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# INSIDE VT WOOD

## Reminder...

Remember to submit department news items by Friday 3 pm of each week to Will Pfeil at [wpfeil@vt.edu](mailto:wpfeil@vt.edu) for inclusion in Inside VT WOOD each Monday morning. All past issues of Inside VT Wood reside on our department website under the publications link.

## News From Paul Winistorfer

- This week I will be meeting with Scott Hurst, University Architect and Dr. Betsy Flanagan, VP of Development today regarding development plans in our department and future growth of our program at the Brooks complex. After these meetings, we are cleared to begin an aggressive development campaign to move our program forward. We will be discussing at length at the upcoming retreat.
- I have been invited by the Higher Education Center in South Boston to participate July 10th in a presentation to the SCHEV Board regarding sector employment and linkages to our program at VT. This is in response to my visits there a few weeks ago.
- The National Wooden Pallet and Container Association (NWPCA) Board of Directors has recently approved a new scholarship for our program. The \$10,000 award will be used to support undergraduate students studying in the packaging science option. Thanks NWPCA, Mark White and Nancy Parsons for making this happen!
- Negotiations are underway on the Cluster Hire position. I'll keep you informed as we move forward.
- We will soon move Inside VT Wood to a bi-monthly schedule for the summer months. Your input is important to the success of our department communications.

## Coming Up - REMINDERS

- We will go to the printer on July 1 with Creative Achievements. Be sure to have all of your personal entries in the database as soon as possible. Don't forget to reach back to Jan 2005 since we did not publish an annual report for the 2005 calendar year. Creative Achievements will cover the period for January 1, 2005 – June 30 2006. Angie, Debbie and Will can assist you with the interface, or in making entries. Don't let your contribution be missed.
- The department retreat is June 13-14 at Pipestem State Park. A complete retreat agenda and meeting materials will be available approximately one week before we meet. Please confirm with Angie your lodging preferences. The group will visit Brooks at 10:15 on Friday morning.

## Perspectives – Second Edition

The College is hosting the second 'Perspectives Day' Friday June 2. The schedule is shown on page 2. Attendees include friends of the college. Scott Rennecker and Chip Frazier from our program are making presentations during the day.

## Perspectives – Second Edition Schedule

9:00 a.m.

Welcome and Overview of Programs  
136B Cheatham Hall – Dean Kelly

9:20 – 10:00

Intro to CNR Curriculum - CEARS Lab  
Using Technology in Natural Resources  
Chip Frazier – Integrating web-based and traditional learning  
John Peterson – Computer-Aided Woody Plant Identification: a Ten-Year Evolution  
Donald Orth – All about fish

10:00 - Travel to Brooks Center

10:15 – 11:00

Wood Science and Forest Products  
Inside VT Wood – Biomaterials and Nanotechnologies  
Scott Renneckar

11:00 – Travel to Aquaculture Center

11:10 – 12:00

Fisheries & Wildlife  
New Technologies to Support Species Conservation and Sustainable Aquafarming  
Eric Hallerman, Dick Neves, Don Orth

12:00 – Travel to The Inn

12:15 – 1:30

Lunch with CNR Faculty and Student

1:30 – Travel to Major Williams

1:35 – 2:30

Geography Activities  
Satellite Remote Sensing Demonstration  
Peter Sforza

2:30– 3:45

Geography and Forestry  
Using GPS in Urban Forestry  
Hands on experience: Navigating your way around VT with a GPS unit.  
Bill Carstensen and Eric Wiseman  
Major Williams to Cheatham Hall

3:45 – 4:15

Q & A and Conclusion  
317A Cheatham Hall, Refreshments

## Timber Truss Open House

Timber Truss Housing Systems is having an open house on Friday June 2 at their new Orange facility. We have a number of graduates employed by Timber Truss. See the announcement below.

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