

Wood WORKS! E-Bulletin Branché sur le bois

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National

- **2010 Olympics**

Wood WORKS! continues to work with the Olympic Oval design team in providing technical support as necessary, to ensure wood is being showcased in the building. A total innovative wood roof option will be used for the oval making it one of the largest recreational wood structures in the world. Wood WORKS! is also working closely with the architects and engineers involved with the other 2010 facilities being a Curling Rink and Nordic Center and provides technical advice to the construction team to ensure wood solutions are used on all 2010 structures.

Les Jeux olympiques 2010

Branché sur le bois travaille de près avec l'équipe de design de la patinoire Olympique en fournissant le soutien technique nécessaire pour assurer que le bois occupe une position importante dans les bâtiments Olympiques. Une option en bois complètement innovatrice sera utilisée pour l'oval, ce qui en fera un des plus grands bâtiments récréatifs en bois au monde. Branché sur le BOIS! travaille de très près avec les architectes et les ingénieurs impliqués sur d'autres projets pour 2010, tels l'Aréna de curling et le Centre nordique. De plus, Branché le BOIS! fournit de l'aide technique à l'équipe de construction pour assurer que des solutions en bois soient utilisées dans toutes les structures pour 2010.

- **Wood WORKS! Web Site**

The Wood WORKS! web site has been revamped. OPTS has been tested and the new system has been launched. New information has been added and a new user-friendly site has been developed. If you have any comments and suggestions to improve our web site, please forward them to Jennifer Duthie at: jduthie@cwc.ca

Le site Web de Branché sur le bois!

Le site Web de Branché sur le bois! a été amélioré. L'OPTS a été testé et le nouveau système a été lancé. De nouveaux renseignements a été ajoutée et un nouveau site facile à utiliser a été développé. Si vous avez des commentaires ou suggestions pour améliorer notre site Web, veuillez contacter Jennifer Duthie à : jduthie@cwc.ca

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Wood Council initiative**

***Branché sur le bois est une
initiative du Conseil canadien
du bois***

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British Columbia

- **Successful 3rd Annual Wood Design Awards Gala**

The third annual Wood *WORKS!* Excellence in Wood Design Awards Gala was all it was anticipated to be and more. The annual event, put on by the Canadian Wood Council – Wood *WORKS!* project once again wowed guests with an amazing array of products that used wood in innovative, creative and economical ways.

Mary Tracey, Executive Director for BC Wood *WORKS!*, said the projects that were nominated for the eight categories continue to raise the bar in wood design and building excellence. “There were some outstanding projects entered this year, but although only a few won, every single project is a winner,” Tracey noted. “Each and every one of the projects nominated help build awareness of the benefits of building with wood. The use of wood, helps to build a wood culture. Each of the projects nominated is leading by example.”

Project categories included Interior Beauty of Wood, Residential Wood Design, Multi-Unit Residential, Green Building, Natural Cedar, Commercial Wood Design, Institutional Wood Design and Technical Innovation Award. Tracey said that the Natural Cedar and Technical Innovation awards were new categories this year. Awards were also presented for Industry Leader, Engineer of the Year, Architect of the Year and Wood Champion.

“All of the awards are sponsored by companies or associations,” Tracey noted. “Without their support, the event would not be able to take place. Forest Innovation Investment was the Event Sponsor. Gold sponsors were: Canfor, Coast Forest Products Association, Council of Forest Industries, Gorman Bros. Lumber, Interfor, Mill & Timber, Structurlam, Tembec, Western Forest Products and Weyerhaeuser. West Fraser was a Silver Sponsor and Dunkley Lumber was a bronze sponsor.”

The Awards Gala was held at the Four Seasons Hotel in Vancouver, with a full house of 260 in attendance. The evening’s keynote speaker was Rich Coleman, Minister of Forests, and representatives from wood product manufactures, forestry associations mingled with designers and builders at the pre-event reception. For a complete list of this year’s award recipients, visit: www.cwc.ca

- **Wood Award Winning Projects on Display**

Storyboards highlighting the winning building projects from the 2005 and 2006, Wood Awards competitions, were on display for the month of February in the gallery of the Architectural Institute of BC.

- **Successful Wood Solutions Fair 2007**

Vancouver’s annual Wood Solutions Fair, held March 13 at the Vancouver Convention and Exhibition Centre, was a successful event for participants and exhibitors alike. Feedback on this year’s program rated very well amongst those in attendance. This year saw thirty-one exhibitors. Close to one thousand registrations had sixteen educational presentations on a variety of topics to choose from.

Alberta

Potential Wood Projects Pursued by Wood WORKS!

For more information on the projects , please contact the provincial directors by clicking on the project's link.

British Columbia:

[Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre](#)

[Mission Aquatic Center, Kelowna](#)

[South Okanagan Entertainment Center, Penticton](#)

2010 Olympic Venues:

[Olympic Speed Skating Oval, Richmond, BC](#)

[Whistler Sliding Center, Whistler](#)

Alberta:

[YMCA, Downtown Edmonton, AB](#)

[Community Hall, La Crete, AB](#)

[Evergreen Park Conference Pavilion, Grande Prairie, AB](#)

Ontario:

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Quebec:

[Tim Horton's](#)

- **Case Study**

Alberta Pressure Equipment Safety Authority building Case Study is now complete. To obtain a copy please contact Ken Glover at: kglover@wood-works.ca

- **Alberta Awards Gala**

Held at the Calgary Petroleum Club, April 18th, 2007.

- **Jim Fargey – Western Archrib**

Recipient of the 2007 Industry Champion Award, for his continued support of Alberta Wood *WORKS!* as well as his continued support in the use of wood in construction.

- **2007 Calgary Wood Solutions Fair**

Calgary, Alberta April 19th, 2007.

Ontario

- **MNR Funding Announced
March 30th**

Minister of Natural Resources, David Ramsay, was in North Bay to announce funding for the CWC's Wood *WORKS!* initiative. The MNR will contribute \$225,000/year for three years to support Wood *WORKS!* campaign to build markets for wood products.

"We're helping a key engine of our economy – the province's forest industry – increase its capacity to make and sell value-added products," said Minister Ramsay.

"Our government is working to boost the competitiveness of our forest sector, and to build markets for our wood," said Nipissing MPP Monique Smith. "The funding we are announcing today will help make that happen and support the valuable work of the Canadian Wood Council's Wood *WORKS!* campaign."

- **Student Competition Launched
March 30st**

The Ministry of Natural Resources has also allocated \$60,000/year for five years to assist Wood *WORKS!* with the execution of a wood product design competition for Ontario college students. The competition is designed to build excitement and stimulate innovation in value-added manufacturing and encourage more young people to get into the field of wood design and manufacturing. For complete information please contact: Sarah Hicks at: shicks@wood-works.ca

- **Presentations to Fanshawe College, March 22nd, the University of Windsor, March 23rd, and Nipissing University, March 23rd
February 22nd**

Wood *WORKS!* Technical Advisor, Max Torossi and CWC's Education Manager, Hugo Lemieux, made educational presentations to Fanshawe College and the University of Windsor on the Environmental Attributes of Engineered Wood Products. Wood *WORKS!* Coordinator Tim Buhler presented on "What's New in the Wood Industry" at Nipissing University.

- **Architects' Lunch and Learn
March 29th**

Wood *WORKS!* hosted a successful lunch and learn seminar on sustainability at Diamond Schmitt Architects Inc. in Toronto. There were approximately 40 staff members in attendance.

- **Elk Lake Eco Resource Centre**

Wood *WORKS!* made a presentation to area municipal and industry leaders at the re-launch ceremonies of the Elk Lake Eco Resource Centre in Elk Lake

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City Soccer Stadium](#)

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Sports centre](#)

Wood Links

[Become a Wood Champion -
Wood Champions Network!](#)

[Wood \(IN\)Site, the electronic
newsletter for builders,
architects and engineers.](#)

(www.elklakeeco.ca). The Elk Lake ERC was the recipient of a Wood WORKS! Wood Design Award in 2001.

- **Ontario Long Term Care – Annual General Meeting**

- April 16th-17th**

- Wood WORKS! attended the OLTC's AGM in Toronto and participated in the trade show and several networking events.

- **Upcoming ...**

- Ontario Wood WORKS! Steering Committee Meeting – Toronto (April 24)

- Northern Ontario Municipal Association AGM – Dryden (April 25-27)

- Lake of the Woods Wood Expo and Demo – Kenora (May 4-5)

- Ontario Architects Association AGM – Toronto (May 9-12)

Québec

- ***Conférence technique pour les ingénieurs : un grand succès!***

- Une séance de formation technique Le CNBC 2005 et l'ingénierie des bâtiments commerciaux en bois s'est tenue le mercredi 4 avril au Pavillon Gene-H.-Kruger de l'Université Laval. Dix-neuf (19) ingénieurs de la région de Québec et de Montréal ont assisté à cette séance de formation. Les participants ont indiqué que l'information présentée lors de cette séance les inciterait fort probablement à considérer le bois dans des projets non résidentiels futurs. Ils ont aussi mentionné que les principaux facteurs décisionnels dans le choix d'un matériau pour un projet de construction étaient les coûts et leurs connaissances en matière de techniques de construction. Ils ont suggéré que les prochaines séances de formation portent sur, entre autres, le Code national du bâtiment et les détails d'assemblages. Pour de plus amples renseignements, veuillez contacter Patrice Tardif à: ptardif@videotron.ca.*

- ***Technical conference for engineers a success***

- A technical training session entitled *Le CNBC 2005 et l'ingénierie des bâtiments commerciaux en bois* was held at Laval University's Gene-H.-Kruger Pavilion on Wednesday April 4th. There were nineteen (19) engineers in attendance from the Quebec City and Montreal areas. Participants noted that the information presented was very likely to incite them to consider wood in future non-residential projects. They indicated that cost and knowledge of the construction system were the main factors they considered when deciding on the building material for a project. Some of the topics they would like addressed in future training sessions include connection detailing and the National Building Code of Canada. For more information, contact Patrice Tardif at:

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Wood WORKS! would like to thank its project partners.

Branché sur le bois remercie ses partenaires.

The Wood **WORKS!** project is a national, industry-led initiative, spearheaded by the Canadian Wood Council, to promote the use of wood in commercial, industrial and institutional construction. The Wood **WORKS!** E-Bulletin is our method to communicate to you the many activities, accomplishments and successes of the initiative throughout the past month, as well as upcoming projects and events we are currently working on.

Le projet Branché sur le bois est une initiative nationale, lancée par l'industrie et menée par le Conseil canadien du bois, afin de promouvoir l'utilisation du bois dans la construction commerciale, industrielle et institutionnelle. Le Bulletin Branché sur le bois s'avère notre méthode de communication pour vous informer des activités, résultats et succès du projet au cours du mois, en plus de vous mettre au courant des événements à venir.

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