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### The Extinction of the Passenger Pigeon

Stanley Temple, Professor Emeritus, Department of Forest and Wildlife Ecology, UW-Madison, memorializes the hundredth anniversary of the extinction of the passenger pigeon. The last surviving passenger pigeon died in a Cincinnati zoo in 1914. Temple traces the decline from billions of birds to one, to none. [Watch Video](#) [Read More](#)

### In the News

#### Timber Theft Alert

The WI DNR has contacted Wisconsin Woodland Owners Association to alert us of timber thefts of young aspen and paper birch in the following areas: Southern Oneida, Northeastern Lincoln, Northern Langlade, and Forest Counties. These thefts are occurring on private and public lands. Thieves are harvesting young stands of aspen and birch, generally in the 1-2.5" diameter sizes. WI DNR expects that thieves will continue to work in this area until the sap is running and trees are budding out. [Read More](#)

#### UW Arboretum Added to National Register of Historic Places

The University of Wisconsin–Madison Arboretum, the birthplace of restoration ecology, is now listed in the National Register of Historic Places. The listing recognizes the Arboretum's historic significance for pioneering developments in conservation science and ecological research led by influential conservationists like John Curtis and Aldo Leopold. In Wisconsin, the Arboretum is recognized because of its landscape architecture, education and research, architectural elements, and its hosting of a Civilian Conservation Corps camp in the 1930s. [Read More](#)

#### The Wisconsin Conservation Hall of Fame—Explore the Inductees

Located in Stevens Point, Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Conservation Hall of Fame is a non-profit organization composed of over 35 Wisconsin conservation-related organizations. The Wisconsin Conservation Hall of Fame Foundation was established to encourage the growth and practice of a conservation ethic as a legacy for the people of the State. The inductees into the Hall of Fame have significantly contributed to conservation programs, projects, public understanding, and conservation ethics within the state of Wisconsin and the nation. [Read More](#)

#### Tree Rings Contain Secrets From the Forest

Neil Pederson's introduction to tree rings came from a "sweet and kindly" college instructor, who nevertheless was "one of the most boring professors I'd ever experienced," Pederson said. "I swore tree rings off then and there." But they kept coming back to haunt him. "As a future forest ecologist, he needed to learn more about the history of forests. So he read countless articles in graduate school extolling the importance of tree rings in unraveling a forest's past. Ultimately, "I fell in love with the beauty and wealth of information found in tree rings," he said. "Since then, tree rings have revealed to me the absolute resiliency of trees and forests. I'm hooked." . [Read More](#)

#### Environmentalists Call for Carbon Capture and Storage – With Forests

We go on about wood here on TreeHugger, but often fail to see the forest for the trees. In fact, those forests could save us, by sucking carbon dioxide out of the atmosphere faster than we are making it. Instead, we are chopping them down and, in many parts of the world, failing to replant them. Every thing we say about the wonders of wood construction are meaningless if we don't replace every tree we turn into CLT and NLT and DLT and every other form of wood we invent. [Read More](#)

#### Winnie-the-Pooh's Real-life Forest Catches Fire

The woods that were the inspiration for Winnie-the-Pooh's fictional home recently were engulfed in a large, fast-moving fire. The blaze at Ashdown Forest in East Sussex in the U.K. broke out on the evening of April 28 and spread quickly, affecting as many as 50 acres. More than a half-dozen crews battled to get the fire under control. [Read More](#)



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To open the link, place your cursor over **Watch Video** or **Read More** and so on, and then left click on your mouse. That should open the link in a new window providing access to the specifically linked webpage.

With this issue of Woodchips, we will start listing the full URL to each hyperlink on a second page. If needed, the URL can be copied and pasted into your web browser address bar (also known as location bar or URL bar).

Past issues of Woodchips are found on the Forest History Association of Wisconsin webpage at <http://chipsandsawdust.com/> under News and Events.

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## Links shared in this issue of Woodchips

### The Extinction of the Passenger Pigeon

<https://wpt4.org/wpt-video/university-place/university-place-extinction-passenger-pigeon/> (video)

<https://www.wiscontext.org/wisconsin-and-extinction-passenger-pigeon> (Wisconsin Context Article)

### Timber Theft Alert

<https://wisconsinwoodlands.org/timber-theft-alert/>

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<https://news.wisc.edu/uw-arboretum-added-to-national-register-of-historic-places/>

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[https://wchf.org/wchf\\_inductees/](https://wchf.org/wchf_inductees/)

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<https://tinyurl.com/y6ezc8rs>

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<https://tinyurl.com/y3276hmo>

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<https://tinyurl.com/yyw3nbkn>