

**NORTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER, SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FORESTERS
SEPTEMBER 2004 NEWSLETTER**

CHAPTER MEETING: Thursday, September 2 at a NEW LOCATION: Lu Mandarin Chinese Restaurant, 702 S. Milton Rd, Flagstaff, (928) 773-0380. This restaurant is painted bright pink and located on the east side of Milton Rd., just north of the Embassy Suites hotel. Long-time residents will recall this building as the site of the former “Fiddler’s” restaurant. The current restaurant does not have a liquor license, however. We will meet in the “back room” on the north side. **Since this is a buffet, no RSVP is needed.** Members are welcome to just attend the presentation and business meeting.

5:30pm	Gathering and Socializing.
6:00pm	Chinese buffet, with a variety of dishes including many vegetarian choices. The cost is \$7.99 plus drinks and gratuity. Please pay for your dinner directly to the restaurant. Regular members (non-students) are asked to contribute to cover the dinner cost of the speaker and two student members. Recommended contribution is \$3.00.
6:50pm	Brief Business Meeting.
7:00pm	Presentation: Dennis Lund , currently with the Ecological Restoration Institute and formerly with the U.S. Forest Service, will discuss forest conditions in northern Arizona prior to European settlement as well as changes in our forests. Dennis has been looking through archives at Forest Service offices, museums, and other collections to find interesting and often beautiful historical photographs.

SUMMER MEETING: Denver Hospodarsky and Marty Lee hosted the summer SAF meeting at their beautiful home in Doney Park on July 9th, featuring barbeque for everyone and horseback riding for the younger visitors. A number of SAF members came, bringing terrific food and conversation. The summer social meeting has become an enjoyable chapter tradition. Thanks to Denver and Marty!

NEXT MEETINGS: The next regular chapter meeting will be on **October 8** (a FRIDAY meeting sponsored by the SAF Student Chapter/Forestry Club, with a special invitation to SAF members in the White Mountains, Verde Valley, and Prescott areas). Following meeting dates are **November 4** (Chapter Elections), and **December 2**. Don’t forget the **SAF Annual Meeting** in Edmonton, Alberta, October 2-6. Information and registration are available at <http://www.cif-saf-2004convention.org/natcon/>.

SAF REPRESENTATIVE: The SAF representative to the Greater Flagstaff Forests Partnership, Don Bertolette, sometimes has schedule conflicts that prevent him from attending the partnership’s monthly meeting (second Tuesday of each month, 9-12, Flagstaff City Hall). Since the partnership depends on a quorum to make decisions, its work can be slowed when members can’t be represented. If any SAF member is interested in substituting for Don on occasion, please contact him at 556-7449 to coordinate schedules.

NOMINATIONS: It is time to think about **SAF officers in 2005**. In November, the chapter will be voting on a chair-elect (who will serve as chair in 2006) and a secretary-treasurer (two-year term). We would like to present a strong slate of candidates for these positions! We will establish the Nominating Committee at the September meeting. If you wish to nominate a candidate or nominate yourself, please contact any of the chapter officers.

CONTACTS: You can reach us at Pete.Fule@nau.edu (523-1463), Denver.Hospodarsky@nau.edu, or Pringle@fs.fed.us (527-8285). Please share your suggestions or any information of interest to SAF members. The chapter newsletters are posted on the Coconino National Forest website (<http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/coconino/about/links.shtml>) and the Southwestern SAF website, <http://www.for.nau.edu/swsaf/>, under the heading “chapter news”.