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AWPA Membership Renewal

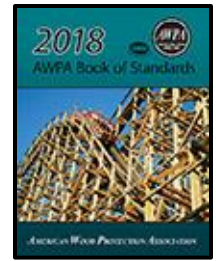
AWPA membership renewal notices were sent by email in October and again by regular mail in December. Please let us know if you need a duplicate copy sent by email. **There is a \$75 discount if you renew your membership by January 15**, so you should consider renewing your AWPA membership for 2019 at 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](#).

Current Standards Activity

During the AWPA Fall Technical Committee Meetings in Boston, Massachusetts, the committees considered 53 proposals, and 47 proposals were authorized to move forward to letter ballot, which closed concurrently with the public review period on November 28, 2018. One item from T-7 and one item from T-8 received negative votes which remained unresolved through the negative resolution process and the recirculation ballot, which closed on December 21, 2018. The unresolved negative voters and members of the applicable committees were advised of the appeals process with a deadline of January 9, 2019. The Executive Committee will then perform a procedural and legal review, taking final action at their meeting in Birmingham, Alabama January 30-31, 2019. A summary of proposals is found on the [standards activity web page](#). Please note that the deadline for Fall 2019 Standardization Proposals is July 3, 2019

2018 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? 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. If you don't have the 2018 edition, your standards are already outdated! This edition is available as a hefty 652-page printed book, a searchable read-only USB drive, or a printed book/USB 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](#).



Position Announcements

The Forest and Wildlife Research Center/College of Forest Resources, Mississippi State University seeks to fill a 9 or 12-month, tenure-track, full-time, Assistant Professor position with research, teaching and service/outreach responsibilities in the area of biobased composites within the Department of Sustainable Bioproducts (formerly Forest Products). Incumbent will participate in all aspects of the department's comprehensive research, teaching, and service program, and is also expected to develop and conduct a program of research in forest- and other bio-products/wood science and technology with an emphasis on wood/biobased composites and engineered wood. Candidate will vigorously pursue extramural funding through scientific-based competitive grants, industrial grants and contracts, etc. and to build a nationally recognized program. Service and outreach will be pursued via a combination of activities at the university, professional associations, site visits, short courses and workshops, web-based communication, and written reports, etc. Incumbent will teach undergraduate and graduate courses such as biobased composites, advise students, assist curriculum development, and carry other departmental responsibilities as appropriate. To obtain more information or to apply, visit <http://explore.msujobs.msstate.edu/cw/en-us/job/498066/assistant-professor>

McFarland Cascade, a leading North American producer and marketer of industrial treated wood product, seeks a highly qualified Plant Manager for their Warsaw, Virginia, Operations. Great opportunity with comprehensive benefits package and salary for experienced candidate in the wood industry. Please contact Glynn Pittman, Director of Southern Operations, at 601-479-1344. More information is available at www.ldm.com/careers.html

In Memoriam

It is with the greatest sadness that we announce the passing of these AWPA members and friends. We extend our most sincere condolences to the family, friends and business associates of these gentlemen.

- **William R. (Bill) Grimes**, Centerpoint Energy. Bill passed away on November 11, 2018. AWPA was proud to have him as a member from 1986-2016.
- **Ralph Morris**, Pacific Wood Preserving. Ralph passed away in December 2018.
- **Christopher R. (Chris) Shadday**, Viance. Chris passed away on December 26, 2018. AWPA was proud to have him as a member from 2007-2016.

AWPA Welcomes New Members

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

- **Pino Pucci**, Tolko Industries
- **Brandon Hunter**, Koppers
- **Michael Hibbison**, Home Depot
- **Jeffrey Stauffer**, Genics, Inc.

2019 AWPA Sponsorships

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 2018, you should have received a renewal request by email and also by postal mail. If your organization has not received a renewal request, please let us know and we will send you a duplicate. If you are not currently a sponsor and you're able to support AWPA financially, please [visit the "become a sponsor" web page](#) or [contact AWPA](#) for more information.

Call for Papers: 115th Annual Meeting

The AWPA Annual Meeting arrangements committee is putting together an excellent technical program and social events for the 2019 Annual Meeting in Orlando, Florida. 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 immediately, as there are not many openings left. [contact AWPA](#) if you have any questions or need additional information.

Upcoming AWPA Meetings

- **Winter 2019 Executive Committee Meeting:** Birmingham, Alabama at the Hilton Garden Inn Downtown, January 30-31, 2019
- **Spring 2019 Executive Committee Meeting:** Orlando, Florida, at the Loews Royal Pacific Resort, May 4, 2019
- **115th AWPA Annual Meeting:** Orlando, Florida, at the Loews Royal Pacific Resort, May 5-7, 2019
- **Summer 2019 Executive Committee Meeting:** Birmingham, Alabama (Date and venue TBA)
- **2019 Fall Technical Committee Meetings:** Anchorage, Alaska at the Captain Cook Hotel, September 15-19, 2019

Sponsorship Opportunities for IRG 50

The International Research Group on Wood Protection is hosting their [50th Annual Meeting](#) at the Chateau Frontenac in Quebec City. The conference will begin just a few days after the conclusion of AWPA's 115th Annual Meeting in Orlando, and many are making plans to attend both meetings. The IRG 50 Organizing Committee requests your sponsorship of this important anniversary. There are three levels of sponsorship: \$2000, \$4000, and \$6000 Canadian Dollars with corresponding levels of sponsor recognition. For more information or to contribute, please [contact Rod Stirling at FP Innovations](#).

Meetings of Other Organizations

Make plans to attend these other conferences as well!

- [50th International Research Group on Wood Protection](#), Quebec City, Canada, May 12-16, 2019
- Forest Products Society 73rd International Convention, Atlanta, Georgia, June 26-28, 2019

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