

Delaware Tree Farmer of the Year named on March 27

✘ The Delaware Forestry Association (DFA) will present its 2014 Tree Farmer of the Year Award at its annual meeting on Thursday, March 27, 2014 from 5:30 to 9 p.m. at the [Bridgeville Fire Hall](#), 311 Market St., Bridgeville, DE 19933, (302) 337-7272.

Tickets are \$27 for adults and \$12.50 for children ages 6 to 12. (Checks should be payable to "Delaware Forestry Association" – Mailing address: P.O. Box 344, Bridgeville, Delaware 19933). For more information contact: Steve Ditmer (phone: 410-896-9283). Please register by March 24.

DFA is a nonprofit organization established in 1982 to promote the sustainable practice of forestry and related industries on the Delmarva Peninsula. The association is a proud supporter of the Delaware Tree Farm Committee, part of the [American Tree Farm System](#). For more information on the Delaware Tree Farm Committee, contact Dorothy Abbott at dotad@udel.edu or (302) 730-4000.

In addition to its annual meeting in March, DFA holds a number of educational events throughout the year and also supports scholarships and grants to encourage young people to pursue careers and further educational opportunities in forestry and natural resources.

Forestry Scholarship Deadline: April 1

Once again this year, the Delaware Forestry Association will award a \$1000 scholarship to a full-time student who must choose forestry as their studies major and be accepted or enrolled in a two-year or four-year accredited school program. [Complete instructions and application forms](#) are available at delawareforest.com and must be received by April

1. The winner will be notified by May 1. Students will be eligible for up to 4 years of undergraduate study, upon reapplying, meeting the requirements, and being selected. All applicants must show financial need and academic merit. All applicants shall be in the upper 25% of their class in high school and maintain at least a 2.75 grade point average in college, based on a 4.0 scale. Scholarship money can be applied toward tuition, room and board, or books. The money will be sent directly to the college in which the student is enrolled. All applicants must submit a short essay describing their personal goals and reasons they feel they are deserving of this award. Applicants may be requested for a personal interview by the scholarship committee. The successful applicant will receive his or her award on Governor's Day at the Delaware State Fairgrounds.

Applications can be mailed to Delaware Forestry Association, c/o John Herbert, 20587 Milton-Ellendale Hwy., Ellendale, DE 19941.

Delaware Forestry Association Annual Meeting Agenda

- 5:30 p.m. – Registration & Social Hour
 - Silent Auction ... remains open till 7:45 pm
- 7:00 p.m. – Buffet-style Dinner
 - Oven Fried Oysters, Crab Cakes, Roast Beef, Mash Potatoes, Dumplings, Cole Slaw, Green Bean Casserole, Rolls & Butter, Dessert, Beverage
- 8:00 p.m. – Welcome
 - DFA Business Meeting
 - Election of 2014-2015 DFA Board Directors
 - Delaware Tree Farmer-of-the-Year Awards
 - Delaware Forest Service – Forestry Administrator's Update
- 9:00 p.m. – Wrap-up; Announcement of Silent Auction Winners and Adjourn

Those who wish to donate items to the silent auction are asked

to please bring them.