

About the Speakers:

Dr. Ellen Crocker

Dr. Ellen Crocker is a Postdoctoral Associate with the Forest Health Research and Education Center at the University of Kentucky. A Kentucky native, she recently completed her PhD at Cornell University in the Department of Plant Pathology. Her research has focused on pathogens of forest and marsh plant species, with special attention to oomycete pathogens, such as Sudden Oak Death.

Dr. Eric McConnell

Eric McConnell is an Assistant Professor and Extension Specialist at North Carolina State University in Raleigh, NC. His program areas include the economic impacts of forestry and forest products, timber price trends, and grading systems.

Mr. Chris Travis

Chris Travis is the plant manager at Frank Miller Lumber's dry kiln and concentration yard in Salem. Chris has 27 years experience in the Hardwood Industry. Chris has been employed with Frank Miller lumber since 2006. Since joining Frank Miller he has specialized in drying Quartersawn White Oak lumber. As well as Quartered Red Oak, Walnut, Cherry & Maple.

Hotel Reservations

A small block of rooms have been reserved on a first come basis at the French Lick Springs Hotel, French Lick, IN. The hotel is expected to fill-up on the 16th so early hotel reservation is a must. The room block will be released on March the 25th. Reservations can be made by calling the resort at 1-888-936-9360 and using the group code 0415OVL. When making reservations please identify that you are with the Ohio Valley Lumber Drying Association so the association receives room rental recognition. The room rate for the French Lick Springs Hotel is \$169 plus tax for the nights of the 15th & 16th. The hotel is offering the OVLDA group 10% discount on single service spa treatments and a \$5 gaming coupon. In addition, OVLDA meeting participants will be able to stay through the weekend for the same rate depending on room availability – so reserve early!!! There is also a discounted rate of \$199 if you prefer to stay at the West Baden Springs Hotel. Transportation is provided between the two hotels. Just be sure to mention the Ohio Valley Lumber Drying Association and the group code 0415OVL. Call and make reservations **before March 25, 2015**. If you call for reservation on March 25 or later, you may be charged the normal hotel rate but please confirm to them you are staying for the OVLDA meeting.

Agenda

Eastern Time Zone

Thursday, April 16, 2015

11: 00 am - 12:00 pm Registration (Truman Room)

12:00 pm - Lunch (Truman Room)

Technical Presentations (Truman Room):

1:00 pm - Dr. Ellen Crocker, University of Kentucky, **Threats on Our Doorstep:** Emerging forest pathogens and pests

1:50 pm - **Sustainability of White Oak Timber Supply**

2:40 pm - Break

3:00 pm - Mr. Chris Travis, Frank Miller Lumber, **How to Dry Quartersawn Lumber**

3:30 pm - Dr. Eric McConnell, North Carolina State University, **Revisiting the Timber Quality Index**

4:00 pm - **OVLDA General Business Meeting**

4:30 pm - adjourn for the day

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Eastern Time Zone

Friday, April 17, 2015

8:30 am - Salem Hardwood Lumber Co. Sawmill Div. Salem, IN

9:45 am - Salem Hardwood Lumber Co. Dry Kiln and Concentration yard in Salem, IN

11:00 am - Frank Miller Lumber Co. Dry Kiln and Concentration yard in Salem, IN

Registration Form: **OVLDA Spring Meeting, April 16—17, 2015**

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

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

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 lunch on Thursday, April 16th.

Registration Deadline is April 14, 2015 (Late registration add \$20.00)

Registration Fee: **\$125.00** Person Member of OVLDA **\$145.00** Person Non-Member of OVLDA

Please make checks payable to: Ohio Valley Lumber Drying Association

About the Tours:

Salem Hardwood Lumber Company

Salem Hardwood Lumber Company are buyers of standing timber and forestland in Indiana and Kentucky. Their experienced forestry staff manages its timberlands for sustained timber production, wildlife management and forest recreational uses.

Primarily, their woodlands are dedicated to supporting the sawmill in Salem, Indiana with a steady stream of quality sawlogs, as well as, veneer logs for our parent company, Coldwater Veneer, Inc. Forest stewardship provides additional benefits such as watershed management and healthy forest growth. Woodland future value is enhanced through sustainable selective harvesting.

They also assist forest landowners in maximizing their long term returns and sort term goals through professional forest management. Their two staff foresters have combined field experience of over 65 years in forest management planning, silviculture, property boundary identification, watershed management and timber harvesting operations.

If you have questions about harvesting your timber or our Forest Management Assistance Program, contact our Forestry Division at 812-896-5507.

Salem Hardwoods Lumber Co., Sawmill Division

5162 State road 56 west
Salem IN 47167



The sawmill was purchased first to provide opportunities to manufacture hardwood lumber in the heavily timber based area. The sawmill is located on a 66 acre site and has plenty of room to expand. Shortly after purchasing the mill, a band line bar was added for increased production followed by headrig optimization. Currently the mill employs 30 people.

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Salem Hardwood Lumber Co.

1900 State road 56 East
Salem IN 47167

Following the purchase of the sawmill, an existing dry kiln concentration yard was purchased which is located just 6 miles East of the sawmill division. The yard is equipped with 5 (250,000 bd. ft) American Wood Dryers, Inc. Dry kilns and T-sheds, a 400 hp Industrial wood waste boiler, automated stacker, and a Newman 382 board planer. The yard was operated in the existing form with the exception of small building expansion. In 2006 the decision was made to expand the dry kiln capacity along with adding a green lumber in bound line with lumber inspection, trimming, tallying, and sorting capabilities. Four (250,000 bd. ft) new SII dry kilns were added along with a (35,000 bd. ft) steamer. Currently 19 people are employed at Salem Hardwood Lumber Co. concentration yard location. Contact Gavin Freel for KD and green lumber pricing and availability at (812) 883-3314.



ABOUT THE TOURS:

Please bring Safety glasses and earplugs.

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About the Tours:

Frank Miller Lumber

7016 E. Old 56
Salem, IN 47167

For over a century, Frank Miller Lumber has been a family-run business continuously operating at its 20-acre founding location in rural Union City, Indiana. From filling small orders for local farmers with cross-cut saws and steel-wheeled wagons, we have grown into a thriving, global enterprise employing state-of-the-art sawmill and kiln drying technology.

FML is a wholesale lumber supplier specializing in the manufacture of quartersawn hardwood lumber with the bulk of our production in white and red oak. Other quartersawn hardwood species include cherry, hickory, hard maple, walnut and poplar. Although we don't manufacture plainsawn hardwood, we purchase high-end, quality green lumber from reputable local sawmills. This lumber is dried in our kilns, graded and sold through our distributor network. Seeing a need for expansion, FML purchased a 100-acre tract of land in Salem, Indiana, in 2000 to be used primarily as a drying facility. Located in southern Indiana, the Washington County property was developed and completed one year later. The Salem site is situated on one of the highest points in Washington County, which affords good year-round air flow. There are several T-sheds and a dry shed, as well as a full-service log yard.

A Hurst 600 HP wood waste boiler provides steam for our ten state-of-the-art USNR kilns. A 38 ft. grading deck with catwalks, feed chain, tilt hoist, accumulation deck and trimmer. In addition, a PLC program has been installed. The Salem plant currently employs 30 people. FML has an NHLA trained and certified staff ready to stick, dry, grade, tally and sort lumber. We offer custom drying services at the Salem facility, where it is currently kiln-drying for two major lumber companies. Please call Chris Travis at the Salem plant (812-883-8077) for your custom drying needs.



Ohio Valley Lumber Drying Association

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Spring Meeting

April 16 - 17, 2015

French Lick Springs Hotel and Resort

8670 West State Road 56

French Lick, IN 47432

1-888-936-9360

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