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Wildland Fire Use at the Crossroads – An Opportunity to Find Common Ground?

By Dave Campbell



Burnt Strip fire in the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness
El Capitan in the background

The Bitterroot National Forest has the longest history in the US Forest Service of allowing fire to play a natural role in Wilderness. Today the Anaconda-Pintler, Selway-Bitterroot and Frank Church River of No Return Wildernesses allow for fire use fires (those allowed to burn for the benefit of the ecosystem). Every lightning ignited fire is evaluated and a deci-

sion is made to suppress it or to allow it to burn. Over 100,000 acres of Wilderness on the Forest has been visited by naturally occurring fire since 1972. As an example in 2005, 35,000 acres of wilderness were visited by fire on the West Fork Ranger District alone, yet people still backpacked in the wilderness and outfitters continued to operate. Of course it's important to understand that these fires have burned at very different intensities. Some have killed every tree over many acres and many have burned on the ground clearing understory fuels and regenerating grasses and shrubs. Some people ask what benefits can be attributed to allowing fires to burn? Foresters and ecologists have long recognized fire as a primary force in the functioning of an ecosystem

and in Wilderness our goal is a naturally functioning ecosystem. The Wilderness Act challenges us to manage Wilderness as an area where "the earth and its community of life are untrammelled by man". We have long recognized that suppressing all fires would be "trammeling" the Wilderness. It is for that reason that decisions to allow or suppress fires in Wilderness are important. With the success of the past 34 years of wildland fire use in wilderness areas across the national forest system, we find ourselves looking toward the future with a growing acceptance and understanding from the public that fire plays an important ecological role. More and more people who own land use fire as a tool to manage their land and are able to witness the benefits first hand.

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Record Alpine Larch-Carlton Ridge Research Natural Area

On August 20th, 2006 four SAF members, Steve Arno, Clint Carlson, Dale Kerkvliet, and Bev Yelczyn hiked into the alpine larch, western hybrid area of the Carlton Ridge Research Natural Area south of Lolo, MT. This alpine larch is one

of the lowest elevation larches in the RNA at 5800 feet elevation. The diameter measured 26 inches at DBH and Steve cored the larch and got approximately 215 rings in 8 inches. Assuming relatively good growth toward the center of the tree

and a distance of 12 inches to the pitch, this tree is estimated at 320 years old.



A 26" DBH alpine larch. Left to right: Clint Carlson, Bev Yelczyn, Dale Kerkvliet. Not pictured, Steve Arno

Tepee Burner Moves to Fort Missoula

By Scott Kuehn, Historian Chair

In the spring of 2004, the Bitterroot Historical Society contacted us and asked if we'd be interested in an old Tepee burner. Several of us went down and looked at it and were amazed at its size. With eleven of them in the Missoula valley at one time and countless more from the Bitterroot to the Flathead Valley, there are only a couple still standing. With much eagerness, we reluctantly agreed to move it, because we all knew how big of a project this would be.

This Tepee burner, also known as a Wigwam burner because they resembled a Native American Tepee, (and yes we have been asked why we are going to burn Tepees?) was originally at the S&W sawmill in Conner. After the 1970 Clean Air Act, many of the Teepee burners could not meet the new emission standards and were thus destined for the scrap pile. In 1973, the Bitterroot Historical Society moved it to the Hamilton Fairgrounds to be used as their first museum building. Over the years since, they have moved into a building in Hamilton and the Tepee burners use as a museum became an afterthought. The fairgrounds wanted the space for parking and were about to tear it down and scrap the metal when they called us.

We began by asking a local house mover to shoot us a good-buddy, non profit price to move it. With a price of \$20,000 tag, we knew we were destined to move it ourselves.

With the help of L.M. Neilson and D&G Crane, we dismantled it in a day and a half. We loaded the 18 panels, each 40' long onto a trailer and headed for Missoula. The dome being 23' in diameter and 15' tall was way too big to move ourselves. We hired a house mover to move it and it took up two lanes of traffic from Hamilton to the fort.

We then built the 18 sided foundation. Being inside the city limits, we had to have a full set of plans made and an engineer sign off, just for an old Tepee burner. Mike Jensen at DJ&A drew up a set of plans and Sholty Construction began digging the foundation. Being an 18 sided building I had to think back to high school algebra to get this right: $360 \text{ divided by } 18 = 20 \text{ degrees}$, but then there was the inside and outside lengths, getting it in a perfect arc. Here is what the dictionary says about 18: "Eighteen is a composite number, its proper divisors being 1, 2, 3, 6 and 9. Three of these divisors (3, 6 and 9) add up to 18, hence 18 is a semi perfect number. It is a heptagonal number, and as the sum of the first three pentagonal numbers, is a pentagonal pyramidal number. It is also the sum of the totient function for the first seven integers." It's amazing we got it right, but we did.

With the 18 panels in pretty tough shape, we decided to straighten them and sandblast and paint them on the ground. 12,000 pounds of sand, countless hours of sandblasting and over 100 gallons of paint, they were ready to put up.



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The dome was originally a screen mesh to keep large embers from escaping, but was fiber-glassed over as part of the Bitterroot Historical Society trying to make it water proof. We then had to decide what color to paint the dome to look like it was glowing from the fire. Not knowing what “cherry red hot” looked like, I took a torch and heated up a steel plate and took a picture of it. Cherry red is actually a series of colors from bright yellow at its center and fading to orange, red then black. So if you use your imagination really hard, the dome looks like glowing steel (sort of, someone said it looks like a cheap sunrise after a hard night drinking, but I don’t think so).



One a cool Saturday morning after two years of preparation, we were ready to reassemble it. Again, Harold Davis from D&G crane donated their time. The local Ironworkers union donated several workers time. Unfortunately, we only had several SAF members show up which was really disappointing since this is the SAF's Forestry Interpretive Area. (Thank you to those who did show up, we appreciate your help).

With the crane, a man lift and a large fork, we were able to get all but two panels up by late Saturday. By Sunday noon, all of the panels were up the dome was bolted on. It took 1 ½ days, the same amount of time to take it down. There were 595 bolts, 594 nuts and 1188 washers that were all individually primed and painted before so all the bolts, nuts and washers were all the color of the panels.

It’s hard to explain, but when you walk up to the finished Tepee burner, it looks big, but nothing huge, but when you walk inside, you are looking up 5 ½ stories of emptiness and it looks HUGE! Thanks again for all those who helped and donated material and time.



SAF Membership Recruiting and Retention

by John Casselli, Membership Chair

The National SAF Director of Marketing conducted a membership conference call on September 14th, 2006 to update state chapters on demographic numbers and membership trends. Montana participated in this call that included representatives from Colorado, Virginia, New York, South Carolina, Inland Empire, and the D.C. area. Discussion topics included what others are doing around the country, what is working and where we should focus our membership recruiting and retention efforts. In general, Montana is using simi-

lar strategies as other state chapters. The call included some interesting demographics. Currently, 60% of members that drop SAF are between the ages of 24-29. SAF retains 79% of those having 5 years or more of membership. SAF has about an 11% purge rate. This purge rate appears high but is not uncommon for professional societies and associations as a whole. Conclusions from the call include:

- The current sliding dues structure is not a good incentive for recruiting;
- Strong agreement that our students and younger members are crucial to SAF;

- It is critical to keep members interested;
- SAF at all levels provide "valve" to members;
- Local chapters are key to day to day contacts, local events and meetings and;
- Focus group surveys to address member concerns and dues.

Testimonials from members will be included in the new membership brochure.

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Addressing Reliability and Uncertainty in the NEPA Decision-Making Process

By Mark Teply, Secretary-Treasurer

Editor's Note: This article is the first of a series intending to inform members and solicit their feedback as the Montana SAF develops a "white paper" on this topic.

Recently, several Federal projects have been successfully appealed. As a consequence, resource management objectives are not met. In claims made, reliability and uncertainty in data collection and analysis is often addressed. Plaintiffs argue that reliability and uncertainty are not always understood, communicated, and/or incorporated in the planning process.

Examples are plenty; often such claims cannot be successfully defended. This doesn't have to be the case.

Science exists to address such claims in a manner meeting standards faced in litigation. These standards, known as the Daubert criteria, can provide a guide to data collection and analysis in the decision-making process.

Specifically, these criteria evaluate:

- Are the methods centered upon testable hypotheses;
- Is there a rate of error associated with the method;
- Has the method been subject to peer review and;
- Is the method generally accepted in the scientific community.

In successful claims made, one or more of these criteria has not been met. "Professional judgment"

will not meet these criteria. However, by acknowledging these criteria at the outset of the planning process, choices can be made leading to a defensible decision.

Over the next several issues of *Montana Forester*, we will be highlighting several strategies for making choices that address reliability and uncertainty in the NEPA decision-making process. As a professional organization, we feel it appropriate and within our mission and core values to do so. In Montana, it is directly supportive of positions stated for management of Federal lands.

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Several SAF position statements advocate active management on Federal lands to achieve multiple resource management.

For more information on the SAF internet site:

<http://safnet.org/policyandpress/positionstatements.cfm>

If you have any questions, comments, feedback or want to be actively involved in this project, please contact me, Mark Teply, at 406-458-0045 or mteply@larixsystems.com.

Membership

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SAF would like the following job types as well as organizations to be represented: urban forester; manager; forestry consultant; State Forester; student; policy (director, legislative affairs, government relations), Nature Conservancy; and Timber Investment Management Organizations (TIMO).

If you would like to contribute a member testimonial or would like additional information, please contact the Membership Chair at 329-3749.

Forest Policy Update

By Gordy Sanders, Policy Chair

Montana SAF Forest Policy Committee will once again host a Legislative breakfast in January, 2007 for House and Senate Natural Resource Committees with an afternoon meeting with Governor Brian Schweitzer. The last several legislative sessions we have coordinated our hosted breakfast with Montana Forest Owners Association's "Legislative Listening Sessions" which SAF and MFOA members have appreciated.

The upcoming legislative session in Helena will most likely have numerous pieces of legislations of interest to our members. At this time there are 607 Bill Draft requests in although, very little is available and many will change significantly depending upon the election outcome. We will try to keep members informed on what legislation is introduced and the

Forest Policy Committee will review and discuss appropriate responses or actions consistent with our membership.

Nationally, the SAF Committee on Forest Policy and SAF National Office continue to engage on Congressional legislation such as:

- 2007 Farm Bill,
- Forest Emergency Recovery and Research Act,
- Appropriations, and ESA Reform,
- Timber and Estate Tax Bills,
- Invasives, and the Healthy Forests Partnership Act.

Additionally, the CFP Committee is working on position statements on: timber harvesting on public lands; old growth; herbicides; forest biotechnology; world forestry; and conservation easements.

SAF continues to increase our interaction and influence on

National Forest Policy through the leadership of Executive V.P., Michael Goergen and Policy Director, Rita Neznok. They have developed very productive partnerships with numerous organizations with similar interests as SAF members allowing for a more consistent and strategic approach to effective legislation and policy. We are making a difference in providing Congressional and Administrative representatives with guidance and credible science based information so informed decisions can be formulated.

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Executive Committee Meeting Minutes, September 8, 2006

As presented by Mark Teply to the Executive Committee

- Attending** Peter Kolb, Scott Keuhn, John Casselli, Bruce Schlaebitz, Tim Love, Bev Yelczyn, Cheri Hartless, Gordy Sanders (by phone), Bill Chandler, Cindy Bertek, Mark Teply
- Minutes** Call to order by Tim Love, a quorum did not exist, all matters would be tabled. Approval of minutes for June, 21, 2006 tabled.
- Treasurer's Report** Mark Teply-As of 8/10/06, checking account balance of \$13, 230.01-tabled.
- Chapter Reports**
- Eastside*-Mark Teply, Mount Helena Monitoring Project was scheduled for late September but, due to fire activity, it was rescheduled for spring.
- Libby*- Not Present.
- Flathead*- Not Present.
- Missoula*- Bev Yelczyn, September 19th is scheduled to be the first meeting of the season.
- Committee Reports**
- Policy Chair*-Gordy Sanders, Nationally...Continued work/support of the FERRA bill. SAF is engaged in the Farm Bill. Roundtable will occur in December regarding Partners in Forestry. New legislation being evaluated regarding Cooperative Conservation. SAF is providing continued support for FIA activities. Sustainability Task Force will be advanced nationally. Several position statements are close to being finalized. New position statement considered regarding Plantation Forestry. At the State Level...Preparing for the legislative session in January, a breakfast with the Governor. John Casselli asked Gordy to generate a list of upcoming bills. Gordy will compile some bullet points for the October newsletter. Upcoming conference on Challenges facing the USFS- 11/28 & 11/29.
- Communications*-Bev Yelczyn, An updated email list was sent to Sherri. KUFM commentary to air 9/13 by Matt Arno regarding Litigation and Appeals. Rick Franke looking for sites for the Chamber Tour.
- Newsletter*-Cheri Hartless, will be taking over for Roy Anderson. Her email is chartless@fs.fed.us. Will be working with Roy on a transition and Cindy Bertek.
- Membership*-John Casselli, There are 346 members in the state. The National SAF will have conference call on 9/14, 9/21, 9/27 regarding trends, what works, and challenges. He will set up a call-in for 9/14 in Missoula.
- Mentor Program*- Bruce Schlaebitz, Traditionally has met with students in the fall but, he has not had any participation and is open for ideas to make it work. Suggestion to work through Ron W. to get on their meeting schedule. Another suggestion was to offer to take a student out in the field. Students could hook up with mentors. Opportunities at monthly meetings. Coordination could occur through the SAF website.
- Chairman's Report*-Tim Love, Encouraged everyone to vote for the national offices. Contributions needed for Forester's Fund raffle at National meeting-tabled. John Casselli presented article from Judith basin regarding logging mishaps. There was much discussion about how to respond to this. Peter Kolb will follow-up with Craig T. regarding a positive response.
- Forester's Fund*-Gordy Sanders, Next deadline is 9/15 but, no proposals on the horizon. Current projects have not used all the money, yet. If National Council agrees to continue, next deadline would be 3/15/07. Ideas should focus on promoting SAF, have consistency and longevity.
- Historian*- Scott Kuehn, Working on tepee burner, 9/30-10/1 will be the assembly date at Fort Missoula. Rebuilding an old grader. Bruce offered information on an old CAT-serial #1.

Meeting Minutes

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Committee Reports (cont'd)

Science and Technology – Peter Kolb, Suggested a role for SAF to address global warming concerns. Active management can prepare forests for global warming. He will work with policy committee to pursue. Small acreage landowner workshop will be held in the spring. Extension will be putting together a Master Forest Landowner curriculum.

CFE-Dale Kerkvliet, Not Present.

Webmaster-Sherri McWilliams, Not present.

Education-Cindy Bertek, No report.

Old Business

2007 State Meeting,-Planning. Nothing new to report as April was not available.

New Business

White Paper-Mark Teply, addressing Uncertainty and Reliability in NEPA Decision Making. Provided overview of the paper. Trying to get cooperation with IESAF– have not heard decision. Otherwise, lining up a team in Montana to pursue this issue but, would welcome additional suggestions.

Forestry Forum Ideas– Peter Kolb suggested as a means to balance the Northern Rockies forum that is being held in Missoula. He will take a lead role in putting something together.

Nominations for State Office– A Tellers Committee will be formed (Awards Committee). Bill Chandler will be calling for nominations by the end of September.

Next Meeting

November 3, 2006 at Seely Lake at 1000 am. Conference call will be made available.

Meeting Adjourned

Missoula Chapter Report

By Bob Harrington, Chair

The Missoula chapter continues to have an excellent turnout for the monthly meetings and recently gathered at Ft.

Missoula within the recently reassembled teepee burner at the forestry interpretive area. We were entertained by Bob Brown, executive director of the Ft. Missoula Historical Museum, who took us back to 1877 with his presentation: "Fort Missoula, Fort Fizzle, and the Nez Perce." The new home for the teepee burner,

which originally glowed through the night at the S&W sawmill in Conner, is next to the society's working steam-powered saw-

"The Missoula chapter continues to have an excellent turnout for the monthly meeting"

mill on the museum grounds. Many thanks to D&G Crane, ironworkers union members,

SAF volunteers, and especially to Scott Kuehn, who has overseen the sandblasting, painting, foundation construction, and reassembly of this great reminder of forestry's past in Montana.

On a somber note, SAF member Craig Thomas recently broke his pelvis and back after being thrown from his horse. Craig is recovering at a Seattle hospital, and we hope will be returning to his home soon. Cards and letters can be sent to his house at 4189 Ember Lane, Stevensville, MT 59870. We all wish Craig a speedy recovery.

We look forward to our next meeting on November 21st.



Lake of the rocks Selway-Bitterroot Wildland fire use fire, October 2006.

In addition, many National Forests now have plans in place that allow decisions makers to use the lessons learned over the years to manage wildland fires outside the wilderness as wildland fire use in the same manner as inside, though the management after the fire may be very different. Monitoring and managing fire use fires over several weeks gives us more experience and a greater ability to make decisions that return fire to the landscape, reduce fire-fighter exposure and save

Wildland Fire Use

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fire suppression funds.

Foresters, whether consulting directly with private land owners or working in the public sector for a wide diversity of owners, are often put in the role of educators helping people understand that natural forests are bound to change and our only choices are affecting the change – not stopping it. I recall one landowner on the West Fork telling me during the 2000 fire season that all he wanted was for his view to never change, to be always green. I told him change was the one thing he could count as trees grow, die, burn and fall prey to insects. As the Greek philosopher Heraclitus said, “the only constant is change” More and more often people who witness the change following fire see the benefits of resprouting willows and aspen and record numbers of big game.

Foresters, environmental advocates and forest industry alike recognize fire as a beneficial part of the system even as they disagree about the management of the forests themselves. Is it possible

that we can plow this common ground as professional foresters and educate people at the same time? Can we help people to understand the second growth forest they bought as their little piece of heaven or treasure as the view from their window will change and where forests are unnaturally dense that a fire would have un-natural and perhaps undesirable consequences?

Aldo Leopold made an eloquent plea for viewing ourselves as part of the “community” of land instead of owners of the land in order to change abusive practices. Professional foresters can, through patient education and careful communication, guide the community to a future where people understand good stewardship and products that flow from restoring more natural and resilient forests go hand in hand.

Editor’s note: see related story
National Wilderness Fire Management Award



Dave Campbell (left), Dale Bowsworth (right)

National Wilderness Fire Management Award

The recipient of the “first” Wilderness Fire Management Award is Dave Campbell, District Ranger on the West Fork RD, Bitterroot NF. This award is made in recognition of Dave’s leadership in the application of wildland fire use on both the Selway-Bitterroot and the Frank Church River of No Return Wildernesses. He is recognized as a fire management leader in the Northern Region, and nationally. Dave’s noted accomplishments include planning a celebration for the 30th Anniversary of the first wildland fire event, which occurred at White Cap Creek on

the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness, collaborating with the University of Montana to field test innovative new techniques to monitor wildland fires, taking aggressive actions to protect heritage assets from fire, coordinating with the Montana Department of Environmental Quality to monitor air quality in the Bitterroot Valley during fire season, and working with our commercial outfitter and guide partners to mitigate disruptions to their businesses from wildland fire use fires. Dave’s leadership serves as an outstanding model for our interdisciplinary approach to wilderness stewardship and fire management.

Libby Chapter Report

By April Rainey, Chair

The Libby Chapter started off the year with a fall field trip to a fellow SAF members tree farm. Tom Jones, who lives in the Troy area, farms over a 100 acres in which he has applied various silvicultural prescriptions. The field trip was followed by a potluck BBQ at the Troy Park next to the beautiful Kootenai River.

The upcoming meeting for November will focus on soil productivity and its relationship to timber harvest practices, Lou Kuennen and Steve Wegner will be our guest speakers. The Libby Chapter also recently met with the Inland Empire SAF to discuss details of the combined State Meeting that is being

held in Coeur D'Alene in April. There was much headway made at the meeting and the ball is now rolling, it is a matter of lining all the pins up in the right place.

The Libby Chapter also has several members that are involved with the Kootenai Stakeholders Coalition. The Coalition was fashioned after a similar successful group on the Colville National Forest. One of the goals of this very mixed group is reducing fire risk in the WUI and creating some working projects out of those areas. The success of this group

will depend on the level of support that can be supported by the Kootenai National Forest. The overall desired outcome is to reduce appeals, litigation, fire risk and to increase wood supply to local industry.

The Chair Elect for Libby will also be attending the National Convention in Pittsburgh this month. April is very excited about the trip and is looking forward to sharing the information about the convention at the November meeting.

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Flathead Chapter Report

By David Jones, Chair

The Flathead Chapter kicked off the end of summer with a working meeting at the Grizzly Base Boy Scout Camp. The scout camp was the site for this year's annual Montana Tree Farm meeting. We helped with setting up tables and chairs, hanging signs and putting out display boards. We had a short meeting and Carl Sobczak gave us a brief history about the forest management that has taken place on the property during the last few years.

We grilled burgers and dogs and enjoyed the fall evening. A good time was had by all. October's meeting on the 24th will be held at the Montana Logging Association Building. Social time, pizza and drinks will start at 6:00 pm. Rob Carlin,

the Planning Staff Officer for the Flathead National Forest and SAF member, will talk to us about the Forest Service's new Environmental Management System (EMS), the International Organization of Standards (ISO), what the Forest Service hopes to achieve through ISO Certification and how it will affect Federal Timber Purchasers, as well as the results from the Flathead's first round of EMS audits in September. We hope to have our next year's officer election ballot out by the end of the month.

"The Flathead Chapter kicked off the end of summer with a working meeting at the Grizzly Base Boy Scout Camp."

State Officer Elections

All ballots must be mailed on or before November 17, 2006

For the Office of Chair-elect

Beverly A. Yelczyn

Currently, I'm the Landscape/Fire Ecologist on the Western Montana Planning Zone (Bitterroot, Lolo, and Flathead NFs) Revision Team. I've been on the Lolo NF since 1989, eight years in Seeley Lake and the past 9 years in Missoula. Since 1980, when I graduated with a B.S. in Forestry from the University of WI – Stevens Point, I've worked seasonal and permanent jobs with the USFS, Bureau of Reclamation, and Oregon State University. I was in the last class known as CEFES (Continuing Education in Forest Ecology and Silviculture), was the first to defend my prescription in the field, and have been a certified silviculturist since 1992.

I was an SAF member in college, dropped for awhile while paying off student loans, and rejoined SAF in 1983. While in Oregon, I served as the OR SAF Membership Committee Co-chairperson; Delegate-at-Large and Secretary/Treasurer of the Siskiyou Chapter; helped with the Silviculture Field Trip at the National Convention in Portland in 1984, and co-chaired the State Meeting in 1987. The 1990's were an inactive decade for me because I lived up in Condon and found it too far to participate. Since 2000, I've held the position of Communications Chairperson for MT SAF. Elected to Missoula Chapter Secretary/Treasurer from 1999-2001.

My goal as Chair-Elect is to help our professional society stay engaged in current and future issues, enhance our visibility to the public and media, and continue to learn about our profession from all of you.

For the Office of Secretary-Treasurer

Bill Pursell

Professional

1 year with Louisiana Pacific in Thorne Bay, AK as an Assistant Forest Engineer
26 years with Plum Creek in Seeley Lake, Kalispell and Columbia Falls in positions including Forest Engineer, Production Forester, Senior Forester and Log Allocation Manager.

Education

BS in Forestry & Wildlife from Louisiana State University
MS in Forest Engineering from University of Washington

SAF

Member since 1999, CF since 2002, Past Chair of the Flathead Chapter

Personal

Married to Jana for 19 years. Three daughters ages 17,15,13.

Ballot

Mail ballots to Tim Love, P.O. Box 1131, Seely Lake, MT 59868 on or before November 17, 2006.

For Chair-elect

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Beverly A. Yelczyn

For Secretary-Treasurer

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