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FORESTRY CONTEST

FEBRUARY 2008 NEWSLETTER

When and Where

May 8, 2008

The Delay Farm

Careywood

8:00 am – 2:00 pm

Pre-registration is mandatory and forms will be included in the next edition of our newsletter. Teachers and coaches making arrangements for travel should allow enough time for your group to enjoy the post-contest lunch and awards ceremony.

Team and/or Individual Competition

All teams will consist of four members. All scores will be figured into the team's total. Everyone will also be scored individually. **You do not have to be on a team to compete at the contest.** Anyone in grades 7 - 12 may compete as an individual. Awards are presented to both team and individual winners in both Junior (grades 7-8) and Senior (grades 9-12) divisions.

Prepare for All Test Stations

Timber Cruising; Plant ID; Compass and Pacing; Map Reading; Silviculture; Tool ID; Tree Health; Soil and Water Quality; Noxious Weeds, and Scaling are all possible test stations for the 2007 contest. If you need help preparing for any of these topics, contact your local Idaho Department of Lands, Cooperative Extension Service, or Natural Resources Conservation Service office. If you are unsure who to call in your area, leave a message for Karen at the IDL Office, which is 263-5104.

RAY DELAY, one of the original founders of the Idaho State Forestry Contest, passed away on January 14th. In 1983 Ray and Fairy hosted the first Forestry Contest on their Farm, and it has been held there ever since. Our thanks to Fairy and son Ray Jr. for continuing this legacy and hosting the Contest for the 26th year. Read about Ray on the Bonner SWCD website: http://www.icehouse.net/ksswcd/delay.htm

6th Graders: Last year we began a Rookie Competition division for highly skilled 6th graders. We will open the Rookie division for all interested 6th graders this year - they will study the same Manual and take the same tests as the Junior and Senior competitors, but compete only against other 6th graders.

Forestry Contest Manual

The Forestry Contest Manual is posted online at www.icehouse.net/ksswcd - under Common Links, and on the IDL website, http://www.idl.idaho.gov/bureau/ForestAssist/contest2008/contest2008.html

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