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AREA MEETING IN FARMINGTON

A great turn out of about 30 MFPA members showed up at TAG Truck Center in Farmington in late May for one of the Missouri Logging Council's Area Meetings. Area Meetings are an opportunity for loggers to get together and discuss important issues. It's also a time to catch up on some of the other events and issues going on within the forest products industry. MFPA Executive Director, Brian Brookshire, spoke to the group in Farmington about concerns over residuals in sawmills, the industry's role in the St. Louis Science Center and other issues MFPA is working on in the Legislature. Along with the Farmington meeting there have been Area Meetings held in St. Joseph and Springfield, there is one coming up in Climax Springs at the end of June as well. Keep an eye out for an Area Meeting near you and be a part of it.



LOG A LOAD FOR KIDS SKEET SHOOT

Despite the rain, 20 shooters took part in the Log A Load For Kids Skeet Shoot at the Ozarks Shooters Complex south of Springfield. Travis Yake was the big winner, taking home a new shotgun. His brother Tanner was just a few points behind. Everyone had a great time and we raised more money for the University of Missouri's Children's Hospital through the Log A Load program. There is a Log A Load for Kids Golf Tournament scheduled during the MFPA Summer Meeting on July 28th and July 31st. There's still time to sign up to play. If you're interested, contact the MFPA office 573-634-3252 or mark@moforest.org. If golf isn't your sport, we are hoping to have another skeet shoot this year in Columbia.



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LOAD A LOAD FOR KIDS TRACTOR RAFFLE UPDATE

We'd like to thank everyone that bought one of the raffle tickets for Log A Load For Kids Tractor. Unfortunately, ticket sales have been slow and there are not enough tickets sold to cover the



cost of the tractor. Instead of not being able to raise money for Log A Load, we will now be holding a 50/50 raffle. For those of you unfamiliar with a 50/50 raffle, your tickets will still be entered in a drawing. We will continue to sell tickets at \$1000 until the drawing. During the Summer Meeting Membership Luncheon on Saturday, July 29th, a winning ticket will be drawn and the winner will take home half of the raffle money. For example, if we sell 100 tickets, the winner would be given \$50,000. The remaining \$50,000 would be given to Log A Load for Kids. For information and to participate in the raffle call the MFPA office at 573-634-3252 or email Mark at mark@moforest.org

Thanks again for your support for the kids!

MFPA SUMMER MEETING AND MISSOURI LOGGING COUNCIL

UPCOMING MLC EVENTS AT THE 2016 SUMMER MEETING

The Missouri Logging Council (MLC) will be gathering for a Saturday Business Meeting during the Annual Summer Meeting at The Elms in Excelsior Springs, MO. The MLC will be discussing current events, governmental affairs, Master Logger Program and membership updates.

MLC is proud to announce a special guest speaker during the business meeting on July 30th, David Collins! David is the General Manager of Technical Services at Martin Operating Partnership. He is a Kansas City native that has over 30 years' experience working with automotive and industrial lubricants. Having a strong background in finished lubricants and David has worked internationally with Castrol and British Petroleum posted in North America, Brazil, France, Southeast Asia and China. David currently manages the engineering, technical services, health and safety, research and development for Martin Operating Partnerships refinery, finished lubricant plants, grease manufacturing plant and plastic operations. He holds Engineering degrees from University of Missouri – Columbia, Kansas State University and marketing graduate studies at Trinity College, Dublin Ireland. During his career, David has direct responsibility involved in refinery operations, product formulation and working directly with customers to identify lubricant value propositions. He serves on several industry committees including the Society of Tribologists and Lubricating Engineers, ASTM's Electrical Transformer Committee and the Society of Automotive Engineers.

David will speak on the "Changing Landscape of Agricultural Lubricants." This presentation will focus on the balance of economics and how the quality of lubricants plays a major role in the productivity of an agricultural producer. Influences from government regulations, raw material availability, and consumer demand are drastically changing the requirements on finished oils. This presentation will look into the current lubricants market to the next generation of lubricants under development. These changes will have a major impact on the forestry industry and the role lubricant companies are playing to meeting market demand.

This event will take place during breakfast Saturday, July 30th from 6:30am to 8:00am. Fill a plate at the breakfast buffet and join in on the MLC Meeting! Detailed agenda to follow.