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### Greetings,

It is hard to believe that fall is already around the corner. Mornings have been pleasantly cooler, and I am already starting to see the colors change in low lying hardwood areas. With fall approaching, it is time to announce the Maine SAF annual fall meeting. With 2011 being the International Year of the Forests, we felt it was fitting to plan our agenda around that very topic. The 2011 meeting, titled "International Perspectives and Implications for Maine's Forests, has an agenda packed with our fellow Mainer's who have experience abroad, or work in the international marketplace, and have

guidance on what they've learned that can be used here in our state.

September 14, 2011

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Maine Executive Committee, especially the Member's at Large, for the wonderful job they have done organizing and planning both our spring and fall meetings. We had a very successful spring series, and that would not have been possible without their hard work and dedication. Please take the time to thank them for their efforts. Also, don't hesitate to come to our committee with ideas regarding our upcoming meetings in 2012, or to demonstrate your own interest in becoming active on the Executive Committee. There is so much knowledge and experience in our membership, please come forward and share it with us! We welcome the opportunity to talk with all of you, and for you to join us in a leadership role.

The Maine Executive Committee hopes to see you all on October 11<sup>th</sup>, in Wells Commons on the University of Maine campus, for our fall meeting. Thank you for a great 2011, and I look forward to serving you again as your chair in 2012.

Sincerely,

#### **Katie Cousins**

Note: There have been changes in the MESAF Executive Committee board this year. Dan Simonds resigned from his term as chair earlier in the year, and according to by-laws, the chair elect (Katie Cousins) is fulfilling his term. The by-laws also allow the board to appoint a replacement for the vice chair, and Ken Lausten is filling the position for the remainder of 2011. Additionally, Mark Andrews was unable to complete his MAL term, and the 2011 committee is running with 2 MAL's.