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*Cover: Lifting pine seedlings at Forest Service's W. W. Ashe Nursery (Brooklyn, MS.)*

## *Tree Planters' Notes* Expands and Modernizes

### Welcome To New Editorial Board Members

We are proud to announce that the following individuals have agreed to serve on our editorial board: Dr. James P. Barnett (USDA Forest Service), Dr. Steven Grossnickle (British Columbia Research Inc., BCRI), Dr. John Mexal (New Mexico State University, NMSU), and Dr. Kenneth Munson (International Paper Co., IP). Expanding the board will enable us to better serve our readers by providing more access to authors "in the field." We will also benefit from their considerable years of experience in reforestation.

Jim Barnett has been with the Southern Forest Experiment Station, in Pineville, Louisiana, for 33 years and has authored over 200 articles. He has contributed much to our understanding of southern pine regeneration and has developed guidelines for growing seedlings in containers.

Steve Grossnickle works for a private research firm in Vancouver, Canada, and has been a leader in the field of stock quality assessment. He is currently also an associate editor for the *Canadian Journal of Forest Research*.

John Mexal has been professor of horticulture at New Mexico State University for the past 11 years. He is also the director of the Center for Forestation of the Americas, which is a training center and clearinghouse for reforestation and restoration activities, focusing on Central America (but also including North and South America).

Finally, Ken Munson is the manager for forest productivity, nurseries, and orchards for International Paper, headquartered in Dallas, Texas. Ken has worked for IP for the last 10 years in progressively responsible positions and has worked extensively in the Pacific Northwest as well as the South.

These folks will be indispensable to *TPN* as we continue to publish articles that can make a difference in reforestation success and as we expand into international areas. We extend a hearty welcome to them.

### Computer Age Hits Home

The age of the computer has finally arrived at *TPN*. This is the first issue that we are publishing using "the machine." Authors were instructed to submit both hard copy manuscripts and a PC disk version. We then submitted the edited disk to the design and printing contractors.

This change should speed up our publication time considerably, as we eliminate the "galley proof" stage, although authors will still be able to review final proofs of their manuscripts. No doubt you have noticed that our printing schedule has been tardy. Our apologies, but we have a very limited staff to put out the journal and our other assignments have a way of crowding in. In addition, our shift to peer



believe that it has been well worth the trouble. More and better manuscripts arrive in the mail, and the referee process has resulted in significant improvements in those articles sent through this review process. We still are getting articles in print in less than 10 months from their submission date. Check out our new article submission procedures on the inside back cover of this issue.

As always, we welcome your comments. So give us a call or FAX us.  
Thanks!

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