



American Wood-Preservers' Association

102nd Annual Meeting

April 9-11, 2006

Hyatt Regency Austin on Town Lake

Austin, Texas

AN INVITATION FROM AWPA PRESIDENT, WILLIAM R. GRIMES

Howdy and welcome to Austin Texas, Live Music Capital of the World, deep in the heart of Texas. Our 102nd Annual meeting will be held from April 9th to the 11th this year when Austin and the Texas Hill Country is enveloped in a colorful array of bluebonnets, Indian paintbrushes, Mexican poppies and wine-cups.

We are meeting in the Hyatt Regency on the Colorado River (known as Town Lake within the city limits) just a bridge and a few short blocks away from 6th Street and the Warehouse District. These two districts are the heart of the Austin music scene. Austin is famous for the numerous live music venues and a wide variety of musical styles. You will also find an assortment of dining choices from Texan "home cooking" standards (world famous barbeque, chili and chicken-fried-steak) to the more sophisticated (French, Southwestern Fusion, "New Texas"). And don't forget the endless variety of Mexican food. Donna and I are particularly fond of Mexican seafood dishes.

I am pleased to announce that Dr. John Lienhard from the University of Houston will be our keynote speaker. Dr. Lienhard writes and hosts "The Engines of Our Ingenuity" a radio program, heard nationally on Public Radio that tells the story of how our culture is formed by human creativity. I've been a fan of Dr. Lienhard's show since its inception nearly two decades, so I'm looking forward to his speech entitled "America, Carved from Wood, Perfumed by Wood: How We Built a Nation in the Forests".

Donna has put together a fine spouses' tour on Monday including the L.B. Johnson Library & Museum and the Ladybird Johnson Wildflower Center. There will also be a special musical guest at the Spouses' Hospitality & Breakfast on Tuesday morning. Personal experience compels me to recommend that you show Donna's invitation, included in this mailing, to your spouse.

Dr. Jeffrey Morrell has assembled an outstanding program for this year. Following our Monday morning opening session, Technical Session One will begin at 1:00 PM including The Colley-Hartford Memorial Lecture and Research Symposium followed by a Poster Session. On Tuesday morning, there will be two concurrent sessions on Treated Wood Marketing and New Preservative Chemicals and Technologies, along with a Suppliers' Showcase. On Tuesday afternoon there will be separate sessions on Industrial Products (including utility products and issues) and Treating Plant Operations.

Our hope is that you will find several presentations that cover topics vital to your work, be it chemical formulation, treating, inspecting, procuring, maintaining or using treated wood. We have engaged a variety of Austin musicians to underscore our social events. All in all, we have planned an informative and enjoyable event for you.

I'm looking forward to greeting each of you at this year's AWPA Annual Meeting.

William R. Grimes

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Sunday, April 9: The day will begin with AWPA's Annual 5K Fun Run/Walk, known as the "Pickler's Prance". The course is generally flat and will cover a section of Austin's Town Lake Hike and Bike Trail. For those who prefer a bit less physical activity, the remainder of the day can be spent in **Task Group Meetings**. Several related organizations are scheduled to hold meetings in conjunction with our Annual Meeting, so check the website for updated listings. Don't miss the Sunday evening **President's Reception** for libations and the best Texas-style culinary creations before you enjoy the Austin nightlife.

Monday, April 10: Our Keynote Speaker this year is **Dr. John Lienhard**, who hosts a public radio program called "Engines of our Ingenuity". His speech is entitled, "America, Carved from Wood, Perfumed by Wood: How We Built a Nation in the Forests". This year's **Award of Merit** will then be presented to **Dr. Jerrold Winandy**. The business session will follow, and we will spend the remainder of the day learning about current research in **Technical Session I**, which includes the **Colley/Hartford Memorial Lecture** presented by **Dr. H. Michael Barnes** and the **Research Symposium**, which is followed by the **Poster Session**.

Tuesday, April 11: Tuesday morning will begin with two concurrent Technical Sessions; one will focus on **Treated Wood Marketing**, while the second will cover **New Preservative Chemicals and Technologies**. That afternoon, there will be two concurrent Technical Sessions covering **Industrial Products** such as utility products and railroad crossies; and **Treating Plant Operations**. Be sure to explore the **Supplier's Showcase** to see the latest products and services available. Tuesday evening is the high point of AWPA's Annual Meeting, with a **reception and banquet**, featuring an awards presentation, and installation of new Executive Committee Members and Officers, and hilarious musical satire performed by the **Austin Lounge Lizards**.

Wednesday, April 12: For those of you who just can't get enough wood preservation, then **Wednesday is your day**. If you don't normally participate in our **Technical Committee Meetings** where our Standards are developed, then this is the **perfect opportunity** to take part in the standardization process. Check the website often for schedule updates and proposals to be considered at the upcoming meetings.

More details are added to our website as the date of the program draws near. To review abstracts and papers, as well as to determine which Task Groups and Technical Committees will be meeting, please visit:

www.awpa.com/meetings/annual/austin.asp

or, go to www.awpa.com and follow the links to the Annual Meeting

CHECKLIST FOR AWPA'S 102nd ANNUAL MEETING

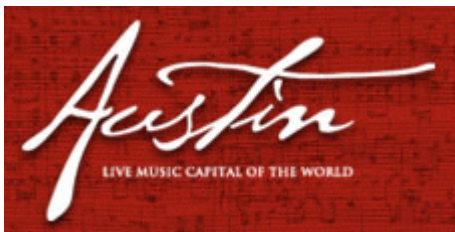
- Register for the AWPA Meeting by March 10th to save \$25 to \$50 on registration fees. Remember that only on-site registrations will be accepted after March 31, 2005.
- Make your hotel reservations by **March 15**, but remember that rooms are subject to availability.
- Arrange for travel to Austin.
- Check the website for program updates and activities, such as golf, tennis, and shooting events.
- Make plans to attend Task Group or Technical Committee Meetings.
- Report any special needs to the AWPA – the earlier, the better.

Keynote Speaker: Dr. John Lienhard

John H. Lienhard, author and voice of *The Engines of Our Ingenuity*, is M.D. Anderson Professor Emeritus of Mechanical Engineering and History at the University of Houston. He received BS and MS degrees from Oregon State College and the University of Washington, his PhD from the University of California at Berkeley, and he holds two honorary doctorates. He is known for his research in the thermal sciences as well as in cultural history. He is an Honorary Member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and a member of the National Academy of Engineering.

For his work on *Engines*, Dr. Lienhard received the ASME *Ralph Coates Roe Medal* for contributions to the public understanding of technology, the 1991 *Portrait Division Award* from the American Women in Radio and Television, and the 1998 American Society of Mechanical Engineers *Engineer-Historian Award*, other ASME honors, and two 2005 Crystal Microphone Awards.

His speech, entitled *America, Carved from Wood, Perfumed by Wood: How We Built a Nation in the Forests* examines the importance of wood products and the role of the forests in our society. AWPA is honored to have Dr. Lienhard speak at our 102nd Annual Meeting.



Other Things to See and Do in Austin

Whether you enjoy exploring museums and art galleries, or if you prefer unwinding in the great outdoors, Austin has something for everyone. Also known as the “Live Music Capital of the World”, Austin offers everything from country and rock’n’roll to blues and jazz. Get back to nature on one of Austin’s many hiking trails, play a round of golf, visit one of the numerous parks, and be sure to take in the beauty of the wildflowers. Whether dining in one of Austin’s many restaurants or taking a riverboat cruise on Town Lake and watching the bats emerge from Congress Street Bridge, there is certainly something that will appeal to everyone. For more information about Austin, please visit the Austin Convention & Visitor’s Bureau on the web at:

<http://www.austintexas.org>



Important Information

Papers and Abstracts

Scientific and Technical Papers to be presented at the meeting and current Technical Committee Reports will be posted to the members-only section of the website as they are received by AWPA. Abstracts for papers to be presented will be available on the public portion of the site. Please visit us on the web at <http://www.awpa.com>.

Ballots and Elections

Ballots for the election of AWPA Officers and the Nominating Committee are enclosed in the Annual Meeting Announcement materials sent to AWPA members in good standing. A brief biography and an excerpt from AWPA's By-Laws is also enclosed, which explains the voting process. **Remember that your ballot must be received by AWPA on or before March 31, 2006 to be counted.**

Poster Session

The Poster Session provides an opportunity to meet with the authors of technical and scientific papers, and learn of new developments in wood preservation. If you are interested in presenting a poster, please contact Dr. Stan Lebow by email: slebow@fs.fed.us

President's Reception

The Sunday evening President's Reception will be held in the Foothills Ballroom, with a panoramic view of Town Lake and Downtown Austin. Dress is "Texas casual".

Association Coordination

On Monday morning, executives from related Associations will meet to review the programs, activities, and milestones reached in the prior year, as well as plan for coordination of future efforts.

Amendments to AWPA By-Laws

During this year's business session, AWPA members will be voting on amendments to our By-Laws. Please review the proposed amendments in this booklet for more information.

Suppliers' Showcase

This year, we will have exhibit space for suppliers to set up booths or table-top exhibits and show their products and technologies to AWPA meeting attendees. The cost is USD \$750 per space, and includes a six-foot table, two chairs, and full meeting registration for one person (member or non-member). Space is limited, so be sure to complete the enclosed form and send to AWPA as soon as possible.

Meetings of Related Organizations

Other organizations have scheduled meetings in conjunction with our Annual Meeting in Austin. Please consult the website as the details for these meetings are confirmed.

ALSC/AWPA Coordination

During the Monday lunch break, representatives from the American Lumber Standard Committee will meet with AWPA representatives and Executive Committee members, as well as third-party inspection agencies to discuss ALSC's Treated Wood Program.

Hospitality Suites

A hospitality suite is an excellent place to entertain your guests, Texas-style. To reserve a suite for your organization, please contact Randy Dewese by email at randy@thomassonlumber.com or by phone at 601-656-3828.

Banquet Tickets

The AWPA Banquet features Texas Regional cuisine, awards, installation of officers, and great entertainment. **Space is limited**, so please contact AWPA to purchase your tables for your organization today.

Spouse Program

Donna Grimes has created a wonderful spouse/companions program this year. For more details, please review the enclosed invitation and be sure to register early for the best rates.

For

the most up-to-date schedule, please visit AWPA's 102nd Annual Meeting Website:

www.awpa.com/meetings/annual/austin.asp

Schedule of Events: AWWPA's 102nd Annual Meeting

Saturday, April 8

1:00 pm to 5:00 pm: Registration Desk Open

9:00 am to 10:00 am: Committee on Committees Meeting

10:00 am to 5:00 pm: Executive Committee Meeting

Sunday, April 9

8:00 am: Pickler's Prance 5K Fun Run/Walk

9:00 am to 5:00 pm: Registration Desk Open

9:00 am to 5:00 pm: Task Group Meetings

- ◆ Waterborne Copper Naphthenate Task Group

1:00 pm to 5:00 pm: Meetings of Related Organizations

6:00 pm to 7:30 pm: President's Reception (Members, Guests, and Spouses - *badge required*)

Monday, April 10

7:00 am to 8:30 am: Association Coordination Meeting

8:00 am to 5:00 pm: Registration Desk Open

8:00 am to 11:00 am: Opening Session

- ◆ Keynote Address - America, Carved from Wood, Perfumed by Wood: How We Built a Nation in the Forests (Dr. John Lienhard, University of Houston)
- ◆ Award of Merit Presentation to Dr. Jerrold Winandy of the USDA Forest Products Laboratory
- ◆ Update on the Registration of Heavy-Duty Wood Preservatives by Frank Sanders, US EPA

10:00 am to 4:00 pm: Spouse Tour and Luncheon

11:00 am to 11:30 am: Business Session

11:30 am to 1:00 pm: Lunch Break (on your own)

11:30 am to 1:00 pm: AWWPA/ALSC Coordination

1:00 pm to 4:30 pm: Technical Session I - The Colley-Hartford Memorial Lecture and Research Symposium

- ◆ Colley-Hartford Lecture (Dr. H. Michael Barnes, Mississippi State University)
- ◆ The "Puzzle" of Anti-Sapstain Chemical Testing - A Review of Field Trial Methods (Radu Cracium, Arch Wood Protection)
- ◆ Exploratory Research on Silver Chemicals as Wood Preservatives (Krish Jayachandran)
- ◆ Silver - It Keeps Wood Healthy (Jeffrey R. Ellis)
- ◆ Effect of Source, Drying Method and Treatment Schedule on Treatability of Red Pine (Stan Lebow)

4:30 pm to 6:00 pm: Poster Session

Tuesday, April 11

8:00 am to 11:00 am: Spouse Hospitality & Breakfast

8:00 am to 5:00 pm: Registration Desk Open

8:00 am to 11:30 am: Technical Session IIa - Treated Wood Marketing

- ◆ Global Markets, Trade Flows, and the 21st Century Business Environment: Implications for U.S. Wood Treaters (Eric Hansen)

- ◆ An Overview of Green Building Issues and the Forest Products Industry
- ◆ Effective Website Design and Search Engine Marketing for Today's Forest Products Professionals (Alan Wickstrom)
- ◆ Interpretation of the Latest Survey of the U.S. Wood Treating Industry (Richard Kleiner, Southern Forest Products Association)
- ◆ Compliments, Comments, and Peeves from Deck Builders
- ◆ Wood Preservers Deserve a Standing Ovation - So Why Aren't We Getting It? (Huck DeVenzio, Arch Wood Protection)

8:00 am to 11:30 am: Technical Session IIb - New Preservative Chemicals and Technologies

11:30 am to 1:00 pm: Past Presidents' Wives' Luncheon

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1:00 pm to 4:30 pm: Technical Session IIIa - Industrial Products

- ◆ Towards Standards for Through Boring of Douglas-fir Poles (J.J. Morrell, Oregon State University)
- ◆ All Natural Tropical Hardwoods for Poles and Crossarms (J.R. Gonzalez)
- ◆ Hurricane Katrina - A Southern Company Perspective (Robert Patterson, Alabama Power Company)
- ◆ CLECO - Opportunities and Lessons Learned from Katrina (Tom Horan, CLECO Power, LLC)
- ◆ Decay in Wood Ties - Problem Solved! (Jim Gauntt, Railway Tie Association)
- ◆ Performance of Treated Wood Poles in Bangladesh—a 20 Year Success Story (Jim Taylor)
- ◆ Update on ANSI O5 and the 2007 NESC (Nelson Bingel, Osmose Inc.)

1:00 pm to 4:30pm: Technical Session IIIb - Treating Plant Operations: Growing With Demand, Is Your Plant Up to Speed?

- ◆ What Represents a State of the Art Wood Treating Plant? (Mitch Joiner, Osmose Inc.)
- ◆ The Ins and Outs of Contracting (Alan Nippert, Nippert Independent Contracting)
- ◆ Permitting and Environmental Compliance - Are You on Solid Ground? (Neil Alongi, MFS)
- ◆ Stormwater Runoff from Creosote Wood Preserving Facilities (Martin Rollins, H.M. Rollins Co.)
- ◆ Wake Up to QC! What's in Your Lab? (Chris Barber, Timber Products Inspection)

6:30 pm to 7:00 pm: Reception - Cash Bar

7:00 pm to 10:00 pm: Banquet and Entertainment

- ◆ Banquet
- ◆ Installation of Officers
- ◆ Awards
- ◆ Entertainment

Wednesday, April 12

8:00 am to 5:00 pm: Technical Committee Meetings (*agendas posted to subcommittee web pages*)

Remember to make your hotel reservations by March 15!



Hyatt Regency Austin on Town Lake 208 Barton Springs Road Austin, Texas

The Hyatt Regency Austin is one of the finest of the downtown Austin hotels. Located on the shores of Town Lake, surrounded by the scenic Hill Country of central Texas, this prime convention hotel is within easy walking distance of Palmer Auditorium, the legendary Sixth Street entertainment district and the State Capitol Complex.

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Hyatt Regency Austin for the AWPA Annual Meeting. The AWPA Group Rate for single/double occupancy is:

Standard Room: USD \$149
Business Plan Room: USD \$169
Riverview Room: USD \$174

Please note the following:

- ◆ At the time of printing, hotel taxes are 15%.
- ◆ All reservations require a deposit or a credit card guarantee.
- ◆ Cancellations must occur at least 72 hours prior to reserved arrival time, or one night's room and tax will be charged against your deposit or credit card.
- ◆ Suites and other premium rooms are available for an additional charge. Please contact the hotel for rates and availability.
- ◆ **The cut-off date for reservations within the AWPA Room block is March 15, 2006.**
- ◆ Rooms and rates are subject to availability, and the possibility exists that the Conference Rate and the AWPA room block could sell out before the cut-off date. You are advised to book your room early.
- ◆ All reservations made after March 15 will be on a space-available basis and at the hotel's regularly published rates.
- ◆ Early departure fees may apply. Be sure to confirm departure date when you arrive.

HOW TO MAKE YOUR HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Online: Visit the meeting website at <http://www.awpa.com/meetings/annual/austin.asp> and click the link for online reservations. You will be taken to the Passkey reservations page to complete your reservation.

By Telephone: Call Passkey Reservations at 888-421-1442. Advise the reservations agent that you are attending the American Wood Preservers' Association meeting at the Hyatt Regency in Austin, Texas, along with the dates of arrival and departure.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO AWWPA BY-LAWS

These proposed amendments were signed and submitted by ten Regular and Honorary Members more than sixty days prior to the 2006 Annual Meeting. These proposed amendments will be an item of business during the Business Session of the Annual Meeting, which is scheduled for the morning of Monday, April 10, 2006. For an explanation of the changes to the By-Laws, please contact the AWWPA Secretary.

Article II, Section 5. The Executive ~~Committee~~ Vice President shall accept the resignation, tendered in writing, of any member whose dues are paid.

Article IV, Section 3. The President, the First Vice-President, the Second Vice-President, the Third Vice-President, the Treasurer, and two Members of Executive Committee shall be elected at by ballot prior to each Annual Meeting.

Article IV, Section 4. The terms of President, Vice-Presidents, and Treasurer shall begin at the close of the Annual Meeting which is held after their election ~~at which they are elected~~ and continue until ~~their successors are elected and have qualified~~ close of the following Annual Meeting. The six Members of the Executive Committee shall serve three years, two being elected each year.

Article IV, Section 6. The President, Vice-Presidents, and Members of the Executive Committee shall not be eligible for re-election to the same office, including service on the Executive Committee as part of either a three-year or ~~four~~five-year "in-the-chairs" term, within five years after the expiration of their respective elective terms.

Article V, Section 1. ~~At~~Prior to each Annual Meeting six Regular, Life, Emeritus or Honorary Members who are not officers shall be elected, together with the three last Past-Presidents who are not members of the Executive Committee, to serve one year as a Nominating Committee, of which the senior Past-President shall be chairman.

Article V, Section 3. The voting shall not be restricted to the names presented by the Nominating Committee. Any member may file with the Secretary before ~~February 1~~December 31 the name of a candidate for any office except for the office of Secretary.

Article V, Section 4. The ballot, ~~with envelopes for secret voting~~, shall be sent to each member before March 1. It must contain the names of all nominees for each office, arranged alphabetically where there is more than one name for any office, with the nominees of the Nominating Committee plainly indicated.

Article V, Section 8. The person who receives the highest number of votes for the offices for which they are candidates shall be declared elected, provide that no one person may be elected to more than one office. In case of a tie between candidates for the same office, announcement of the fact shall be made not later than the opening session of the ~~second day of the~~ Annual Meeting, and the members present at the ~~closing business~~ session of the ~~third day for the~~ Annual Meeting shall elect the officer from the candidates so tied. The presiding officer shall announce to the meeting the names of the officers elected.

Article VI, Section 1. The President shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Association; and shall preside at its meetings and those of the Executive Committee, ~~and shall be a member ex-officio of every committee except the Nominating Committee.~~

Article VII, Section 1. An Annual Meeting, at which the officers shall be ~~elected~~installed and ~~all annual reports of Technical Committees presented read~~, shall be held commencing on the forth Monday in April of each year, at nine-thirty o'clock a.m. at such place as the Executive Committee may designate, provided, however, that if conditions arise which make it seem to the Executive Committee inadvisable to hold an Annual Meeting at the time designated, the Executive Committee shall have authority to designate another time for the meeting.

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