



THE CUTTING EDGE

August 2013

Calendar of Events

Note: For a complete listing of all meetings, including those held internationally, go to WMMA's website, www.wmma.org and click on "Events."

Have an event to add to the Industry Calendar in this newsletter? Send it to maryhelen@wmma.org.

September 15-18, 2013
WMMA Board and Committee Meetings (Annapolis, MD)
Information: WMMA Headquarters, 443-640-1052

September 17, 2013
WMMA / WMIA DC Fly-In (Annapolis, MD/ Washington, DC)
Information: WMMA Headquarters, 443-640-1052

October 14-15, 2013
25th Annual WMI Workshop on Design, Operation and

Association News

Just Announced: Details on WIC 2014

Mark your calendar and save the dates! WMMA has announced details for the Woodworking Industry Conference (WIC), which it puts on each year in conjunction with the Woodworking Machinery Industry Association (WMIA).

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And speaking of WIC...

During WIC 2013, WMMA sponsored a walking tour of Arizona-based member company, UNIQUE Machine & Tool Co. A video synopsis of that tour is available on WMMA's website. [Please click here](#) to see it.

WMMA is looking forward to bringing members more video tours of companies in areas where meetings are held. Want to suggest a location, based on a meeting location? Contact WMMA today.

AWFS Recap: WMMA Takes Vegas

With higher attendance and a strong association presence, the AWFS Fair was a success this year for WMMA.

Held from July 24-27 at the Las Vegas Convention Center, the event included informative sessions, an exhibit hall, meetings and multiple opportunities for making contacts within the industry.

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Maintenance of Circular and Band Saws

Portland Convention Center
Portland, OR

www.woodmachining.com

October 24-26, 2013

The Woodworking Machinery and Supply Expo (WMS)

International Centre
Toronto, Canada

woodworkingexpo.ca

April 28-May 2, 2014

Woodworking Industry Conference (WIC)

Wyndham Rio Mar Beach Resort
Rio Grande, Puerto Rico

August 20-23, 2014

International Woodworking Fair (IWF)

Georgia World Congress Center
Atlanta, GA

www.iwfatlanta.com

May 11-15, 2015

LIGNA

Hannover, Germany

www.ligna.de/home

July 22-25, 2015

AWFS Fair

Las Vegas, NV

awfsfair.org

Connect with WMMA on Social Media!

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WMMA Board Member has Success with MRA Legislation in Congress

In late April, WMMA announced its support for of legislation introduced in Congress that would allow manufacturers to reinvest in machinery, facilities and job training through a Manufacturing Reinvestment Account (MRA). WMMA's own Jamie Scott (Air Handling Systems, Woodbridge, CT) and the Chair of Legislative Affairs for the New Haven Manufacturers Association (NHMA), was a strong voice in encouraging the passing of this act.

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Special Deals for WMMA Exhibitors at WMS

The Woodworking Machinery and Supply Expo (WMS), billed as Canada's largest woodworking event, is in the works. The dates will be Oct. 24-26, 2013, and the venue will be the International Centre in Toronto.

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IWF Corner

What's the latest on IWF 2014? Find out here!

IWF Corner is a new feature in The Cutting Edge. From now until showtime, here is where you'll find out all the latest information, plans, offers and more. IWF 2014 will be held Aug. 20-23 at the Georgia World Congress Center in Atlanta, GA.

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WMMA to March on Washington

By Frank Kobilsek, WMMA Public Policy Committee Chair
Along with associates from WMIA and AWFS, WMMA leaders and committee members are currently making appointments to visit Senators and Congressman in D.C. on Tuesday, September 17. The WMMA Public Policy Committee has developed the following as key legislative issues for the industry:

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It's the best way to stay current with WMMA, with other members, and with the industry as a whole. The social media pool is great, so dive right in. Contact the WMMA staff if you need any assistance! Find WMMA on Facebook and LinkedIn using the acronym WMMA, or searching on the full name of the organization. On Twitter, use WMMA @WoodMachineMfrs

Are YOU using social media to promote your business? WMMA would love to know about it. Drop us a line at maryhelen@wmma.org. We'll share some success stories in future newsletters.

Get Involved With WMMA!

Ever wanted to be more involved with WMMA? Committees are always seeking assistance. Contact the following committee chairmen to express your interest:

Membership Development Committee: [Chris Hacker](#)

Public Policy Committee: [Frank Kobilsek](#)

International Business Development: [Randy Keko](#)

ANSI 01.1 Committee: [Jim Laster](#)

Keep up with WMMA's free Washington Report

Want an insider's view of what goes on in Washington, D.C. and what can affect your business? Sign up to receive the free Washington Report.

WMMA's Public Policy Counsel John Satagaj sends out his report directly to WMMA members who indicate they would like to receive it. The report is published on the first of each month, and a benefit of membership to all in WMMA.

Want to receive the report? Send an e-mail to maryhelen@wmma.org

Industry News

WMI Workshop Planned for October in Oregon

The 25th Annual WMI Workshop on Design, Operation and Maintenance of Circular and Band Saws will be offered on Monday and Tuesday, October 14-15 at the Red Lion Hotel Lloyd Center, Portland, OR.

The session will provide participants with up-to-date information necessary to increase their company's profits by maximizing sawing accuracy and the rate of sawing and by reducing kerf losses, downtime and sawing equipment maintenance costs.

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