CEFTS 2018
COUNCIL OF EASTERN FOREST TECHNICIAN SCHOOLS CONFERENCE
JULY 30 – AUGUST 4, 2018
HOSTED by PENN STATE MONT ALTO

2018 CEFTS CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS

Beth Brantley, Penn State Mont Alto
Craig Houghton, Penn State Mont Alto
Peter Linehan, Penn State Mont Alto
Jeff Dubis, University of Maine Fort Kent
Ron Boldenow, Central Oregon Community College
Matt Chagnon, University of New Hampshire, Thompson School of Applied Science + Rose Chagnon
Lynn Jenkins, Wayne Community College (North Carolina) + Holly Jenkins
Brad Jones, Itasca Community College (Minnesota) + Laurie Jones
Steve Resh, retired Allegany College of Maryland
Dennis Ringling, retired Pennsylvania College of Technology
Tim Marshall, Maritime College of Forest Technology (New Brunswick, Canada) + Kathy Marshall

2019 CEFTS CONFERENCE – DAVEY TREE EXPERT COMPANY, KENT, OHIO!!
CEFTS 2018 – SCHEDULE

Monday, July 30
3:00 – 5:30 pm Check in at Penn National Golf Club and Inn, Fayetteville, PA
6:00 Registration and Dinner at Penn State Mont Alto Mill Café
7:00 CEFTS Executive Committee Meeting at Penn State Mont Alto

Tuesday, July 31
7:30 am Breakfast at The Mill Café
8:15 – 9:30 Introduction and tour of the campus buildings and arboretum: 15-minute power point history of PSMA, walk to chestnut demonstration, through Conklin (2nd floor), soccer field, through the Arboretum, Sci/Tech (Biology lab), Library where we can look at the archives – Tom Reinsfelder and Jonathan Hindman
9:30 – 10:00 Break at the Library
10:00 – 12:00 Forest Technology Issues “TED” Talks in 208 GS and see historic photos

   Keeping an Internet Voice for Your Program in a Time of Internet Marketing. Peter Linehan. Penn State Mont Alto
   Forestry Field Practices - A Look to the Future. Matt Chagnon. Thompson School, University of New Hampshire
   Use of LiDAR for Harvest Layout. Jeff Dubis. University of Maine Fort Kent
   Fun with Numbers (a.k.a. Statistics). Craig Houghton. Penn State Mont Alto

   Hot topics for us to discuss! You tube videos. Phone apps. Web presence. Social media. How to strengthen CEFTS and increase meeting attendance?

12:00 – 12:45 pm Lunch at The Mill Café
1:00 – 2:00 CEFTS Business Meeting
2:00 – 2:30 Break
2:30 – 5:00 Get on the bus! Drive across campus for a tour of the sawmill, former Pennsylvania State Tree Nursery, Bartlett Research Plot, travel to Mont Alto State Park, the Waynesboro Watershed operations (American chestnut planting, invasive species, effects of herbicide on mature eastern white pine, thinning operations in dry oak heath forest, and loblolly pine plantation.
5:15 Dinner at the Mill Café
CEFTS Auction following dinner
**Wednesday, August 1**

7:15 – 7:45 am Breakfast at the Mill Café
7:45 – 8:30 Travel by bus to Gettysburg
8:30 – 11:45 Gettysburg National Military Park Tour
   *Hosted by: Winona Peterson, Cultural Resource Program Manager; Randy Krichten, Biological Science Technician; Dafna Reiner, Biologist*

Winona Peterson – Cultural resources and battlefield rehabilitation
Randy Krichten – Invasive plants and historic orchard management
Dafna Reiner – Fire and vegetation management and deer management

11:45 – 1:00 pm Travel + Box Lunch (from the Mill Café) at Caledonia State Park
1:00 – 5:00 Michaux State Forest Tour
   *Hosted by: John Schwartzer, Service Forester; Michelle Blevins, Assistant Forest Manager; Phil Bietsch, Fire Forester; Mike Wright, Management Forester*

1:00-1:15 Caledonia State Park – Oak Pavilion
John Schwartzer: Welcome and overview of Michaux State Forest management context and social and ecological management priorities

1:30-2:30 Birch Run Reservoir
Stream habitat restoration priorities:
   Michelle Blevins - Road system impacts (Aquatic Organism passage, Road/trail Restoration)
   Phil Bietsch - Reservoir floor structures; **Mike Wright** - Large Woody Management (LWM)

2:45-3:30 Big Pine Flats
   Michelle Blevins - Recreational pressures and planning on the Michaux, past, present, and future
   Mike Wright - Big Pine Flats restoration plan
   Phil Bietsch - Fire/ER operations and Infrastructure on the Michaux

3:45-4:15 Dead Woman’s Hollow
   Phil Bietsch - Fire Ecology Restoration - Site specific (“true” barrens site management) and Landscape level planning for reintroducing fire as site and landscape level management tool
   Mike Wright - Permanent herbaceous opening management

4:30-5:00 Camp Michaux Learning Landscapes Project
John Schwartzer - History and Recreational interests create opportunities
Mike Wright - Landscape level vegetation and habitat planning
John Schwartzter - Demonstration forests (stand and landscape level)

5:30 Dinner at Beth and Craig’s House, Gene Odato - Artisan Pizza

**Thursday, August 2**

Breakfast (on your own) at the Founders Grille – Penn National Golf Club and Inn
Head Home! Travel Safely!