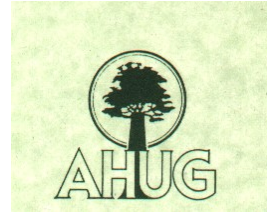


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INVESTING

Contributions will help AHUG direct human, natural resources



AHUG is a non-profit, forest industry support organization which organizes and directs the ideas, energies and finances of both human and natural resources to achieve our goals. Your investment in AHUG is an investment in

your future and livelihood.

Membership contributions will help us aggressively fight for the forest industry, finance education and safety programs, support economic development, and be a representative voice for the forest industry. Never has the forest industry faced such extreme challenges that threaten our very survival, never has your input and response been so crucial.

HISTORY

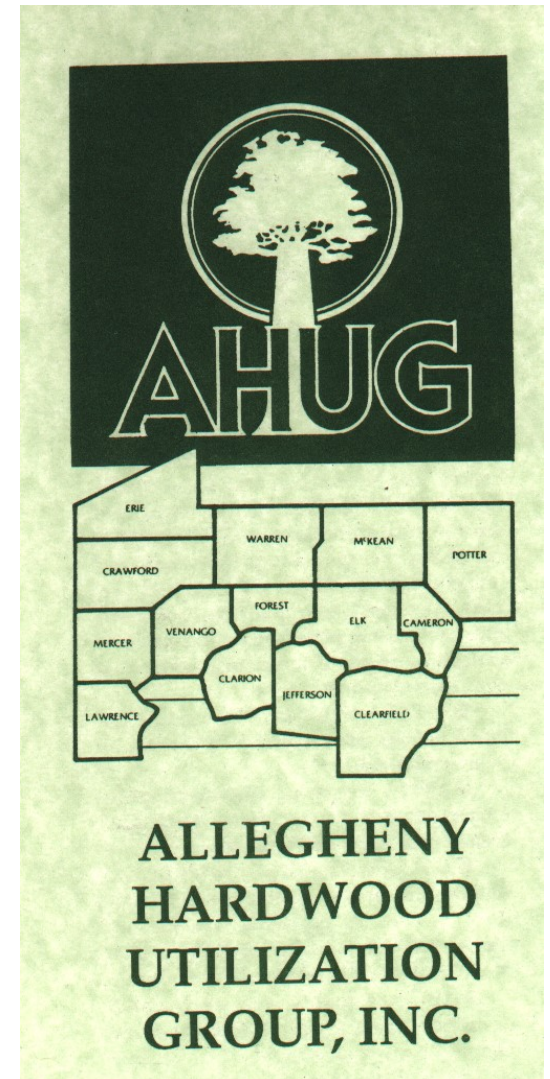
AHUG set out to create jobs, foster better resource utilization



The highest quality hardwoods in the United States are found in Northcentral and Northwestern Pennsylvania. Our state is the top producer of hardwoods in the U.S. In 1984, the Allegheny hardwood Utilization Group, Inc.,

(AHUG), was organized as a catalyst to foster better utilization of this forest resource.

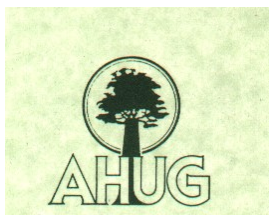
AHUG set out to create new economic growth, promote the expansion of existing industries and foster the creation of jobs. At the same time, AHUG recognized the need to promote safe logging and processing practices while maximizing prudent and sound forest management.



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GOALS

AHUG's biggest goal is to meet challenges facing industry



Our foremost goal is to meet the challenges facing forest industry today to ensure the economic health of existing forest industry and to attract secondary utilization.

The challenges are immense. With environmental concerns raising public awareness of forest management, numerous misconceptions have arisen over forest utilization and sustainability. Many groups have emerged that are seeking to eliminate timber harvesting on public and private lands, and are jeopardizing future raw material supplies. As a result of public misconceptions, pressure is being placed on political officials to heavily regulate forest management at both federal and local levels.

■ *AHUG monitors regulatory and legislative actions and responds according to membership needs.*

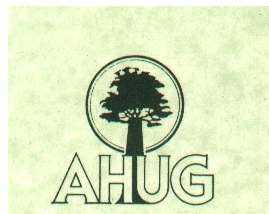
■ *AHUG keeps its membership informed, as it takes the involvement of all members to make a difference.*

■ *AHUG works closely with federal, state and local representatives to educate them on industry problems, concerns and needs, and the importance of a healthy business climate for the future of Pennsylvania.*

AHUG's 14-county area offers a well-developed primary processing industry and plentiful hardwood supplies. Our continuing goal is to create an environment beneficial and attractive to industry to encourage the expansion of existing primary and secondary processors, and attraction of additional secondary processors, to create jobs and keep these jobs in Pennsylvania.

MEMBERSHIP

Active, involved membership critical for reaching AHUG goals



Our membership includes loggers, foresters, sawmills and other forest industry, and government, forestry agencies, and allied organizations and businesses.

We all work together to educate, inform and motivate individuals in the promotion of our industry and to help the industry reach its full potential as a producer of jobs for Pennsylvania. We seek to organize industry professionals to have a voice in their future and the future of the forest industry in our state.

AHUG's diverse membership addresses concerns on all fronts. Our knowledge of the industry, and of economic and public policies, provides a valuable forum and an information base for members. Our services include:

- *Coordination of Forest Awareness Education Program*
- *Newsletter addressing industry issues*
- *Wood industry video library reference center*
- *14-county Hardwood Industry/membership directory*
- *Presentation of AHUG Annual outstanding Logger Safety Award*
- *Promotion of goals through legislative initiatives*
- *Promotion of hardwood products and industry at trade shows*
- *Promotion of positive public relations and education*
- *Positive utilization of local media*
- *Monitory of legislative and regulatory actions and alerting membership*
- *Networking with national organizations in promotion of forest industry in this country*
- *Technical support for ANF litigation*
- *Allied support for PA Hardwoods Development Council*
- *Sponsorship of technical and informative seminars*

In addition, AHUG initiates and supports programs, discussions and legislation to create a better and brighter future for the hardwoods industry, here, and throughout Pennsylvania. The key is strong and active membership. Join us in supporting our livelihood and success.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Yes, I'd like to take a positive step toward promoting forest industry and our future.

Name _____
Company _____
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
County _____
Township _____
Type of Business _____
Phone# _____
Fax _____
E-mail _____

Please check appropriate category:

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|--|----------------|
| Government agency | \$150 |
| Banks & utilities | \$575 |
| Industry and supplier... | |
| # of employees | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | \$ 75 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2-5 | \$150 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6-20 | \$250 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 21-50 | \$350 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 51-100 | \$500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Over 100 | \$600 |
| Patrons... | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cherry | \$3,150 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Oak | \$2,100 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Maple | \$1,020 |

Yes, I am interested in serving on a committee of AHUG (please check)

AHUG's Fiscal Year is July 1—June 30. Dues prorated 50% after January 1. Patron's contribution includes membership dues.

Enclose form with check or money order payable to: AHUG, PO Box 133. Kane, PA 16735