



# APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN PLYWOOD PIONEERS ASSOCIATION

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Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### Membership Eligibility Data:

- 1) Approximate date (year) you started in the industry: \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) Name of company with which first employed in the industry: \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) In what capacity: \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) Name of company with which you are/were most recently associated, and the approximate date and most recent title: \_\_\_\_\_

### The Association by-lays provide:

"Every person who (1) has for more than 20 years been employed in the industry or (2) has for more than 20 years been employed by the Douglas Fir Plywood Association, American Plywood Association, or any successor, shall be eligible to become a regular member upon recommendation of the Membership Committee. Additionally, the Membership Committee may recommend for membership other individuals who in the Committee's judgment have made positive contributions to the industry."

In addition to the facts required for membership eligibility, it is desirable that Plywood Pioneers Association has for its historical file a short but complete profile of the experience of each member. Please record below additional facts of your industry experience that will give a complete picture from the date you started in the industry to the present.

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The PPA was formed in 1964 at the suggestion of then American Plywood Association Executive Vice President James R. Turnbull, with the primary goal of cementing and fostering "the bonds of friendship and fraternalism" among the members of the industry.

### **Activities**

Among the activities of the Plywood Pioneers Association is building a better understanding of the panel industry through education. Educational work of the PPA has included publication of an extensive series of historical monographs telling the story of the early plywood mills and the people who helped launch the industry. More monographs are currently in production or in the planning stage.

Since the early 1980's, the PPA has donated funds to the scholarship programs at 3 universities. In 1996, the three small scholarships were combined to be more effective and currently a minimum of \$3,000 a year is being contributed for scholarship purposes to the Department of Forest Products of two universities selected annually by the PPA board.

### **Recruitment Drive**

The PPA currently has 200+ members drawn from all the major producing regions and elsewhere from coast to coast and internationally. The outstanding success of the primary social objectives is always much in evidence at the meetings held annually.

It has long been recognized, however, that there are many people in the industry, both active and retired, who for one reason or another have not joined the Pioneers. The inability to recruit these people is mainly due to lack of communication, in the view of the PPA Board.

PPA stresses that "new blood" will be welcome in an organization that brings together many old friends and fosters equal opportunities for making new ones.

Candidates for membership include not only a broad range of potential members in the production and sales branches of the industry but many others whose careers have been closely associated with the industry in such fields as equipment and adhesives supply, and in the research and development of panel products.

Past and present industry people meeting the membership criteria, and who haven't yet joined PPA, are urged to complete and mail the form on the back of this bulletin. PPA members are also asked to encourage member application on the part of those industry people they think may be qualified.

Names are requested of individuals beyond the immediate industry circle who may be eligible for membership because of their positive contributions to the industry

The cost of joining the PPA is modest – an annual membership fee of \$15. As part of their membership, PPA members receive the quarterly APA Engineered Wood Journal and other special communications via regular mail. *APA Management Report* is available only via e-mail.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND EXTRA COPIES OF THIS BULLETIN, CONTACT THE PLYWOOD PIONEERS ASSOCIATION:**

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