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The CCFFA annual business meeting was held on April 10th at The Old Spaghetti Factory in Clackamas. I would like to thank Mike Bondi for helping with some of the evening's presentations, as well as, Silvia Bowman for making all the great centerpieces. My wife was very impressed by Silvia's talent.

Social hour started at six in the evening and the official meeting followed. Some of the highlights included: the elections, OSWA report by Jim James, and an educational presentation by the new Hopkins Educator, Peter Matzka.

Election results were as follows: Derek Craven—President; Gary Bush—Vice President; Kevin Kaster—Board

member; Mark Willhite—Board member; Larry Stone—Board member; and Bill Lenon—Board member

Peter Matzka gave an excellent presentation on the future forestry leaders in Oregon. As an educator, Peter enjoys sharing his knowledge with others. I suggest visiting Hopkins Demonstration Forest and spending some time getting to know him. A good day to visit would be the second Saturday of the month where you cannot only learn from Peter, but also help out with projects around the property.

My favorite event of the evening was Jean McCloskey being presented with a plaque in thanks of her many years of volunteer work. I was lucky enough to join the board when she was president and have a lot of appreciation for her dedication to the association.

Hope to see everyone at next year's annual meeting! ■