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## PFS Receives Special Recognition from Canadian Wood Council

On September 20, 2004, the Canadian Wood Council (CWC) celebrated 50 Wood Solutions Fairs held over the past 10 years, thanks to the hard work and dedication of industry champions. Approximately 1,000 architects, engineers, designers and building officials attended the CWC Toronto Wood Solutions Fair on September 21, 2004.

A special award recognizing PFS as a **“Valued Company Exhibiting at over 45 Fairs.”** was presented to PFS Corporation. Trus Joist, A Weyerhaeuser Business, one of PFS’ long -time engineered wood clients, also received the same award.

“We are proud to have been a part of the Wood Solutions Fairs since the beginning,” says Larry Beineke, PE, PhD, VP of PFS’ Southeast Region. “We feel they are indispensable in getting an understanding of wood as a building material to engineers and architects.”



## PFS Exhibits at ICC ES Show in Salt Lake City

A variety of educational programs highlighted the International Code Council’s (ICC) Annual Conference held in Salt Lake City on September 26-29, 2004. The conference featured more than 35 educational sessions and also showcased the latest building and construction products and services. Bob Nelson, PE, Sr. VP of PFS’ Western Region, and Ron Reindl, AIA, VP of PFS’ Midwest Region and Lab, greeted visitors at the PFS exhibit.



Bob Nelson shown at left with Jon Traw, a past President of the International Conference of Building Officials (ICBO).



Ron Reindl appears at right with Dave Marchini and Stephen Glatfelter of Superior Walls of America.

The International Code Council, a new membership organization dedicated to building safety and fire prevention, develops the codes used to construct residential and commercial buildings. Most U.S. cities, counties and states that adopt codes now choose the codes developed by the ICC such as the International Building Code (IBC) and the International Residential Code (IRC).

## Dick Reinhard of PFS Recognized for His Long-Term Contributions to Manufactured Housing Industry



The Manufactured Housing Institute (MHI) presented special awards at its 68th annual meeting held October 17-19, 2004, in Indian Wells, California.

**Richard M. Reinhard, PE, PFS Director of Manufactured Housing Operations**, was presented the Frank Walter Standards Award for his long-term contributions to the advancement of the professionalism of the Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards. Mark A. Nunn, Vice President, MHI Technical Activities, made the presentation (left).

Dick told Encore, "I am honored just to have been considered among the many highly qualified and dedicated people nominated for this award, and very proud to have been selected as this year's recipient."

**Congratulations, Dick. We're proud of you.**

## PFS General Manager of Information Technology Speaks to NCSBCS Committee

**Dennis Newman's** recent message to the NCSBCS Factory-Built Structures Committee encouraged the use of standardized off-the-shelf programs for plan review submittal. Plans submitted in PDF format using Adobe Acrobat Professional allows for secured "approval stamping" by plan review agencies. Such electronic signatures appear to be acceptable to most State Attorney Generals.

The NCSBCS Factory-Built Structures Committee meeting was held in Salt Lake City on September 29, 2004. For more information, contact Dennis Newman at 608.224.5548 or email [dnewman@pfscorporation.com](mailto:dnewman@pfscorporation.com).



## Reindl to Speak at Wood Polymere Composites Symposium

**Ron Reindl, PFS VP Midwest Region and Lab**, has accepted the Invitation to speak at the Wood Polymere Composites Symposium in Bordeaux, France, in March 2005. Watch future Encores for news about the symposium.

## Rothman Speaks at 2004 Wisconsin Housing Alliance Convention

“Factory-Built Design Limitations” was the subject of **Jim Rothman’s** presentation at the Wisconsin Housing Alliance Annual Convention in Waukesha, WI on November 3-4, 2004.

Jim noted that HUD Code AC (Alternate Construction) details give the consumer some latitude in selecting options when purchasing a HUD-Code home.



James A. Rothman, PE, is Executive Vice President and Sr. Vice President of Quality Control at PFS Corporation.

## PFS Vice Presidents Participate in Educational Programs at Wood Solutions Fairs



PFS participates in both the seminars and exhibits at the Wood Solutions Fairs. Bob Nelson, PE, Sr. VP of PFS’ Western Region conducted a presentation on Engineered Wood at the Phoenix Fair on October 14, and Larry Beineke, PhD, PE (*left*) gave a similar presentation at the Nashville Fair on November 9.

The Wood Solutions Fairs conducted throughout the United States and Canada are intended to support the use of wood products and services. PFS Corporation participates in both the seminars and exhibits, promoting the benefits of engineered wood products and the quality control, inspection and certification services of PFS.

## PFS Welcomes New Inspector

PFS Corporation is pleased to welcome **Mike Walter**, quality assurance inspector in the Indiana area. Mike provided the photo (*at right*) saying it’s the only one he could find that didn’t include 5 grandchildren ages 4 through 7. Spoken like a proud and busy grandfather.

Mike told Encore he’s happy to have the opportunity to work for PFS.

Welcome, Mike Walter! We’re pleased that you are with us.



## Home Built with PaceMaker SIP Panels Featured in WI State Journal

Satisfied homeowner, Brian Worden, chose to build his family's new home in Middleton, WI with PaceMaker SIP panels in an effort to save energy. The home was featured on the Home page of the Wisconsin State Journal on Sunday, October 24, 2004.

Worden says he became convinced to try the structural insulated panels (SIPs) partly because he has a friend in the business. Plus there were many other positive reasons to do so — greater R-value energy efficiency, improved structural integrity, reduction in exterior sound and improved interior air quality.



Brian Worden says he's convinced he and his wife, Karen, made the right decision when they chose to build their family's home out of SIPs, including their decision to upgrade from 4" panels to 6" panels. The 4" panels would have been enough to meet code from a structural and insulation standpoint, but the 6" panels added about 50% R-value to their home's insulation at a relatively low cost. *(In the photo above, Brian is sitting on a stack of 6" structural insulated panels.)* The Worden family includes three daughters ages 5, 8 and 11.

PaceMaker SIPs are tested and listed by PFS Corporation. Visit PFS website, [www.pfscorporation.com](http://www.pfscorporation.com), click on PFS Literature, select PFS Listing Directory and go to Chapter 4, Structural Insulated Panels, to see the PaceMaker listing. PaceMaker has national code recognition as well through ICC-ES Legacy Report NER-665.

PaceMaker Building Systems is a division of Plymouth Foam, Inc. based in Newcomerstown, OH. More information on PaceMaker Building Systems can be found at [www.BuildwithSIPs.com](http://www.BuildwithSIPs.com), and more information on SIPs in general at [www.sips.org](http://www.sips.org).

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