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Ames Forestry Club

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The ISU Student Chapter of the Forest Products Research Society (FPRS) is now in its fourth year. In its fourth year, the chapter participated in various activities such as freshman welcome, club meetings, a pizza party, and the Midwest Section meeting. This year was also considered a building year as the chapter conducted fund raising activities such as a car wash and belt buckle sales.

The major activity for the year was the FPRS Midwest Section meeting which was held in Rockford, Illinois on Oct. 16 and 17. Seven members from the chapter attended the meeting along with two advisors. The topic for the meeting was, “Problems and Solutions in Secondary Wood Processing: Back to the Basics.” Much was learned at the meeting by all who attended and upon adjournment, a tour of the Ingersoll Manufacturing Co. was held. Overall, the trip to Rockford proved to be a rewarding experience.

Fund raising was a high priority on the list of goals for the chapter this year. In Oct., the chapter conducted a car wash preceding the ISU-Drake football game. The car wash was a very enjoyable fund raiser even though the morning temperature started out with a twenty-one degree wind chill factor. It did warm up however, and the chapter’s treasury was doubled.

Another fund raiser which the chapter is involved in is the sale of Iowa State Forestry belt buckles. This fund raiser has proceeded slowly, but the buckles are now available from the ISU FPRS chapter, 251 Bessey Hall, ISU, Ames, la. 50011. The chapter hopes to acquire adequate funds from the activity to finance various mill tours, guest speakers, and other learning experiences for its members and others interested. With support from these various fund raising activities, the 1986-87 school year looks to be a very busy and enjoyable one for the ISU FPRS chapter as it continues to grow.

The officers for the 1985-86 school year were Gregg Engelken, Chairman; Mark Harger, Vice Chairman; Lori Zipse, Sec.-Tres.