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INSIDE VT WOOD

Reminder...

Remember to submit department news items by Friday 3 p.m. of each week to Will Pfeil at 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](#).

Inside VT Wood Summer Publication Schedule

August 11

We will resume weekly publication on Monday, August 18.

News From Paul Winistorfer

- Congratulations to the students in the Wood Enterprise Institute (WEI) on a successful open house two weeks ago. Students have made excellent progress in setting up systems manufacturing for the Enterprise and should start manufacture soon.
- Faculty will meet Friday July 25th at the Brooks Center in a ½ day workshop on curriculum and other department initiatives, beginning at 8:30 am.
- Your help is needed to bring awareness to our Wood Week Career Fair. Please see our department website for information on the activities of the week and the career fair.
- The department will have significant representation in Atlanta for the IWF show August 20-23. A number of faculty and graduate students are participating in the show and staffing the department display during the show.
- Classes begin Monday August 25th. The department will conduct a Graduate Student orientation, in addition to the College and Graduate School Orientation sessions. The date and time will be announced soon.
- Fall graduate student numbers may reach 45 students in residence.
- The Physical Plant will soon be undertaking several projects at the Brooks Center, involving lighting, painting and other jobs in various labs and spaces. Thanks for your help and patience while they are working among us.
- New student orientation has been on-going this week and we have a number of new, incoming freshman students in our major.

Wood Industry Student Placement Program

Industry has begun posting job announcement on our new department student placement website. You can find it on our homepage.



Wood Week 2008 Career Fair Registration is Now Live

Wood Week 2008 is set for the week of September 15, 2008. Our Career Fair is Thursday September 18, on the Drillfield of the Virginia Tech campus. Registration is now live and linked from the Wood Week 2008 link on our homepage.

Industry Participants Registered for the Wood Week Career Fair Thursday September 18, 2008

- Mann And Parker Lumber Company
- Universal Forest Products Inc
- Georgia-Pacific LLC
- Blair Dumond, Inc.
- American Woodmark Corporation
- Roy O. Martin Lumber Co. , LLC
- Columbia Forest Products
- Huber Engineered Woods, LLC
- The Danzer Group
- Baillie/American Lumber
- Rex Lumber Company
- Moulding and Millwork

Congratulations to Audrey Zink-Sharp, 2008 Virginia Trapshooting Champion

Audrey Zink-Sharp recently won High All Around Women's Resident Champion honors at the 2008 Virginia State Trapshooting Tournament held July 2 - 6, 2008, in Winchester, Virginia. The VTA State tournament consists of 11 different shooting events and a person must have registered at least 1500 targets to be eligible. Audrey won each of the three events required for high all around resident champion: the Old Dominion Clay Target Championship (singles), the Virginia Doubles Championship, and the Virginia Handicap Championship. She is also captain of the women's state trap team. Congratulations Audrey!

Visit from 2007 Youth Conservation Camp a Success

On July 15th, 71 high school students from the 2008 Youth Conservation Camp came to the Brooks Forest Products Center to learn about the contributions of wood science to research in building design and testing, composite materials, and packaging systems. In addition the students were made aware of the career opportunities in the forest products sector related to forest products marketing and management, non-timber forest products, and manufacturing systems.



The students were from all over the state and ranged from 9th to 12th graders. Scott Rennekar, Brian Bond, Ralph Rupert, Dan Hindman and Graduate Student Gi Young Jeong gave presentations in the labs throughout the Brooks center.

National Skills Standard Project Continues on Track

The Woodwork Career Alliance of North America [WCANA] is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization actively promoting a skilled work force for the advanced woodworking industry in the United States and Canada. The Woodwork Career Alliance hopes to develop Skill Standards as a means to support the woodworking industry in preparing productive woodworkers. It will sponsor a voluntary assessment program which will allow woodworkers to demonstrate their competency in the Skills and earn credentials that are recognized nationwide.

Visit the Alliance website at <http://web.mac.com/gheuer212/WoodworkCareerAlliance/Home.html>

Woody Bioenergy in Virginia

Managing Our Resources for a Profitable and Sustainable System

Covering the operational and economic challenges and opportunities related to large-scale woody bioenergy in Virginia.

Website: <http://www.cnr.vt.edu/woodybioenergy/>

When and Where?

Rural Focus

Location: Abingdon, VA - South West Virginia Higher Education Center – [Directions](#)

Date & Time: September 4, 2008, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

Registration: \$25.00 per person. Registration deadline is September 1, 2008

Lunch and Refreshments Provided

[Agenda](#)

Urban/Suburban Focus

Location: Petersburg, VA - Virginia State University – [Directions](#)

Date & Time: September 29, 2008 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Registration: \$25.00 per person. Registration deadline is September 24, 2008

Lunch and Refreshments Provided

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Register

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