



# NC URBAN WOOD GROUP

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Save the Date—Virginia has a workshop coming up! Some great online stories including a new book and the ANSI A300 Standard, Great pictures from the group and a safety message. As always, articles and photos are always welcome!!!

My email address is below and at the end of the newsletter for joining or unsubscribing. Please contact me direct for your questions and concerns.

Thanks!  
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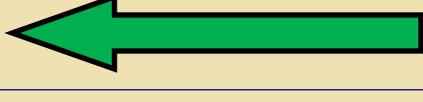


*The NC Urban Wood Group is a combined effort of the NCFS Urban & Community Forestry Program and the NCUFC*



Have you checked out the New Urban Wood Exchange Website yet???

<http://www.urbanwoodexchange.org/>



**Save the Date!!!**  
**Virginia Urban Wood Utilization Forum**  
**March 28 - 29th, 2017 Charlottesville, VA**  
More information will be sent once the agenda is set!

## Online Resources

### Salvaging Fallen Trees for Education

By Joseph Lovenduski, Indiana University of PA

Thanks in part to the Allegheny Arboretum, a community of like minded folks brought together with a vision to safeguard these “historic” trees among us, our local community was able to bring the tree through every step - from reason for the tree coming down, all the way to the finished piece of furniture. Trees are brought down for a variety of reasons at IUP such as natural issues deeming it a hazard to public safety or disrupting the vision of growth and improvement, but a new tree is often times established in a nearby area for future growing.

### BOOK CHRONICLES URBAN ‘TREE TO TABLE’ MOVEMENT

In his new book, “Tree to Table: Emergence of the Urban Wood Movement,” author Paul Morrison makes it abundantly clear that he did not get into the urban wood business to get rich quick.

If only money mattered, he would never have quit his “comfortable job” as an engineer. But a passion for wood and woodworking ultimately won out after he purchased a portable sawmill ostensibly because he was “too cheap to buy good wood.”

As his log pile grew “out of control” he quit his day job to devote his full time and energy to milling community and other non-commercial forest trees into lumber and fabricating that material into custom furniture. Over the course of the last 15 years, Morrison has built up The Wood Cycle of Oregon, WI, as a successful custom woodworking business and urban wood lumber source serving the greater Madison area.

Tree to Table is available for \$19.95 from Past 9 Publishing.

[Click here to order a copy or learn more.](#)

### TCIA RELEASES STATEMENT ON A300 URBAN FOREST PRODUCTS STANDARD STATUS

The Tree Care industry Association recently issued a statement confirming and explaining the ANSI-accredited Standards Committee’s vote last fall to terminate the A300 Part 11 Urban Forest Products project for the time being. Following is the statement dated January 10, 2017 from Bob Rouse, chief program officer of TCIA and A300 secretary.

Re: A300 Part 11 Urban Forest Products Status

While we recognize the need for guidance in the wood utilization marketplace, the ANSI-accredited Standards Committee A300 believes this project falls outside the scope of tree care management standards at this time.

For more information click the link above.

## Photos



### City Wood Urban Forest Products

My name is Ed Bath. I’m the founder of CitiWood Urban Forest Products. Seven years ago, I started making custom award plaques for conservation groups in Richmond, Virginia using wood from fallen urban trees.

In 2011, a local microbrewery asked me to design and build their new tap handles. I loved the process, the industry, and the people so much that I started working with other small breweries across the United States on their tap handle needs.

Now, tap handles are all that I do. And CitiWood has become a successful family business!



2 benches and a table made from a Wake Forest University Sugar Maple.

Photos by:  
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ISA Certified University Arborist

## Safety Notes

### Eye and Face Injuries

Thousands of people are blinded each year from work-related eye injuries that could have been prevented with the proper selection and use of eye and face protection. Eye injuries alone cost more than \$300 million per year in lost production time, medical expenses, and worker compensation. Safety glasses, goggles, helmets, and face shields can protect employees from the hazards of flying fragments, large chips, hot sparks, and splashes, as well as objects, particles, sand, dirt, mists, dusts, and glare. The type of eye or face protection required depends on the hazard.

### Safety Glasses

Safety glasses effectively protect the eye from solid materials (dust and flying objects), but are less effective at protecting the eyes from chemical splashes.

Use safety glasses for general working conditions where there may be minor dust, chips, or flying particles.

Use safety glasses with side protection such as side shields or wraparound style where there is a potential of being struck by projectile flying objects such as:

- Chiseling
- Drilling
- Machining
- Milling
- Fastening (e.g., staple guns)
- Grinding or abrasive wheels
- Cutting (e.g., power saws)
- Power actuated tools
- Turning

Safety Materials from: <https://ehs.wsu.edu/ohs/factsheets/FAQEyeFaceProtection.html>

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