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29th NYLITF Annual Meeting

Edward G. Wright, President & CEO

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This year's New York Lumbermen's Insurance Trust Fund Annual Meeting featured one of the greatest agendas we have ever presented. Sessions included Sub-Contractor Q & A, Fall Protection, NYLITF Jeopardy, Recognizing the Signs of Drug and Alcohol Abuse and Workplace Violence.

In addition, members were presented a financial review, and a discussion of the Trust Fund investments. The Trust Fund ended 2009 with a Net Profit of \$456,740 and Members' Equity of \$3,997,966; both increased from 2008.

It was also reported that the Trust Fund recorded the lowest number of reported claims in its 29 year history (189). This is the result of the combined efforts of the W. J. Cox Associates, Inc. Loss Prevention Consultants and the Trust Fund Members.

Trust Fund Trustees Joel Bingham of Double Aught Lumber, Inc. and Steve Schaeffer of Wagner Millwork, Inc. were both unanimously re-elected to another three year term.

The lunch break featured the presentation of safety awards to 31 members in attendance as well as

door prizes, and a scholarship presentation to this year's recipient Taylor Szwec, daughter of Elizabeth Szwec of ADS Cyganovich in Owego, NY.

The buffet dinner was followed by an entertaining DJ and dancing.

Attendance was exceptional with 135 attendees. The Trust Fund Annual Report is available to all members upon request.

We hope to see you all at next year's meeting.



NYLITF Mission Statement

Our mission is to provide our Members the best value and financial security for workers' compensation and disability benefits with the objective of the utmost protection for the health and safety of our Members' employees. We shall achieve this by rendering unparalleled loss prevention service, vigilant claim handling, risk selection and cost control. We are committed to continuous improvement, achieving and maintaining Member satisfaction with integrity and respect.

Important Dates to Remember

May 7 & 8, 2010

Visit our booth at the
Northeastern Loggers' Association Expo
Essex Junction, VT

Monday, May 31, 2010

W.J. Cox Associates, Inc. office will be closed

Monday, July 5, 2010

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August 19 - 21, 2010

Visit our booth at the
New York State Woodsmen's Field Days
Boonville, NY

This publication is intended for the educational use of employees and contractors who work for and provide services to members of the New York Lumbermen's Insurance Trust Fund. The techniques suggested herein do not apply to all situations and all work procedures should be discussed with supervisory personnel prior to being applied to your job.

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New York Lumbermen's Insurance Trust Fund Area Meetings

Tuesday, October 12 Wednesday, October 13
Tupper Lake, NY Lake George, NY

Thursday, October 14
Oneonta, NY

Wednesday, October 20 Thursday, October 21
Ithaca, NY Olean, NY

Watch for the next issue of the
Kickback for more information.

Please join us in welcoming the following new Members to the New York Lumbermen's Insurance Trust Fund

Mayer Timber Management, LLC
East Aurora, NY

W. J. Cox Associates, Inc. Staff News

Congratulations to W. J. Cox Associates, Inc. President & CEO, Edward G. Wright, who celebrated his fifteenth anniversary on April 1, 2010.

W. J. Cox Associates, Inc. Chilly Chili Challenge

A good time was had by all at the first annual W. J. Cox Associates, Inc. Staff Cook Off, "The Chilly Chili Challenge". After all of the chilis were tasted and voted on by the staff and guests; Kathy Ayala was awarded First Place and Jan Noreck Second Place. Peter Sformo received the Fire Extinguisher Award.



Chilly Chili Challenge participants Marlene Stallone, Wendy Horbach, Kathy Ayala, Peter Sformo, Marilyn Kimberle, Laurie Westbrook & Jan Noreck.

Congratulations to our winners!

2010 Scholarship Winners

The William J. Cox Memorial Fund is pleased to announce the following scholarship winners for 2010:

SUNY ESF, Syracuse, NY:
James C. Kendall of Geneva, NY is in the class of 2011 studying Forest Resources Management. During vacation he works with his father, Donald G. Kendall of Kendall Timber Company. He plans to continue his studies after graduation from ESF at the University of Maine with the goal of Master's degree in Forestry.

Paul Smith's College:
William Bencze of Tupper Lake, NY is in his first year at Paul Smith's College studying Forestry. William also works in the family business, Bencze Logging, Inc. during vacation time. His goal is to be successful in the forestry program and to continue working in the woods business.

SUNY College at Morrisville:
Olivia Kasprzyk of Oriskany, NY is in the Wood Technology class of 2011. Olivia is the daughter of John and Amy Kasprzyk of Pellet-Tech, Oriskany, NY. Her future goal is to own her own business and design and produce custom wood furniture.

Thompson School of Applied Science:
Ian M. Barry, Salisbury, NH is enrolled in the Forest Technology program at University of NH. His father is Kevin Barry, a graduate of the Thompson School and wood buyer for Durgin

& Crowell Lumber Co. of Springfield, NH. Ian plans to work in the woods business upon graduation.

NELA administers a scholarship which is funded by the William J. Cox Memorial Fund. The winner of that scholarship is Benjamin Clay Fisher of Deerfield, NH. He plans to attend the University of NH this fall. His father William Perron, is a self-employed logger.

Penn State School of Forestry: The winner of the 2010 award will be announced in July.

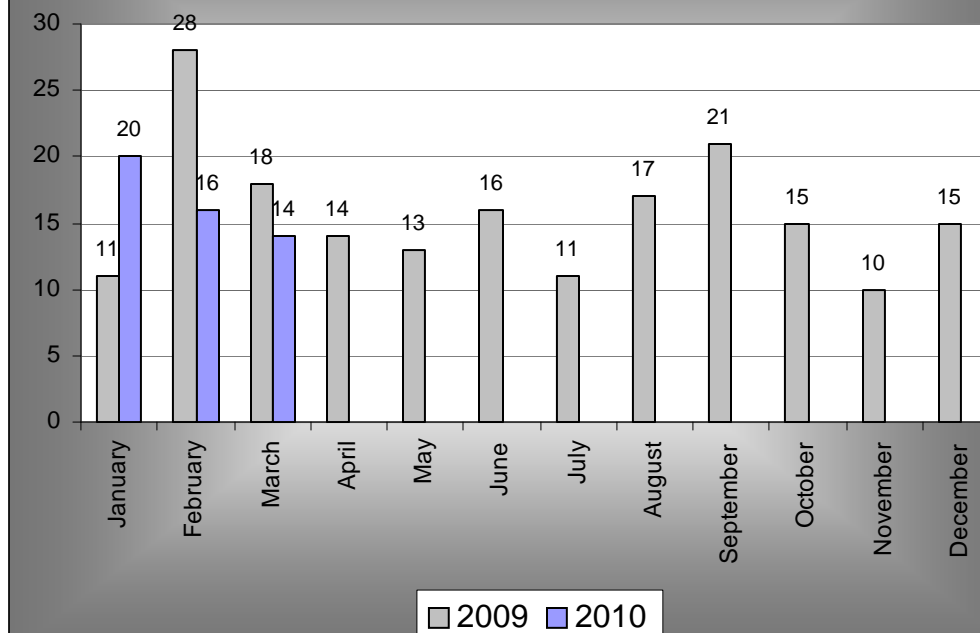
In 2011 we will add a scholarship at the University of Maine School of Forest Resources!

We are pleased and proud to sponsor these scholarships and hope that the recipients will continue to work in the forest products industry after completion of their studies and well into the future.

The William J. Cox Memorial Fund is supported by contributions from Lumbermen's Insurance Company LTD., a Bermuda company set up to provide reinsurance for the Forest Industry Insurance Group.

For more information on these and future scholarship opportunities please contact Jeanne Schmidt jschmidt@wjcox.com (716) 759-5102.

Reported Claims 2009 vs. 2010



The New York Lumbermen's Insurance Trust Fund ended 2009 with 189 reported claims, well below the 2008 total of 242.

The goal for 2010 is to reduce the number of reported claims by 5% to less than 180 reported claims.

Through March, 50 claims have been reported, which is seven less than the same period last year.

Please contact your Loss Prevention Consultant with questions regarding safety programs and training.

Thanks and keep up the good work!

Congratulations to the New York Lumbermen's Insurance Trust Fund 2009 Safety Award Recipients

A Feller & His Dawg
A & H Forest Management, Inc.
Trent Abare Logging & Trucking
Aden Brothers
All State Flooring Distributor
American Lumber Co., LP
Arcade Lumber & Millwork, Inc.
Axtell & Bradtke Lumber Co.
B & H Sawing
B. K. Logging
Baker Forest Products
Barnett Forest Products, LLC
Russell Bass & Sons Lumber, LLC
Dick Bauer Logging
Bencze Logging, Inc.
Berry Brothers Lumber, LLC
Best Pallet, LLC
Bestdeck, LLC
Bestway Enterprises, Inc.
Bissell-Babcock Millwork, Inc.
Andrew R. Boldt
Logging & Trucking
Ron Bovee Trucking & Logging, Inc.
Brush Cutters, LLC
Darin A. Buchanan
Builders Best Home Improvement
Center, Inc.
Burkum Trucking
Robert W. Butts Logging
C & Z Farms & Sawmill
C. C. Logging
Clement Caron
Catskill Forest Products, Inc.
Walter E. Chandler Forestry
Services, LLC
Chenango Forest Products
Choice Property Management, Inc.
Clapper Logging, Inc.
Clarkville Timber Harvesting
Clement's Burrville Sawmill, Inc.
Cook Trucking
Cotton-Hanlon, Inc.
Country Mill, Pallets & Crates
County Logging & Landclearing
Couture Timber Harvesting Corp.
James R. Currier
D & D Logging, Inc.
D & F Pallet Company
Dansville Dimension Corp.
Dansville Logging & Lumber Corp.
David Darling Logging
Demonstoy Lumber, Inc.
Peter DeVivi Productions, Inc.
Larry Dickerson Logging

Five Years Injury Free

Bey Brothers, Inc.
Brauen Construction
Christmas Forestry & Farm, LLC
Cooksburg Lumber Co., Inc.
Deer River Lumber Co., Inc.
DeRosia Lumber Company
Green Ridge Forestry
Roy Holmes Logging
M. J. Lyndaker Logging, LLC
Monroe and Son Logging
Reed Logging Co.
Silvasauls, Inc.
Spotswood Logging
Stuve's Logging
Timothy VanNostrand Logging
Woodhull Forest Products, Inc.

Ten Years Injury Free

Blue Ox Forest Products, Inc.
S. L. Bureau Wood Products, Inc.
Fleischman Farms, Inc.
Johnson Forest Management
Ray A. Keith
Kenneth E. Smith
Tender Timber Management

Fifteen Years Injury Free

Croniser Logging, Inc.
K. B. Logging
Shepard Logging

Twenty Years Injury Free

Patrick Remillard

The following members were recognized for their
dedication towards continuous
improvement in safety:

Advantage Trim & Lumber Co., Inc.
Fitzpatrick & Weller, Inc.
Salamanca Lumber Co., Inc.
Superior Pallets, Inc.

John M. Dirig
Thomas Donnelly Logging
Donver, Inc.
Dugan Creek Lumber, LLC
Eagle Forest Products, Inc.
Eddy Lumber Co.
Edmonds Lumber
Evergreen Timber Corporation
Environmental Forest Products, LLC
Ewald Logging
Farney Tree & Excavation, LLC
Finger Lakes Timber Co., Inc.
D & J Flansburg Logging
Foxes Logging
G & T Enterprises
John R. Gardner Timber Enterprises
Herman Gehrke Logging, LLC
Duane A. Golley
A. E. Gombert Lumber Co., Inc.
Graham Logging
Great Lakes Specialties
Guldenschuh Logging & Lumber
Rynard G. Gundrum Lumber
Hallett's Forest Products
Hamburg Aero Leasing, LP
Hayes Logging
Donald Hayes Trucking, LLC
Wilbur Haynes Forestry
Homer Logging Contractors
Hutchins Logging
Indacom Place
Instantheat Wood Pellets, Inc.
J & S Logging, Inc.
J. C. Lumber, Inc.
Craig Jochum Logging
Johnson Brothers Lumber
Joyce Logging
Kane Logging
William Keith Logging
Ken's Logging, Land Clearing &
Firewood, Inc.
King Forest Products
Kilmer Lumber Co., Inc.
Klein & Sons Logging, Inc.
Koenig Brothers Sawmill, Inc.
Lake George Forest Products, LLC
Landry Logging, Inc.
Laroe Sawmill
Law Logging
Le Lin Logging, Inc.
Levi Lumber Company
Lincoln Davies Company, Inc.
Lizotte Logging, Inc.
Lobdell Logging

Locust Hill, LLC
 Daniel Lyndaker & Sons Logging
 Richard Martin Logging
 McClelland Logging
 Cory E. McConnell
 McGraw Lumber Co., Inc.
 McGraw Sales Corp.
 Mead Lumber Co., Inc.
 Roy Metott Logging
 Middaugh Logging
 Lyle W. Moser Logging
 Mountain Forest Products, Inc.
 Munger Logging
 Murphy's Logging
 N. V. Lumber Company
 Napper Logging, LLC
 Norton-Smith Hardwoods, Inc.
 O. F. K. Wood, Inc.
 Olmstead Logging, LLC
 Olson Logging
 O'Neill Brothers Logging, Inc.
 O'Neill Brothers Trucking, Inc.
 P & T Timber Sales, Inc.
 Pallets, Inc.
 Pallets Plus
 Paulson Wood Products, Inc.
 Pawlikowski Sawmill
 Pearson Logging
 Dale A. Perry
 Van C. Peters Logging, Inc.
 A. Petteys Lumber
 Phillips Angelica Forest
 Products, Inc.
 Chad Pierson Logging
 Potter Lumber Co., Inc.
 Quality Hardwoods, Inc.
 Kevin Regan Logging, Ltd.
 Richards Logging, LLC
 Danny J. Robbins, LLC
 Robinson Lumber, LLC
 Rock Oak Lumber
 Rothe Lumber Corp.
 S & S Logging
 Sacandaga Lumber



The following members were recognized for their dedication to excellence in safety:

Baillie Lumber Co., LP - Boonville
 Baillie Lumber Co., LP - Hamburg
 Baillie Lumber Co., LP - Smyrna Sawmill
 Baillie Lumber Co., LP - Smyrna Yard
 Baldwin's Forest Products, Inc.
 CCN International, Inc.
 Double Aught Lumber, Inc.
 J & J Log & Lumber Corp.
 McNeilly Wood Products, Inc.
 Paul J. Mitchell Logging, Inc.
 Pallet Services, Inc.
 Seaway Timber Harvesting, Inc.
 Wagner Hardwoods, LLC
 Wagner Lumber
 Wagner Nineveh
 Ward Lumber Co., Inc.

Safety Coordinators of the Year:

Brian J. Hamblin - Pallets, Inc.
 Angela J. Reitz - Baldwin's Forest Products, Inc.
 Brenda S. Snyder - Donald L. Snyder, Jr.
 Christopher A. Waite - Tioga Hardwoods, Inc.
 The Safety Team - GNH Lumber, Inc.
 The Safety Team - White's Lumber, Inc.



Clockwise starting at the top: One year safety award winners, The White's Lumber, Inc. Safety Team, The GNH Lumber, Inc. Safety Team, Members recognized for their Dedication to Excellence in Safety, Dave Reed & Zak Saulsgiver receiving Five Year Safety Awards, Steve Krzes from Fitzpatrick & Weller, Inc. receiving safety award from Jeff Worrall.



St. Lawrence Lumber, Inc.
 Wayne D. Seelow
 Shepards Mill, Inc.
 Sherman Logging
 Smith Timber Harvesting
 James C. Smith Logging
 Donald L. Snyder, Jr.
 Ron Spann Logging
 Rudy Stempel &
 Family Sawmill, Inc.
 Stix, Inc.
 Stone Ridge
 Excavating & Logging
 Ken Strong Hauling
 Sullivan Forest Products, Inc.
 T & C Logging
 Tallman Tree Farm, Inc.
 George Tender Logging
 Terrell Logging
 3B Timber Company, Inc.
 Thurman & Sons, Inc.
 Timberland Associates
 Timberland Forestry
 Tioga Hardwoods, Inc.
 Tree & Home, Inc.
 Trinity Forest
 Management Services
 U-Cut Enterprises, Inc.
 W. L. Trucking, Inc.
 Wadsworth Logging, Inc.
 Wagner Trucking &
 Timber Corp.
 Wares of Wood, Inc.
 Waruch Lumber, Inc.
 Washburn Logging
 West Logging
 George Whelden Logging
 Lynn Widrick
 Wieland Timber Harvestors, Inc.
 Michael Wilson Logging
 Windham Equipment
 Rental, Inc.
 Woodstock Beamworks

