

PROFESSIONAL PAGES

AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION OF WOOD SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The SWST Distinguished Service Award is given in recognition of distinguished service to the profession as a whole and for extraordinary contributions in wood science and technology. Such service may have been made in any educational, technological, scientific, or professional area directly related to the profession of Wood Science and Technology in furtherance of the objectives of the Society as outlined in its Constitution and Bylaws. Guidelines for the award and past recipients can be found at <http://www.swst.org/news2/awards/dsaguide.html>.

Sub-Committee: Sheldon Shi (Chair), Alain Cloutier, Todd Shupe, Sue Anagnost, and Jim Funck. All Past Presidents also are on the committee, and vote on the recipient.

The 2015 award goes to **Jerrold E. Winandy**. His comments accompanying receipt of the 2015 SWST Distinguished Service Award follow.

2015 DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

WISDOMS AND TIDBITS (OR WHAT I HAVE LEARNED WHILE I GREW UP IN WOOD SCIENCE)

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Comments upon receipt of the 2015 Distinguished Service Award

First and foremost I need to give a very special thanks to my wife, Cindy, parents, and children. I also wish to thank the U.S. Forest Products Laboratory and SWST. Next, none of my research, work, or any achievements in my professional life would be possible without the guidance of my many mentors: Prof. John Senft (Purdue University), Alan Bendtsen (FPL), Kent McDonald (FPL), Prof. Roger Rowell (FPL/University of Wisconsin), Prof. Jeff Morrell (Oregon State University), and Prof. H. Michael Barnes (Mississippi State University). Each man provided inspiration in the various hodge-podge of technologies and sciences that represent Wood Science and Technology.

Now, I would like to take a few minutes to share some of the life-lessons that first helped me as a person, but also greatly helped me professionally.

- Recognize that you can never know the future, nor when a great achievement or a great loss will change your life, or that of others around you.
- Never expect someone else to fix your problems or brighten your day; That's your JOB!
- Plan and Prepare, but most importantly, learn to ADAPT!
- Never forget to give everyone you meet every chance to succeed! They all know something and it's often something you or I didn't know!
- Never lose sight of what and who are most important in your life. So never miss an opportunity to share your "boat" with the ones you love the most!
- Never stop sharing your dreams with those around you and with the ones you love, especially those who previously thought you were crazy!
- Never pass up a good campfire anytime it's available when it's with friends and loved ones!
- *Lead, Follow, or Get Out of the Way!* Don't whine; don't follow the crowd. Be original, be creative, *BE A LEADER!*

Accordingly, I personally think it is time for SWST to "*Fish or Cut Bait*". SWST needs to aggressively act and lead the way to a Bio-based, Renewable, & Sustainable Future! While not forgetting our "wood" heritage, let us aggressively embrace the fact that our science and especially our technologies, are relevant to so many lignocellulosic and bio-based materials.

In closing, I want to thank SWST and each of you for allowing me, over these many years, to work with you and learn something special from each of you. Thank you!

FELLOW AWARD

The Fellow award recognizes significant contributions to the wood science and technology profession and service to the Society by SWST members. Guidelines and past recipients can be found at <http://www.swst.org/news2/awards/fellowguide.html>. The 2015 committee was the Past President's Council with Sheldon Shi as Chair.

The recipient of the 2015 award is **Jim Funck, APA** - The Engineered Wood Association.

DISTINGUISHED EDUCATOR AWARD

The Distinguished Educator Award encompasses disciplines of teaching as well as outreach and is intended to recognize individual faculty and instructors at a university for sustainable performance of excellence in teaching or to recognize faculty, staff, or industry personnel for outstanding extension, engagement, and economic development activities in wood or related field. Guidelines and past recipients can be found at <http://www.swst.org/news2/awards/deaguide.html>. The 2015 committee: Robert Seavey (Chair), Douglas Gardner, Fred Kamke, Levente Denes, Rupert Wimmer, Henry Quesada, Travis Allen, Fang Chen, Bob Rice, and Gloria Oporto.

The recipient of the 2015 award is **Lech Muszynski**, Oregon State University

GEORGE MARRA AWARD

The George Marra Award is given in memory of George Marra by the Marra family in recognition of George's devotion to excellence in writing. Every article in each issue of the most recent volume of *Wood and Fiber Science* is read and judged by a committee. The Committee members were Martin-Claude Nguého Yemele (Chair, Natural Resource Ministry of Quebec), Armando McDonald (Vice Chair, University of Idaho), Chungping Dai (FPInnovation), Terry Conners (University of Kentucky). Guidelines for the award can be found at <http://www.swst.org/news2/awards/marraguide.html>.

The 2015 (Volume 46) winners are:

- J. Oscarsson, A. Olsson and B. Enquist. "Localized Modulus of Elasticity in Timber

and Its Significance for the Accuracy of Machine Strength Grading," 46(4) — **First Place**

- Clevan Lamason, Bryce MacMillan, Bruce Balcom, Brigitte Leblon and Zarin Pirouz. "Examination of Water Phase Transitions in Black Spruce by Magnetic Resonance and Magnetic Resonance Imaging," 46(4) — **Second Place**
- Xiaoqing Wang, Sichen Liu, Huanjun Chang and Junliang Liu. "Sol-Gel Deposition of TiO₂ Nanocoatings on Wood Surfaces with Enhanced Hydrophobicity and Photostability," 46(1) — **Third Place**

STUDENT POSTER COMPETITION AWARD

The purposes of the Student Poster Competition are to (1) Encourage student membership and participation in SWST; (2) Encourage student attendance at the SWST Annual Convention; (3) Recognize excellence in student research; and (4) Improve the visibility of student research efforts. Guidelines can be found at http://www.swst.org/news2/student_poster/index.html, past winners at http://www.swst.org/news2/student_poster/recipients.html, and competition contributors at http://www.swst.org/news2/student_poster/donation_request.html.

Judges for the 2015 competition were Fred Kamke (Oregon State University) – Chair; Levente Denes (West Hungary University); Mehdi Tajvidi (University of Maine); and Gloria Oporto (West Virginia University).

Sixteen posters were in competition at the Annual Meeting in Jackson, WY. The winners were:

- Charles Edmunds, North Carolina State University, “*Fungal pretreatment method optimization for small wood samples degraded by *Ceriporiopsis subvermispora**” — **First Place**
- Changlei Xia, University of North Texas, “*Self-activation process for biomass based activated carbon*” — **Second Place**
- Jinxue Jiang, Washington State University, “*Multi-technique characterization of Douglas-fir cell wall deconstruction during mechanical milling pretreatment*” — **Third Place**