

FIRST NOTICE CANADIAN HARDWOOD BUREAU MEETING MARCH 19-20, 2019 MONTREAL, QC

Now is the time to register for the next meeting of the Canadian Hardwood Bureau (CHB) which will take place on March 19-March 20, 2019 at the Double Tree by Hilton Montreal (formerly the Hyatt Regency Hotel), in Montreal, QC. Please book your hotel rooms today!

The Canadian Hardwood Bureau traditionally attracts over 125 dedicated hardwood industry professionals to our winter meeting each year. Our format allows you to maximize your time and we keep your costs down - by providing a convenient daily registration fee. Our members receive access to both days of our event for a registration fee of \$190.

This event is being organized to provide those in the hardwood industry with the opportunity to get together, learn and network. The tentative schedule is as follows:

PROGRAM/SPEAKERS

We are currently finalizing our list of presenters. NHLA has been doing yield improvement studies (sawmill analysis) with some member mills and the results have been very encouraging. The program is going to be available to Canadian members and some have expressed an interest to NHLA to be involved. NHLA's yield analysis experts analyze existing manufacturing practices with the goal of enhancing productivity and increasing yields and revenue. Tony Parks, NHLA Yield Advisor, will outline the program, which examines such production processes as profitability and process improvement: Trim Gain, Edging Gain, Overrun, Productivity, etc to identify areas for increased efficiencies.

Tuesday, March 19, 2019

9-11 am

Industry Hockey Game

1:00 pm

Luncheon/Presentations at Double Tree by Hilton Montreal, 1255

Jeanne-Mance St., Montreal

4:30 pm- 6:30 pm

CHB Reception, Double Tree by Hilton Montreal

Evening on your Own

Wednesday, March 20, 2019

8:00 am

Breakfast and Presentation

<u>REGISTRATION RATES</u>: To cover costs, we will charge a registration fee of \$125 for members and \$170 for non-members for Tuesday (lunch/meeting/evening reception) and \$65 for members and \$80 for non-members for Wednesday (breakfast, speaker, etc). We will send email confirmation of receipt of your registration this year.

HOTEL ROOM RESERVATIONS

A block of rooms has been reserved for the nights of March 18 and 19, at the Double Tree by Hilton Montreal (formerly Hyatt Regency Montreal), 1255 Jeanne-Mance St., Montreal. The rate is \$165 plus applicable taxes for a Standard Room. Please book your room today by calling the Reservations Department at 1-514-285-1450 and please mention the Canadian Hardwood Bureau in order to get the group rate. You can book your hotel room electronically at www.canadianhardwoodbureau.com.

INDUSTRY HOCKEY GAME

We have arranged an industry hockey game on the morning of March 19, 2019. Those interested in playing hockey are asked to contact Jean Paul Lupien by email to express your interest: jeanpaul.lupien@hotmail.com. Thanks to Jean Paul for making the hockey arrangements.

SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOUR COLLEAGUES

We look forward to seeing you at this first CHB meeting of 2019. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions. We encourage you to share this information with all those on your contact list. We have had lots of interest in this Montreal event, and anticipate that once again, a significant crowd will participate. More specifics on program details will follow shortly.

Best regards

Shaun Rowe, Huron Forest Products, Chairman, Canadian Hardwood Bureau.