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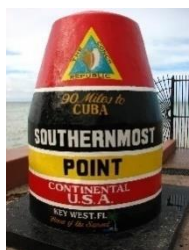
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Final Day to Pre-Register for the Technical Committee Meetings is November 21st!



Planning to attend the Technical Committee Meetings but haven't registered yet? Registration fees are \$350 for members and \$450 for non-members. The meetings will take place at the Margaritaville Key West Resort (formerly the Westin Hotel) in Key West, Florida. **PLEASE NOTE: the hotel room block is completely full.** If you do not currently have hotel reservations, you will need to make other arrangements for lodging. The final schedule is found on the [Fall Meeting Web page](#). A summary of proposals is available on the [Standards Activity web page](#) and the complete text of each proposal is found on each Technical Committee web page in the [members only section](#) of the AWPA website (member login required). If your spouse or a guest will be attending the evening receptions, please register them for those events. The \$50 registration fee covers all the receptions.

2018 AWPA Sponsorship Enrollment is Now Open

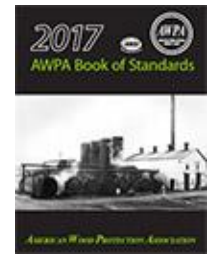
In addition to membership dues and publication sales, AWPA relies heavily upon voluntary contributions from organizations that support AWPA's objects and purposes. Through our Organizational Sponsorship Program, AWPA recognizes its sponsors at meetings, on the website, in publications, and other printed materials. If your organization was an AWPA Sponsor in 2017, you should have received a renewal notice by email. If your organization has not received a renewal notice, please let us know and we will send you one. If you are not currently a sponsor and you're interested in supporting AWPA financially, please visit the "[become a sponsor](#)" web page or contact AWPA for more information.

Membership Renewals for 2018

AWPA membership renewal notices were sent by email November 1st. Please let us know if you need a duplicate copy. **There is a \$75 discount if you renew your membership by January 15**, so you should consider renewing your AWPA membership for 2018 at this time. Current AWPA members need to first [log into the AWPA Members' store](#) then click on "Membership Renewal" under "Categories" on the left-hand side of the page. If you've forgotten your online store password, [click here](#). NOTE: If your email address has changed recently, please try logging into the online store using your old email address. We've transitioned to a more secure online store, so you may be prompted to reset your password when logging in. If you are not currently an AWPA member, please consider applying for membership. For more information, please [contact AWPA](#).

The 2017 AWPA Book of Standards is Still Available!

Did you know that most of the funding for AWPA's standards development process comes from the sale of the AWPA Book of Standards? If you don't have the 2017 edition, your standards are already **outdated!** Every treating plant, laboratory, specifier, and inspector should have a current edition on-hand, so please be sure to purchase updated copies each year to help AWPA cover the cost of standards development. The 2017 edition is available as a hefty 638-page printed book, a searchable CD-ROM, or a printed book/CD combination. To order online, [visit the AWPA online store](#) – please note that AWPA members must log in to the store to obtain discounted member pricing ([click here](#) if you've forgotten your store password). If you prefer to order by mail or fax, a form may be downloaded by [clicking this link](#).



AWPA Welcomes New Members

Here are AWPA's newest members...Congratulations and welcome!

- **Bill Staley**, Belco Forest Products

Student Travel Fellowship Award: Applications and Donations

The application deadline for the 2018 Student Travel Fellowship Award is set for December 5, 2017. This award provides funding for several students to attend the AWPA Annual Meeting and present their research. Interested students and their professors are encouraged to contact AWPA for the rules and application form. Also, we are soliciting donations to fund the 2018 Award. You may [make your donation online](#), send a check to AWPA designating it for the Student Travel Fellowship, or request an invoice from AWPA.

Call for Papers: 114th AWPA Annual Meeting

The AWPA Annual Meeting arrangements committee is putting together an excellent technical program and social events for the 2018 Annual Meeting in Seattle, Washington. If you would like to present a paper during one of the many Technical Sessions, please submit a working title and a list of authors to AWPA by Wednesday, November 30, 2017. [Contact us](#) if you have any questions or need additional information.

Graduate Research Assistantship Opportunity

Mississippi State University Department of Sustainable Bioproducts has announced the availability of a graduate assistantship starting summer or fall 2018. The student selected for this position will work toward an M.S. in Sustainable Bioproducts, focusing on the statistical distributions of strength and stiffness properties in mill run lumber populations. The student selected for this position will be responsible for oversight of laboratory work involving, but not limited to, acquisition, preparation, and testing of lumber specimens, statistical analysis of test data, and preparation of oral and written reports. For more details on this opportunity and instructions for applying, please visit the [MSU Careers web page](#) and look for the "Graduate Research Assistant" link.

Nominations for AWPA Officers, Award of Merit

In the next few months, AWPA members will be nominating individuals to serve as Officers, Executive Committee Members, or Nominating Committee Members. If you know of an eligible AWPA member that would serve AWPA well in these positions, please contact Nominating Committee Chair Chris Barber or you may [submit the nomination directly to AWPA](#). Also, please note the deadline for nominations for the 2018 Award of Merit is December 1, 2017. Please consult the [Award of Merit Policy](#) and submit your nomination of a worthy individual to AWPA.

In Memoriam

AWPA has recently learned of the death of the following friend of AWPA. We express our most sincere condolences to his family, friends, and business associates:

- Stoner Parsons (Acme Wood Preserving, Inc.) passed away on 10/30/2017. AWPA member from 1971-2006.

Upcoming AWPA Meetings

- **2017 AWPA Technical Committee Meetings:** Key West, Florida, at the Margaritaville Key West Resort and Marina, December 12-16, 2017
- **Winter Executive Committee Meeting:** Seattle, Washington, at the Seattle Marriott Waterfront, January 30-31, 2018

- **Spring Executive Committee Meeting:** Seattle, Washington, at the Seattle Marriott Waterfront, April 21, 2018
- **114th AWPA Annual Meeting:** Seattle, Washington, at the Seattle Marriott Waterfront, April 22-24, 2018
- **2018 AWPA Fall Technical Committee Meetings:** Boston, Massachusetts, at the Marriott Copley Place, September 9-13, 2018

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