1992

A Timber supply crisis was choking the LBM Industry...

Excessive environmental legislation aimed at the Timber industry had affected lumber & building material sales costing the average American family an estimated $1,800 annually...

Claims circulated that the country was running out of harvestable forest lands and that the industry was poorly managed...

And then...
A 5-year old group called the Northeastern Young Lumber Execs decided to replace their annual Fall Conference with a more hands on learning experience with regards to the timber situation in the Northeast. In the words of ’92 President Mike Proctor, the group had 3 critical goals for their first endeavor:

- To enlighten members of the association
- To take a stand
- To make a statement which we can pass on to our legislators

And thus was born...
An unforgettable LBM experience…

THE NYLE TIMBER TOUR

“Next month, NYLE’s biggest innovation of all will culminate with our first annual Eastern Timber Tour. With this tour we’re going to meet the Northeast’s timber crisis head on.” - Mike Proctor, NYLE President, September 1992
22 tours later....

The NYLE Timber Tour is still going strong.
1992 - Maine

- October 22-24
- 48 attendees
- Stratton Lumber
- Hancock Lumber
- International Paper - Harvesting and Managed Forestry

Speakers:
- Jim Robbins (tour guide), Robbins Lumber
- Dennis Baker, Boise Cascade
- Ted Johnston, Maine Forest Products Council
1993 - Adirondacks

- 70 attendees
- Saratoga Forest Products
- Olympic Ski Jumping Site
- Ward Lumber
- Saratoga Lumber Traders
- Curtis Lumber

Speaker:
- Steve Jackson - Georgia-Pacific
1994 – Maine & St. Leonard, New Brunswick

- 1st International Timber Tour
- Robbins Lumber
- J.D. Irving Co.
- Freeport, ME/LL Bean

Speaker:
- Michael Rooney- Vice Consul, Canadian Consulate
1995 – Southern Tier, NY

- September 28\textsuperscript{th}-30\textsuperscript{th}
- 25 attendees
- JK Independent Lumber
- R.S. Sloan Industries
- Fitzpatrick & Weller
- Norton/Smith Hardwoods
- Allegheny State Park
- Chautauqua Lake Barbeque
- Fancher Chair Co.
- Widmer Winery
1996 – Quebec City, QC

- 25 attendees
- Goodfellow
- Maibec
- Seven Islands Land Management & Harvesting
1997 – Ocean City, Maryland

- United States Gypsum
- Southern Yellow Pine Mills
1998 – Northern California

- 1st Western Timber Tour
- 26 attendees
- Sierra Pacific
- Dinner at Somoa Cook House, Eureka Bay
- Lady Bird Johnson Grove, Redwood National Park
- Simpson Lumber Nurseries
1999 – Maine

- 54 attendees
- Champion Building Products
- James W. Sewell Co.
- Robbins Lumber
- Hancock Lumber
2000 – Vancouver, BC

- 45 attendees
- Interfor
- Sunset Dinner Cruise

- Terminal Forest Products
- Weyerhaeuser
- Weiss Prestain Operations
2001 – Quebec City, QC

- 45 attendees
- Maibec
- Seven Islands Land Management and Harvesting
- Walking tour of the old city and Logging Museum
- Bonneville Windows
2002 – Vancouver, BC

- 31 attendees
- Interfor
- Doman
- Shawwood Industries
- Rielly Industrial Lumber
- Terminal Forest Products
- Regal Beagle Pub
Spring 2003 – Germany

- Cancelled because of low attendance
- Maybe someday...
2003 – Pennsylvania

- 18 attendees
- Oct 1\textsuperscript{st}-4\textsuperscript{th}
- AZEK
- Allegheny National Forest
- Deer Park Lumber
- Kane Hardwood
- Pennsylvania Lumbermen’s Museum
2004 – Klamath Falls, Oregon

- Jeld-Wen
- Columbia Plywood
- Crater Lake National Park

- Dinner at Crater Lake Lodge
- Sun Pass State Forest - Oregon Department of Forestry
2005 – Maine

- 28 attendees
- September 27th-30th
- Huber Engineered Wood
- Levesque Spruce Mill
- Robbins Lumber
- Sprowl Building Components
- Group Dinner- Dimillo’s Floating Restaurant
- Hancock Lumber Sawmill
- Cook-out at Hancock Beach-Thompson Lake
- Hancock Lumber Retail
2006 – Vancouver, BC

- 31 attendees
- September 25th-29th
- Simpson Strong-Tie
- Richmond Plywood
- Twin Rivers Cedar Products
- Interfor
- Terminal
- Sunset Harbor Cruise
2007 – Vermont/Montreal, QC

- 20 attendees
- Alexandria Moulding
- IKO
- Fermco Industries
- Gibby’s Restaurant- Old Montreal
- University of Vermont’s Jericho Forest
- Lamell Lumber
- Curtis Lumber- Williston Branch
No Tour because of the economic downturn
2009 – Eugene, Oregon

- 29 attendees
  - Roseburg EWP & OSB
  - C&D Lumber
- Steep Slope Cable Logging - Lone Rock Logging and Timber Management
  - Oregon State Wood Innovation Center
  - Seven Feathers Hotel & Casino
2010 – Adirondacks

- 38 attendees
- September 22\textsuperscript{nd}-24\textsuperscript{th}
- Speaker Keith McKeever - Adirondack Park Agency
- Ward Lumber- Sawmill, Retail, and Eastern White Pine Plantation
- Paul Smith’s College
- NYSERDA Model Home for Energy Efficiency
- Group dinner- Olympic Ski Jump Tower
- SUNY ESF Huntington Wildlife Forest
- Adirondack Museum- “Work in the Woods” exhibit
- T.C. Murphy Hydro Facility
30 attendees
September 20th-24th
Simpson Door
Weyerhaeuser’s Mt. St. Helen’s Forest Learning Center
Group Dinner at the top of the Space Needle
University of Washington’s Pack Forest Center for Sustainability
Weyerhaeuser’s Corporate HQ
Group Dinner Salish Lodge-Snoqualmie Falls
Boeing Future of Flight Tour
Meyer Wells Furniture
2012 – Bangor, Maine

- 47 attendees
- September 19th-21st
- University of Maine’s Wood Composite Lab
- Huber Engineered Woods
- Louisiana Pacific
- River Cruise on the Penobscot
- Robbins Lumber
- Mathews Brothers
2013 – Atlanta, Georgia

- 26 attendees
- September 17th-20th
- F&W Forestry
- HB&G Columns & their “Fam”
- Georgia Pacific LVL Beam Plant
- Fitts Stair Parts
- BlueLinx Headquarters
- Owens Corning Fiberglass Insulation & Roof Shingles
2014 – Montreal & Quebec

- 17 attendees
- September 23rd-26th
- Goodfellow
- Barrette Triforce Open Floor Joist Pl
- Novik
- Clemond Hamel
- SBC-Eastern White Cedar Shingles
- Lemieux Door
NYLE Timber Tour

Celebrating 22 Tours