Developing Professionals Network (DPN)

What is the DPN?
DPN is a community that provides a platform for employees starting out in their career to learn more about Wood, each other and themselves. The network promotes the development and connectivity of tomorrow’s leaders, while positively contributing to community programs and culture.

What is the DPN’s aim?
The aim of the network is to provide a platform for individuals to connect, learn and grow through global and regional activities and development opportunities.

Calgary Thoroughbreds
The Thoroughbreds are our local chapter of the DPN program and was launched in September 2018.
The program is based on 5 pillars
- Presentations and learnings
- Socials
- Service
- Field trips
- Opportunities for professional development

Most Thoroughbred sessions are held over the lunch hour, with the occasional field trips and socials planned during the evenings or on Friday afternoons. Attendance is optional and staff are encouraged to participate with Thoroughbreds when it works for their schedule. Thoroughbreds typically meet a few times every month.

“The investment by the Thoroughbreds in the promotion of their engineering profession is admirable” - John Day, SVP Canada and Thoroughbred Sponsor
Calgary Thoroughbred Events

Presentations
Notable past Thoroughbred presentations include intimate sessions with two of Wood’s CEOs, Andrew Stewart and Bob MacDonald. From them we learned about leadership, work/life balance and took a deep dive into the greater Wood organization. Also included are regular lunch and learn on technical topics and current projects.

Socials
Annually we have our Christmas ugly sweater party, which includes a festive potluck and gift exchange. The title of ugliest sweater is also up for grabs.

Service
Giving back to the community is an important part of the community. We have a standing slot serving food at a nearby shelter and are committed to Wood’s global cause, education.

In November 2018, the Thoroughbreds hosted their first Engineering Day. The Thoroughbreds presented to over 100 grade eight students about a career in engineering.

Field Trips
Past field trips include shop tours of Wood’s VDN vibration shop and TransCanada Turbines, a Wood joint venture.

If you are interested in joining the Thoroughbreds, please contact your People and Organization (P&O) partner. Both technical and non-technical staff are welcome to join.

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