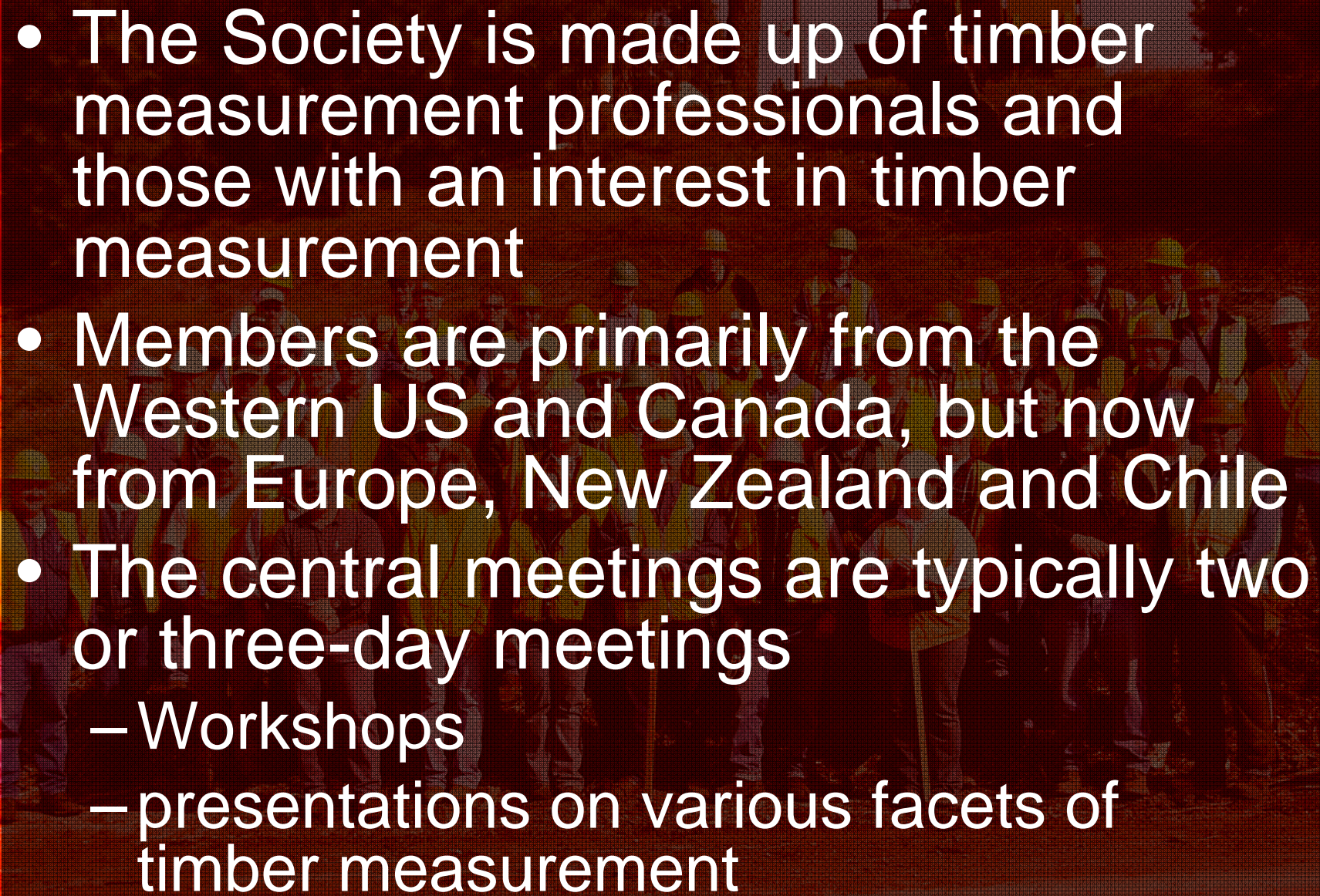


Timber Measurements Society

What is it all about?

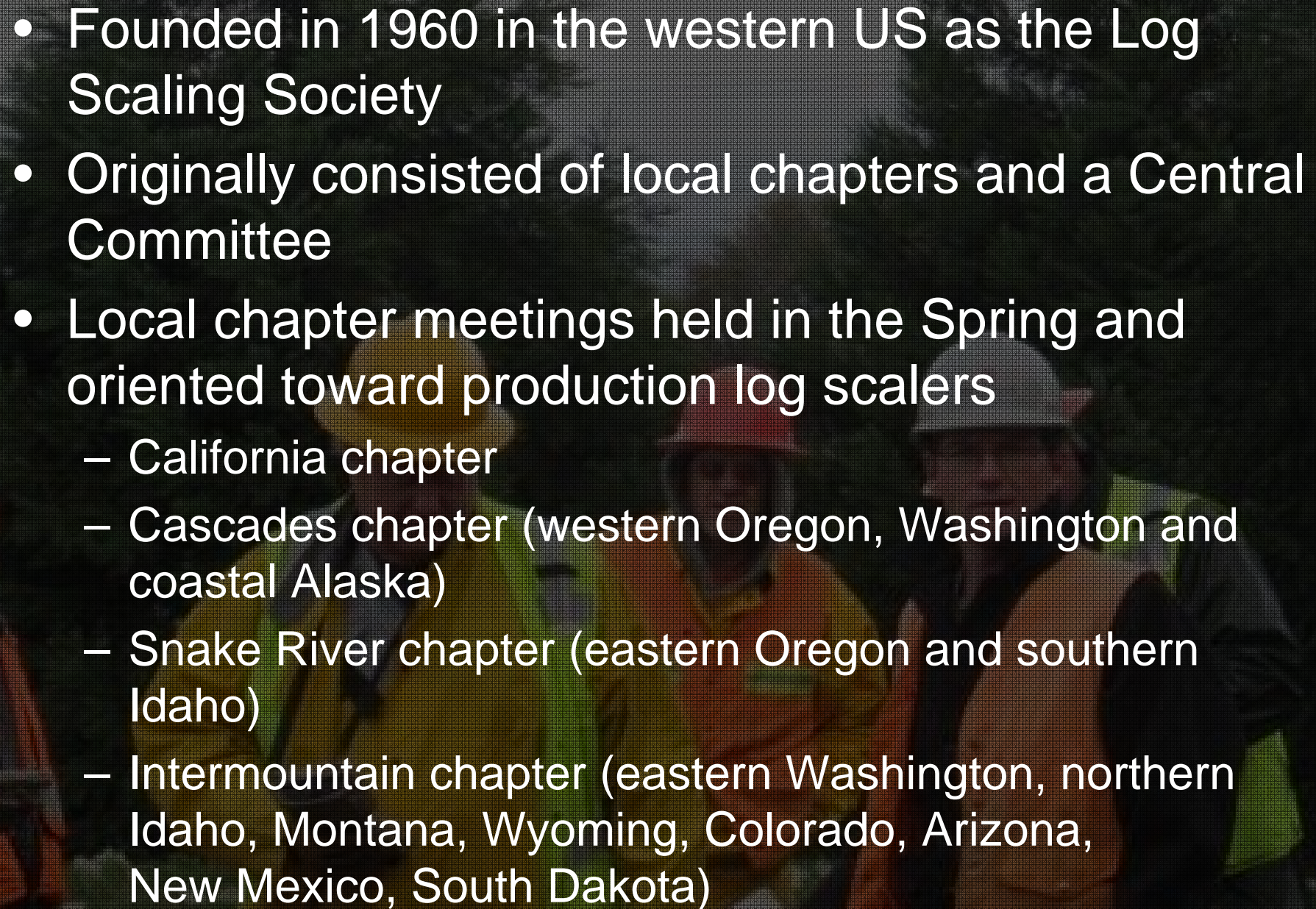
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Nordic Wood Measurement Meeting
Drammen Norway, Oct. 26-27


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- A group of people wearing safety gear (hard hats and high-visibility vests) are standing in a forest. The image is overlaid with a red semi-transparent box containing white text. The text describes the Society's composition and meeting structure.
- The Society is made up of timber measurement professionals and those with an interest in timber measurement
 - Members are primarily from the Western US and Canada, but now from Europe, New Zealand and Chile
 - The central meetings are typically two or three-day meetings
 - Workshops
 - presentations on various facets of timber measurement



The goal of the organization is to:

- Inform and educate the membership
- Promote uniform measurement of timber
- Provide a network of knowledge and a forum for cooperation and exchange of information
- We do not advocate policy views (although members may express their opinions and discuss in a neutral forum)

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- Founded in 1960 in the western US as the Log Scaling Society
 - Originally consisted of local chapters and a Central Committee
 - Local chapter meetings held in the Spring and oriented toward production log scalers
 - California chapter
 - Cascades chapter (western Oregon, Washington and coastal Alaska)
 - Snake River chapter (eastern Oregon and southern Idaho)
 - Intermountain chapter (eastern Washington, northern Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico, South Dakota)

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- Central meeting was oriented toward management of measurement systems
 - Renamed the Timber Measurement Society in 1990
 - Website online in 2006
 - Global focus and membership started in 2006
 - Canada
 - Sweden
 - New Zealand
 - Chile
 - Italy
 - Chapter meetings became inactive in 2009 as a result of the market crisis
 - Central meeting remains well attended

The future

- Wider group of participation, both globally and vocationally
- Looking for opportunities to cooperate with other related organizations
- Hoping to reactivate chapters
- Continued focus on inclusionary membership
- You can be a member if:
 - You attend a meeting
 - Are willing to share your knowledge
 - Have an interest in timber measurement

For more information

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Thank you!

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