

Advisory Meeting  
*Southern Forest Nursery  
Management Cooperative*



**NOVEMBER 14, 2012**

**AUBURN UNIVERSITY, AL**

# Who Am I?



- **Background**
- **Education**
- **Work**
- **Skills**

# Background



- Alabama native
  - Birmingham
- Family
  - Parents, Two brothers
- Cross country
- Boy Scouts

# Auburn University



- **B.S. Forest Management, 2007**
  - Internship with D.W. McMillan Trust in Brewton, AL
- **M.S. Tree Physiology/Forestry, 2009**
  - Studied a naturally regenerated, 50-year-old longleaf pine stand in Escambia County, AL

# Weyerhaeuser Company

- Camden, AL: Red Hills salamander habitat mapping
- Columbus, MS: Switchgrass progeny trials
- Camden, AL: Mid-rotation forester





# Weyerhaeuser Company

- Washington, NC: Nursery/Seed Orchard technician

- December 2010 – September 2012

- Cultural duties:

- ✦ soil preparation
    - ✦ seed sow
    - ✦ irrigation
    - ✦ pesticide/fertilizer application
    - ✦ top-pruning
    - ✦ seedling harvest
    - ✦ fallow ground preparation
    - ✦ fumigation
    - ✦ flower / conelet inventory
    - ✦ orchard insecticide application
    - ✦ cone harvest

- Customer satisfaction

- Site maintenance

- Safety programs

# Skills



- Muscadine jelly
- Arrowhead hunter
- Bear tracker





# On the prowl...





# Trivia



- **QUESTION:** In what year was the Nursery Cooperative established?
- **ANSWER:** 1972
  
- **QUESTION:** Who initiated the Nursery Cooperative?
- **ANSWER:** Dr. Mason Carter

# Thank you for your membership!



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