



2008 NAWLA Wood Basics Course – Recap September 8 – 11 Corvallis, OR

The NAWLA Wood Basics Course returned to the Pacific Northwest in 2008! The recent Course took place in Corvallis, Oregon from September 8 –11 and once again had solid attendance with 33 students. According to attendee comments and written evaluations, the Course was “excellent.”

The four-day program included a mix of classroom modules and off-site field trips. Modules on forest ecology and silviculture, lumber manufacturing, structural panels, engineered wood products, grading, Random Lengths, marketing, sales and transportation were taught by over 12 industry experts, NAWLA Members and local academics from Oregon State University (OSU).

The signature, off-site tours were expanded to include a third excursion in the Willamette River Valley! Students will begin the week with a tour of nearby Starker Forest Lands & Education Center in Philomath. The tour included a peek at a harvesting operation (off-trail), ¼- mile hike (on-trail) and species identification. For further information on Starker Forest Lands, please visit www.starkerforests.com

On Wednesday, students journeyed to Eugene to see Zip-o-Log Mills – a “specialty timbers” sawmill that produces 100 percent Douglas Fir products, including 52-footers. For further information on Zip-o-Log Mills, please visit www.zipolog.com

A final tour of Rosboro in Springfield afforded students a first-hand look at three operations – sawmill, plywood plant and engineered wood plant – all at one location. For further information on Rosboro, please visit www.rosboro.com

Congratulations go to the Graduates of the Corvallis Class of 2008!

Timothy	Langlotz	Amerhart Ltd.
Ken	Schulze	Amerhart Ltd.
Bryan	Werner	Amerhart Ltd.
Billy	Yu	Artemis International Forest Products
Liz	Caputo	Bear Forest Products Inc.
Mike	Mills	Biewer Lumber
Laura	Harper	Biewer Lumber
Bob	McClellan	Biewer Lumber
Rezin	Everts	Everts Lumber Co.
John	Funch	Funch Lumber Company
Beatriz	Fernandez	Iber Lumber
Ivan	Mangles Araneo	Iber Lumber
Cory	Dalos	Idaho Timber
Jonathan	Butler	InterDyn-Artis
Nikki	Doyal	Klumb Lumber Company
Joey	Crane	Magnolia Forest Products, Inc.
Matt	Wittschiebe	McFarland Cascade
Michael	Wiley	North American Forest Products, Inc.
Steve	Sears	North American Forest Products, Inc.
Kristen	Manning	North Pacific
Jenny	Qian	Olympic Industries
Chris	Pelser	Oregon-Canadian Forest Products Inc.
David	Jeffers	PPG Machine Applied Coatings
Mike	Betz	Pacific Western Lumber
Chris	Chase	Patrick Lumber Company
Seth	Wright	Raven Logistics, Inc.
Adam	Verhulst	Roberts & Dybdahl Inc.
Adam	Russin	Russin Lumber Corp.
Charles	DiStefano	Sherwood Lumber Corp.
J.R.	Cummings	J.M. Thomas Forest Products
Paul	Campbell	J.M. Thomas Forest Products
Wayne	Petryshyn	Weston Forest Group