

# MAKING PLANS

**A**s we head into the lazy days of summer, most of us think about relaxing and fun with family and friends. At *Sawmill & Woodlot* magazine, we are busy making plans for this year's Great Portable Sawmill Shoot-Out™ and Sawmill Seminar Series. As in previous years, the seminars will be presented by Brian Bond of Virginia Tech. Brian is a Professor and Extension Specialist in the Department of Sustainable Biomaterials and has spearheaded the Sawmill Seminar Series for the past 9 years.

This year's lineup will feature the following:

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2017

9:30–11 a.m.: *Basics of Hardwood Lumber Grading*

12:30–2 p.m.: *Sawing for Grade and Patterns in Hardwoods—Part 1*

This is the first part of a 2-part session. In this session, different sawing methods will be discussed, including grade sawing and quartersawing.

3–4 p.m.: *Sawing for Grade and Patterns in Hardwoods—Part 2*

Part 2 will focus on sawing exercises that demonstrate the topics presented and allow the participants to apply their newly learned knowledge.

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2017

9:30–11 a.m.: *Guidelines for Edging Hardwood Lumber*

12:30–2 p.m.: *Drying Options for the Small Operator*

3–4:30 p.m.: *Understanding Wood and Water for Woodworkers*

We hope many of you will be able to take advantage of these seminars, as they offer an interesting and affordable opportunity to interact with others in the field and to have direct access to a knowledgeable and practice-oriented professional. You can sign up for the seminars at [www.ohioforest.org](http://www.ohioforest.org), the official site for The Paul Bunyan Show and the Ohio Forestry Association. For more details on specific seminars, please see the ad on page 30 of this issue.

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