



Ohio Valley Lumber Drying Association

About the Speakers

Dr. Gene Wengert

Gene Wengert, extension specialist at Virginia Tech and the University of Wisconsin-Madison, as well as a researcher at the US Forest Products Lab has been teaching, researching and practicing lumber drying for 50 years. He is known for his practical suggestions. He has written Drying Hardwood Lumber plus six other books.

Dr. Adam Taylor

Professor

Adam Taylor is the Wood Products Extension Specialist at the University of Tennessee. His responsibility is to assist Extension agents, the wood industry, landowners and interested individuals to do more, better, with wood products. Dr. Taylor was raised in Canada, went to school in Oregon, and is now happy to live and work in east Tennessee.

Mr. Tommy Stiles

A.W. Stiles Contractors have been providing lumber dry kiln services and equipment since 1986. Throughout the years, they have accumulated lots of experience in all kinds of fields in the lumber drying industry. They design, supply, and install many types of upgrade equipment for all kinds of kilns. Today, we also fabricate and install our own line of new lumber dry kilns, walnut steamers, predryers, provide boiler services, and design and install steam piping systems.

Agenda Eastern Time Zone

Thursday, November 2, 2017

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Registration (Courtyard Marriot Hotel)

1:00 PM - Dr. Gene Wengert—Quality Drying Options and Techniques Prior to Kiln Drying: Detailed Description, Pros and Cons (emphasis on oak).

2:15 PM - Dr. Adam Taylor— UT Research and Phytosanitation

3:15 PM - Break

3:45 PM - Mr. Tommy Stiles-Kiln Maintenance

4:45 PM - Stress Relief

6:00 PM - Dinner & Business Meeting of the OVLDA
In meeting room.

7:30 PM - Refreshments in Hospitality Suite

Friday, November 3, 2017

8:00 AM - Breakfast to go. Provided with registration.

8:30 AM - Leave Hotel for Havco

Travel to Havco tour
150 Oak Hill Ln,
Vonore, TN 37885

9:15 AM – 10:30 AM - Tour Havco

10:45 AM – 11:45 AM - Tour Genera Energy

167 Tellico Port Road
Vonore, TN 37885

12:00 PM – 12:45 PM - Tour Benton’s Hams

2603 Hwy. 411 North
Madisonville, Tennessee

12:45 PM– Meeting adjourns

Registration Form: Fall 2017 Meeting, November 2 -3, 2017
Alcoa, TN

Name: _____ Title: _____
Company: _____ Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Daytime Phone: (_____) _____ Email _____

Please type or print clearly. If more than one person plans to attend, please copy this form and provide the above information for each person attending. Registration includes handouts, break refreshments, and Dinner on Thursday, November 2, 2017

Registration Deadline is October 27, 2017 (Late registration add \$20.00)

Registration Fee: **\$80.00** per person

Please make checks payable to: Ohio Valley Lumber Drying Association

Send To: Bobby Ammerman
University of Kentucky
Department of Forestry
130 Robinson Road
Jackson, KY 41339

About the Tours:

Havco

150 Oak Drive
Vonore, TN 37885



In 1978, Havco set a goal: To manufacture the finest oak hardwood flooring for trailers, truck bodies and containers. Now, over 35 years later, Havco has become the industry leader. It's this leadership that has resulted in the development of the patented [Fusion Floor](#) – a new generation of composite floor. This floor, available exclusively from Havco, is stronger and lasts longer than traditional trailer flooring, which means higher dividends to fleets over the long haul.

Fusion Floor, along with Havco 100% Oak floors are manufactured with pride in America. Havco has two manufacturing facilities, each staffed with dedicated employees and state-of-the-art technology. Our goal has always been to provide our customers with the highest-quality, longest-lasting and durable flooring available and a solid return on investment. It's why we stand behind every product we make with an industry-leading warranty.

Vonore, TN : Built in late 1984, the Vonore plant covers 430,000 square feet. Its location in the foothills of the Great Smoky Mountains allows for easy access to the largest oak-producing region in North America.

Genera Energy

167 Tellico Port Road

Vonore, TN 37885

Genera Energy Inc. is the nation's leading biomass supply-chain management resource that provides comprehensive commercial biomass feedstock supply and services. From full-service energy crop production and turnkey supply-chain solutions to providing biomass management systems and consulting, Genera builds a bridge between biomass users and land-owners.

Based in Vonore, Tennessee, Genera's services are used around the United States and internationally, with a broad customer base that spans a wide range of agricultural crops and biomass types.

About the Tours:

Genera Energy cont'd

We have unrivaled experience in energy crop production and biomass supply. A key part of our strategy and value is continuous innovation, creating efficiencies that drive down costs in biomass supply. Through a network of partners, we scale and deliver a reliable stream of sustainable biomass feedstocks to our customers.

Benton's Country Hams

2603 Hwy. 411 North
Madisonville, Tennessee

Benton's Smoky Mountain Country Hams are slow cured using salt, brown sugar, and sodium nitrite and typically aged 9-10 months, though hams are available 1 year and older. This time-honored practice dates back to the era of our forefathers, when the preparation and preservation of meat was a way of life and sustenance. Although the hands of time and technology have sculpted many aspects of our modern world, at Benton's Smoky Mountain Country Hams we have upheld the traditional dry-curing process and are striving to produce world class country hams and bacon.



Our business was started in 1947 by the late Albert H. Hicks, a dairy farmer who began curing and selling country hams out of a painted block building. Allan Benton and his employees have honed the dry-curing of hams and bacon into a culinary art and have catapulted the products from a simple breakfast mainstay into the world of gourmet cooking, where they have been praised for their characteristic flavor. Our products make excellent gifts and can be shipped anywhere in the United States.

Hotel Reservations and Meals

A small block of rooms has been reserved on a first come basis at the Courtyard by Marriott Knoxville Airport. The room block will be released on October 25th. Reservations can be made by calling the Courtyard Marriott (reduced rate of \$89) at 865-977-8333.

Please use the group code OVLDA.



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AND SOUTHEAST DRY KILN CLUB

Presents



Fall 2017 Joint Meeting

November 2-3, 2017

Courtyard by Marriott Knoxville Airport

141 Furrow Way

Alcoa, TN 37701

865.977.8333

Tours:

Havco

Genera Energy

Benton's Bacon and Ham

Sponsors:

University of Kentucky Forestry Extension

North Carolina State Wood Products Extension

University of Tennessee Department of Forestry,
Wildlife and Fisheries