

OPENING ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT

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I welcome you to the Ninth Annual Meeting of the Canadian Wood Preservation Association.

The turn out for this years session is most gratifying. If you have attended because of the potential of our program for the next two days then we can credit John Ruddick for the main theme and thrust of our conference. One of the most intriguing subjects is the symposium on Wood Preservation to the year 2000. I do not know about you but I think I am going to require a little preservation for myself in the year 2000; of course, wood that was pressure treated in the year 1960 will be 40 years old in 2000. I suppose that will be an interesting milestone for researchers.

I wonder what short term protection will be used on lumber in 2000, will it be completely harmless to people yet destroy fungi?

In any event, I am looking forward to that particular session tomorrow afternoon.

Please, participate in all the sessions and I hope you enjoy the next two days.

I would like to now introduce you to our 1988/1989 President of the CWPA John Ruddick, who will introduce our keynote speaker.