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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 is being considered by the oval design team. Discussions with the fire code consultant are taking place to remove the last barrier that could prevent the use of wood in the oval. Wood WORKS! is also working closely with the architects and engineers involved with the other 2010 facilities. A comprehensive communications 2010 campaign, managed by Wood WORKS!, is presently underway. Its objective is to get the design community excited about using wood!

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 innovatrice de toit en bois est actuellement considérée comme alternative par l'équipe de conception de l'ovale olympique. Des discussions avec le conseiller en code sur le feu sont en cours pour enlever la dernière barrière qui pourrait prévenir l'utilisation de bois dans l'ovale olympique. De plus, Branché sur le bois travaille avec les architectes et ingénieurs impliqués avec les autres bâtiments pour 2010. Une campagne complète de communications pour 2010, dirigée par le Branché sur le bois, est actuellement en cours. Son objectif est d'inciter les concepteurs à utiliser le bois.

- **Wood Design & Building Expo**

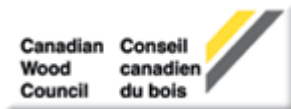
The inaugural Wood Design & Building Expo will be presented on November 6, 7, & 8 in Anaheim, California. This new event will showcase wood and wood related products to over 2000 architects, engineers, builders, contractors, etc. from North America. The event produced by the Canadian Wood Council will offer over 120 seminars on various wood related topics. If your company or association would like to participate and/or exhibit at the event, please contact Iain Thomas at: 1-312-673-4816.

L' exposition "Wood Design & Building Expo"

La première édition du "Wood Design & Building Expo" sera présentée les 6, 7 et 8 novembre prochain à Anaheim en Californie. Ce nouvel événement démontrera à plus de 2000 architectes et à ingénieurs de l'Amérique du Nord les possibilités exceptionnelles qu'offrent les produits du bois pour la construction. Cet événement qui est produit par le Conseil canadien du bois, offrira plus de 120 séminaires qui porteront sur différents thèmes reliés à l'utilisation du bois. Si votre compagnie ou association est intéressée à participer ou à exposer à cet événement, veuillez communiquer avec Iain Thomas au 1-312-673-4816.

- **Wood WORKS! Web Site**

Wood WORKS! is a
Canadian Wood Council
initiative



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

Feature Stories

[Successful 2nd Annual BC
Wood Design Awards Gala](#)

The Wood WORKS! web site will be revamped. New information will be added and a new user-friendly site will be developed. The new site should be ready to be launched later this year. If you have any comments and suggestions to improve our web site, please forward them to Ioana Lazea at: ilazea@cw.ca

Le site Web de Branché sur le bois!

Le site Web de Branché sur le bois! sera mis à jour. De nouveaux renseignements seront ajoutés et un nouveau site facile à utiliser est en voie de développement. Le nouveau site devrait être lancé plus tard cette année. Si vous avez des commentaires ou suggestions pour améliorer notre site Web, veuillez contacter Ioana Lazea à : ilazea@cw.ca

- **Wood WORKS! On-line Project Tracking System (OPTS)**

The long-term strategy for the project tracking system is being reviewed and a new developmental plan should be implemented in the next few weeks.

Système en ligne de suivi des projets

La stratégie à long terme pour le OPTS (Système en ligne de suivi des projets) est en revue et un nouveau plan du développement devrait être mis en exécution dans les semaines à venir.

British Columbia

- **Successful 2nd Annual BC Wood Design Awards Gala**

The 2nd annual "Excellence in Wood" Awards Gala was a resounding success with 260 individuals from the forest industry, design community and government in attendance. Held in the Grand Ballroom of the Four Seasons Hotel, Vancouver, 11 award recipients were honoured from the 61 nominations received. For the complete story please visit [this link](#).

- **In- House Seminars**

Robert Malczyk of Equilibrium Consulting Inc. in conjunction with the Wood WORKS! BC program gave two presentations this past month to staff of CEI Architecture Planning Interior Design. The presentation topic, Structural Wood Systems - Small Wood Structures was well received. There are plans for future presentations with Robert in Vancouver and Victoria.

- **Vancouver Wood Solutions Fair**

Vancouver's annual Wood Solutions Fair was held at the Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre on Thursday, March 16th. The BC Wood WORKS! booth displayed storyboards for all of the nominees for this year's 2006 Wood Design Awards competition.

- **WoodWorks® Software Workshop**

WoodWorks® design software workshops were held March 23rd in Victoria on campus at the University of Victoria and on March 24th in Vancouver at the downtown campus of BCIT.

- **Prince George Luncheon Conference**

On Thursday, March 29th the Wood WORKS! BC program will be hosting a Wood Design Luncheon Conference at the Coast Inn of the North. Speakers for the event are G Geoff Triggs, LMDG Building Code Consultants Ltd; Fred Tai, Simpson Strong-Tie Canada, Ltd and Ron Kao, Larry McFarland Architects. For more information and registration contact event coordinator, Lorna Malone at lmalone@wood-works.org or phone 877-929-9663 extension 4.

Alberta

- **Activities for Alberta Wood WORKS!**

The Alberta Wood WORKS! project has been active on several fronts and the following highlights some of the major activities that are being pursued by

Upcoming Events

[Alberta Wood WORKS! Gala - April 18, 2006 - Edmonton](#)

[Wood Solutions Fair - Edmonton, April 19, 2006](#)

[Ontario Wood WORKS! Gala - October 16, 2006 - Toronto Design Exchange, Toronto](#)

[Wood Solutions Fair - Toronto, October 17, 2006](#)

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:

the program:

Alberta Wood Solutions Fair - April 19, 2006 in Edmonton, Alberta
Alberta Wood Design Awards - Alberta's first Wood Design Awards event is scheduled the evening prior to the Wood Solutions Fair - April 18, 2006.

[Registration](#) and [Nomination & Sponsorship Forms Attached](#)

Case Study - Close to Completion - Alberta Pressure Equipment Safety Authority building in the south side of Edmonton at the Research Park
[Progress Picture Attached](#)

Forintek - Alberta Government - Alberta Wood WORKS! Co-operative - Alberta Wood WORKS! in cooperation with Forintek and Alberta Sustainable Resource Development have entered into a funding arrangement for Wood WORKS! objectives under the provincial program titled, 'SRD-Forintek Alliance'. This arrangement provides the opportunity for annual funding support under a proposal basis. Projects must be consistent and complimentary with Alliance Goals.

Project Lobby - Presentation made to Evergreen Park Association in Grande Prairie, Alberta; pitching the use of wood for their 70,000sqft conference centre.

Builders Insurance Project - AB Wood WORKS! will be working with Forintek to undertake a survey of insurance firms, builders and building officials in an effort to determine what is causing the rising cost of Building Insurance especially when wood is used, and what products or services could effectively reduce the insurance rates.

- **Annual General Meeting and Conference for the Canadian Society for Civil Engineering**
Alberta Wood WORKS! to display and attend the Annual General Meeting and Conference for the Canadian Society for Civil Engineering to be held in Calgary, May 23-26th. www.csce2006.ca

Ontario

- **OFIA's AGM and MNR Forest Sector Competitiveness Secretariat Symposium**
Feb. 22nd & 23rd ,Toronto
Wood WORKS! was part of the panel presentation on Revitalizing Ontario's Forest Industries.
- **N.E. Ontario Sustainable Conference**
March 21 & 22nd, North Bay
Wood WORKS! has worked closely with the organizers to ensure that the wood industry has a key role at the first Sustainability Conference in Northern Ontario. We will make a presentation to Mayors and Municipal leaders to ensure they will plan future community development incorporating wood's environmental attributes.
- **Toronto Design Exchange Wood Exhibition**
Wood WORKS! will host and design an exhibition at the Design Exchange for 1 week in mid-October in conjunction with this year's wood awards Gala. We will be holding a design charette later this spring with industry partners to create a unique display.
- **Green Building Conference & Exhibition**
Apr10-11th, Ottawa
Wood WORKS! and Canadian Wood Council will have a prominent role to educate designers, builders and developers at this important conference.
- **Spring Conference roadshow**
Once again Wood WORKS! will be making presentations and meeting with delegates at the following Municipal conferences:

[YMCA, Downtown Edmonton, AB](#)

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

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

[Ontario:](#)

[Kitchener Library](#)

[Aylmer Fire Hall](#)

[Quebec:](#)

[Misstassini complexe communautaire: bibliothèque, piscine, centre sportif- construction en phases](#)

[Passerelles pour piste cyclable et de moto-neige – Rivière de la petite nation](#)

[Promenade des gouverneurs, Québec](#)

Wood Links

WOODCHAMPIONS
network

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

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

NOMA, Thunder Bay, April 27th & 28th
OSUM, Lemington, May 3rd & 4th
FONOM, Blind River, May 10th-12th.
Great Lakes Municipalities, Parry Sound. June 21st & 22nd
This year's focus will be on promoting Sustainable development using wood.

- **OAA-Ontario Architect AGM
Ottawa, May 10th-13th**
Conference display and education session for architects.

Québec

- **Conférence « boîte à lunch » chez Régis Côté architectes associés le 17 février 2006**
Une conférence traitant sur la construction durable et les produits du bois à été présentée par Branché sur le bois ! le 17 février dernier aux architectes et technologues chez Régis Côté, une firme d'architecture œuvrant dans le domaine de la construction non résidentielle. Régis Côté compte 5 boîtes au Québec et des partenariats à Edmonton, à New York, à Los Angeles et au Viêt-Nam. Trente et un membres de l'équipe fut présents. Ils ont demandé plus d'information sur les attaches et aimeraient recevoir des détails type pour des assemblages en bois comme ceux qu'ils reçoivent des industries de l'acier et du béton pour faciliter la spécification du bois.

Lunch Box conference held at Régis Côté Architects on the 17th of February 2006

Branché sur le bois ! held a conference on February 17th for architects and technologists at the Montreal offices of Régis Côté Architects, a firm specializing in non-residential construction. Régis Côté operates 5 offices throughout the province of Quebec, and has partnerships in Edmonton, New York, Los Angeles and Viet Nam. Thirty-one members of the team were present. They requested more information on connections and would like to receive typical details for wood assemblies much like they have for steel and concrete assemblies, in order to facilitate the specification of wood in their projects.

- **Discussions continues avec DÉC**
Les représentants de Branché sur le bois ! ont rencontré Développement économique Canada le 28 février dernier pour discuter du financement au Québec. Pour faire le suivi aux demandes de support du DÉC faites antérieurement, Pauline Rochefort, Jacques Gauvin et Richard Létourneau (du Conseil canadien du bois, du Conseil de l'industries forestière du Québec, et de l'Association des fabricants de structures de bois respectivement) ont rencontré les représentants du DÉC à leurs bureaux à Chicoutimi. DÉC semble avoir une ouverture envers le support de Branché.

Discussions continuing with EDC

Representatives of Branché sur le bois ! met with Economic Development Canada on February 28th to discuss funding for Quebec. Pauline Rochefort, Jacques Gauvin and Richard Létourneau (representing the Canadian Wood Council, the Quebec Council of Forest Industries and the Quebec Manufacturers of Wood Structures respectively) met with representatives of EDC at their Chicoutimi offices to follow-up with requests made for support of Branché sur le bois ! in the province of Quebec. There appears to be an openness by EDC to support Branché !

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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