestwood. (See map below)



Bertch Cabinet Mfg.

Lunch will be on your own at the Bonanza Restaurant in the nearby Crossroads Shopping Center from 11:30am to 12:30pm. After lunch, meet at the Hartman Reserve Nature Center, 657 Reserve Dr., Cedar Falls at 1:00pm for tours and a talk from 1:30pm to 3:30pm.

Directions to Hartman Reserve: Go north on highway 218 to Greenhill Rd., then turn left (southwest) proceed about one block to Rainbow Dr. Turn right (westerly) on to Rainbow Dr., proceed to Laurie Ave., turn right on Laurie and follow the signs to the Hartman Reserve Nature Center. The reserve is approximately 9 miles northwest of the Bertch facility (See map below)



Hartman Reserve

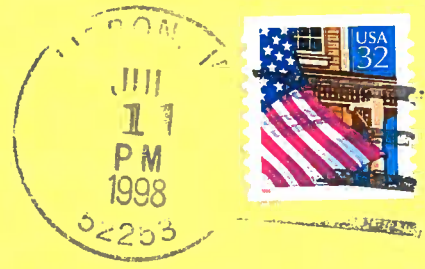
A pre registration fee of \$5 will be charged to cover the costs of refreshments and the tours. "At the door" registration will be \$7. Advance registration fees can be mailed to:

Allen D. Manning
1404 Colwell Ave.
Charles City, IA 50616

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2735 14th. Ave.
Marion, IA 52302-1848



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Mr. Thomas Brady
199 NE 80th. St.
Runnels, IA 50237-2028

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1998 IWOA Annual Meeting

The 1998 Annual Meeting will be held Saturday, October 3, 1998, and will be head quartered at the Days Inn, 1111 Dodge St., Dubuque, IA. The tentative agenda for the meeting calls for registration 8:30am to 9:00am followed by speakers until 11:00am. The IWOA Annual Meeting for the membership is scheduled for 11:00am to 11:30am. Lunch will be from 11:30am to 12:30pm. Tours of the New Melleray Abbey woodlands, Cascade Forestry Nursery and the Calvin Gatch farm are scheduled for the afternoon. IWOA will provide a bus for transportation of participants. Dinner will be at the Days Inn, and an after-dinner speaker will be featured. It is expected that the registration fee for the whole meeting will be less than \$30 per person. The final meeting schedule and registration materials will be mailed to members in mid-August.

1998 Nominating Committee

The Board of Directors appointed Mildred Grimes (Ch.), Greg Twedt and Vernon Winfrey as the 1998 Nominating Committee. This committee will nominate candidates for the IWOA Board seats of Eugene Frye, Joe Hansen and Larry Krotz, which are expiring at the 1998 Annual Meeting. Ballots will be mailed to voting members of IWOA in mid-August.

Voting members wishing to be considered for nomination to the Board should submit resumes to Mildred Grimes before August 1. The Board meets quarterly, usually on a Saturday morning in locations more-or-less in the central part of the state. Interim committee work is also expected of Board members. Board members elect IWOA's officers for the coming year at the Annual Meeting. For further information, contact:

Mildred Grimes
2353 233rd. St.
Marshalltown, IA 50158
Phone 515-752-0033

ISHS Annual Meeting

The Iowa State Horticultural Society's 1998 Annual Meeting will be held September 12, 1998 from 10:00am to 3:00pm. at the Walnut Creek National Wildlife Refuge near Prairie City, IA. The featured speaker will be former congressman Neal Smith. This will also afford the opportunity to meet new state horticulturist Mike Bevins, attend the ISHS award presentations, and see the Walnut Creek National Wildlife Refuge, which is the largest prairie reconstruction in the world. IWOA is an organizational member of ISHS

ISHS is accepting nominations for its Merit and Honor Awards for those individuals who have made a significant contribution to the success of their organizations and have made outstanding horticultural efforts and achievements. Nominations are due to ISHS by July 17, 1998. For further information contact:

Iowa State Horticultural Society
Wallace Office Bldg.
Des Moines, IA 50319
Phone 515-281-5402

IWOA LOGO

We received over a dozen very thoughtful comments on the draft logos presented in the Spring 1998 issue of TIMBER TALK as possible replacements for IWOA's current logo. A slight majority preferred retaining the current logo, but if it were to be replaced, most preferred Logo 3 as shown below.



Logo 3

Because the survey did not reveal a strong sentiment for changing the logo, the Board of Directors did not take any action on the matter at this time.

We thank all who took the time and trouble communicate their thoughts on the subject.

State Forestry Nursery Accepting Orders for 1999

The State Forestry Nursery at Ames is now accepting orders for seedlings to be delivered in 1999. At this time the selection is good, but this may not last, therefore it might be a good idea to get orders in early.

The nursery will again be purchasing several varieties of tree seeds from landowners.

For further information on purchasing seedlings or selling seed, contact the nursery at:

1-800-865-2477
or 515-233-1161

The President's Corner

I can't believe how the time seems to fly by—in the spring I thought I would never get done planting trees—then spraying. Now I have to finish my Christmas tree shearing.

The Field Day is all set for July 17 at Bertch Cabinets in Waterloo, followed by an afternoon tour of the Hartman Reserve Nature Center, which should be very interesting.

If you can help out at IWOA's booth at the State Fair this August, please call or write Greg Twedt at:

Greg Twedt
2104 Zeller Ave.
Marshalltown, IA 50158
Phone: 515-753-5351 e-mail: treefrog@adiis.net

This is a worth-while endeavor which can improve the visibility and influence of IWOA.

Larry Krotz and I met with Leo and Calvin at Cascade Forestry Nursery this past week and finalized some plans for our Annual Meeting October 3, 1998 in Dubuque, IA. More on the Annual Meeting later, but please plan on coming—I believe it will be worth your time to come.

Remember our Field Day July 17!

Allen D. Manning, President, IWOA