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**WOOD-MIZER'S ANNOUNCES PERSONAL BEST CONTEST WINNERS
Sawmills Used in Building Projects; Customers Make Dreams Come True**

Indianapolis, IN -- Wood-Mizer Products, Inc., the world's largest portable sawmill manufacturer, hosted their 2009 Personal Best contest, a long-standing tradition recognizing Wood-Mizer sawmill owners who cut lumber for their building project to fulfill a dream.

The contest, which occurs every two years, is open to Wood-Mizer sawmill owners interested in competing for their share of the \$20,000 in prize credits which Wood-Mizer awards.

Each entry was judged on creativity, originality, complexity, quality of workmanship and overall use of the Wood-Mizer sawmill to complete the project. Grand Champions were named in each category (a list of winners is included) as well as First Place and Honorable Mentions.

Lowell Hinrichs of Sooke, BC was the Overall Grand Champion of the contest for his entry in Category 8, Exterior Projects. His wharf, pier, gangway, steps leading from waterfront, and boat shed near the water will be featured in the magazine *The Wood-Mizer Way*.

"Every year we receive magnificent entries and are overwhelmed with the craftsmanship and dedication of our sawmill owners. Their projects are remarkable," comments Dave Mann, Vice President of the Sawmill Division.

As the leading manufacturer of portable band sawmills, Wood-Mizer offers an extensive line of mills covering a wide range of cutting capabilities. The company's offerings also include other wood processing equipment and blades. For more information about Wood-Mizer Products or for a demonstration, call 1.800.553.0182 or visit www.woodmizer.com.

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Wood-Mizer 2009 Personal Best Winners

Category 1 – Homes and Major Structures for Yourself

Grand Champion: Gregory Martin
First Place: Pam and Bennie Gant
Honorable Mention: Stephen Meister

Category 2 – Homes and Major Structures for Someone Else

Grand Champion: Mike England
First Place: Rick Pighini
Honorable Mention: None

Category 3 – Small Homes/Cabins for Yourself

Grand Champion: Rick Pighini
First Place: Donn Saindon
Honorable Mention: Steve Emmerich

Category 4 – Small Homes/Cabins for Someone Else

Grand Champion: Edward Dumas
First Place: Rick Pighini

Category 5 – Large Barns and Garages

Grand Champion: Warren Candee
First Place: Russel and Penny Tuckel
Honorable Mention: Billy Reeder

Category 6 – Small Barns and Tool Sheds

Grand Champion: Jim Dorsey
First Place: Ronald Holliday
Honorable Mention: Jerry Kurz

Category 7 – Interior Projects

Grand Champion: Ross Olsen
First Place: Stephen Meister
Honorable Mention: Donn Saindon

Category 8 – Exterior Projects

Grand Champion: Lowell Hinrichs (Also the Overall Grand Champion)
First Place: Camp Id-Ra-Ha-Je
Honorable Mention: Michael Butler

Category 9 – For the Good of Others

Grand Champion: Tom Miller
First Place: Dan Collum
Honorable Mention: Michael Butler

Category 10 – Wide Open, Unusual, and Unique Projects

Grand Champion: Bill Caraway
First Place: Kenneth Beck
Honorable Mention: Jim Hart