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Northeastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild

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# BENCH TALK

## HAND-CUT DOVETAILS



PLEASE NOTE DATE --->

When asked to describe the content of his demonstration, Chuck Druckrey explained:

*I will be demonstrating hand-cut dovetails from layout to final assembly. More specifically, I will demonstrate and discuss:*

- \* *Layout tools, saws, and chisels*
- \* *Choosing dovetail angles and spacing for strength and aesthetics*
- \* *Layout tips*
- \* *Cutting the pins and tails*
- \* *Tips for getting a good fit*
- \* *Common mistakes and fixing your screw-ups*
- \* *Assembly and glue-up*
- \* *Sanding and finishing.*

He will also have plenty of example pieces to pass around during the demonstration, and will cover the construction details of a neat table-top workbench with a twin-screw face vice and hold-downs that always prompts some questions. Sounds like a program no one should miss.

**Where:**

Room 107 - Mary Ann Cofrin Hall, UWGB  
University of Wisconsin - Green Bay Campus

**When:**

7pm-9pm, , Friday, January 22, 2010

## **Sketchup for Beginners**

**by Don Kaster, Program Director**

At the November meeting Bob Wellhouse and Mark Brenen tackled presenting basic information on Sketchup. Bob covered the main concepts of various drawing tools and examples of their use on a computer.

Mark expanded the concepts by using the tools to design a basic table, modifying its parts and displaying a cut list. The list is really valuable to determine the amount of material and size of each part. Now members are aware that Sketchup exists and better yet the basic version is free on line.

The Woodworkers Guild and I would like to thank Bob and Mark for taking the time to put together the presentation. I think they accomplished the goal of introducing Sketchup very well. \_DK

## **President's Ramblings**

**by Steve Lockhart, President**

Happy (Belated) Holidays!

It doesn't seem belated as I am writing this because it is Dec. 15.... but I know it will probably be after Christmas when you receive it.

Anyway... after the Guild Christmas party I am reflecting on why I like the guild. Whenever we get together I always come away with something to enhance my woodworking life. Whether it is a tip on how to do something better or simply listening to stories of enthusiasm about woodworking (it's contagious!) I always am glad I participated. At the party I heard all! Getting a woodworking tip from a friend and known expert woodworker beats getting a tip from an anonymous website/source any-day!

One of my most respected sources is Lyle Martens. His quality (and enthusiasm) is as good as it gets! I visited his shop a couple months ago. I had been hoping for the opportunity for a long time. As a result I am planning to upgrade my last Craftsman tool (a radial arm saw that always seems to go out of adjustment) to a Delta like Lyle's (which he says he hasn't had a problem with).

Side story: Through the wonders of Craigslist (and the fact that radial arm saws are out of favor) I am looking at purchasing a Delta 12 inch radial arm saw (which currently sells new for over \$2000) for under \$200.

See you January 22! \_SL

## **Annual Spring Show - March 12, 2010**

**by Jane Alesch, Special Events Director**

March 27 and 28 - 9:30 to 5:00, both days

Southwest High School  
1331 Packerland Drive  
(Just south of West Mason Street)

March is just around the snowbank, so make your Spring Show plans now. I have heard from several of you regarding raffle prizes, but please - more, more, more. We will have a Rikon Radial Arm Drill Press, a Delta low profile sander, and whatever else Lyle can scrounge up as tool prizes. We need handmade wooden items from our members. Raffle tickets go to press next weeks and will be available at the January 22 meeting along with volunteer sign-up forms and posters for you to distribute. Those who cannot make the meeting will find the packets in your mail box.

We need the following:

- \* People to pass out posters and flyers
  - \* People to contact your favorite radio stations
  - \* People to sell tickets
  - \* People to buy tickets
  - \* People to display and demonstrate at the show
  - \* Someone with a shop vac and someone to use it
  - \* People to help sell food
  - \* People to:
    - provide security,
    - staff the raffle booth,
    - donate prizes,
    - STAY to clean up and
    - DELIVER PRIZES
- and. we need ...
- \* You, to fill out your volunteer form.
- Please and Thank You.

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HELPING OUT WITH THE SPRING SHOW***

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## **CHIPS AND CUTOFFS**

**By Dan Alesch, Editor/Carver**

### **HEADS UP!**

The January Meeting is not the usual Friday. It is on Friday the 22nd. Why? It is because, all University employees are furloughed on our regular Friday, so that meeting had to be postponed a week. We'll be there on the 22nd, same time, same place.

\* Steve Lockhart, our beloved president, suggests the following Youtube site for woodworking tips: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BKX1orBiaCI>

### **January Membership Report**

**by Fred Juengst**

We now have 163 members in the Guild but we do have 9 members overdue by more than 3 months. If you get the postcard, please be sure to pay your dues as soon as possible. This will save me from dropping your name and having to restore it. Guild membership did peak at around 185 but slowly has drifted back down to the more normal level around 160.

If you feel I made a mistake with your membership renewal date, please e-mail me at [mdjuengst@aol.com](mailto:mdjuengst@aol.com) or call me at 920-469-1919. I do save membership records and should be able to correct any mistake easily. \_FJ

**For membership information, contact:** Fred Juengst, 846 Cornelius Drive  
Green Bay, WI 54311, or visit our web site: <http://www.newwg.org>.

### **Meeting of the Board of Directors**

**by Lyle Martens**

Present: Steve Lockhart, Lyle Martens, Dan Alesch, Jane Alesch, Don Kaster, Mark Brien, Fred Juengst, Greg Puza, Tim McVey. Absent: Tom Charlier, Tom Carlson, Lee Carlson, Peter Schuh  
Call meeting to order: Steve L. Minutes of October 21 meeting: Moved by Dan A, second by Fred J. Approved  
**Treasurer's report:** None in the absence of the Carlsons

**Membership Report:** Fred J indicated that there were three new members.

**Public Relations:** Tim M reported that he continues to have travel concerns and will help where he can. Suggests that the Guild continue to look for replacement.

**Program Report:** Generally the Sketch-Up program was well received. There may be a need for some kind of follow-up by someone who has used in a project. There was some discussion on the possibility of starting a support group of interested persons. More discussion on adding a turners group as the Neenah group is at capacity. The carvers group which meets at the Alesch residence is also at capacity. Future programs: January will be Chuck Druckery on hand dovetails; February, Robert Martens, Power Point demo on design of a contemporary credenza. March, Woodwork Show. There is a possibility of the Guild co-sponsoring a program with Woodcraft in April.

**Editor Report:** No Newsletter in December, January newsletter deadline is December 14.

**Special Activities:** None at present

**Web Report:** Discussion of how members can place pictures of projects and sale items on the Guild web page. Mark will write article for the newsletter.

**Holiday Party:** Jane A. indicated that there were 57 members currently signed up. A gift list was outlined for the party.

**Spring Show:** Jane A. reported that she has some prizes for the show but members should contact her so final program can be developed. A list of purchased items was discussed.

Lyle M. reported that he visited with industrial arts teacher at Southwest H.S. A couple of the Green Bay Schools will participate in the presentation of projects. Prizes will be awarded for the top three.

**Other Business:** Next Board meeting will be on January 20, at the Alesch residence.

Meeting adjourned.

## ADDENDUM

### SketchUp links

<http://sketchup.google.com/support/bin/answer.py?answer=116693&cbid=f1a6nm6giux9&src=cb&lev=answer>

<http://sketchup.google.com/training/videos.html>

<http://sketchupdate.blogspot.com/>

<http://www.finewoodworking.com/blog/design-click-build>

### For Sale

#### Jet dust collection system DC-1200CK

US\$400.00, new price \$700.00.

with 2-micron Cannister. 230 Volts. 2-4inch ports. Also includes remote control. It is three years old and in excellent condition.

Contact: Lyle Martens at 920-406-3027.

### CALENDAR OF UPCOMING PROGRAMS

January 22, 2010 Friday: Chuck Druckrey, Dovetails

February 19, 2010 Friday: Rob Martens' Cabinet



## Northeastern Wisconsin Wood Workers Guild

### Guild Officers

President, Steve Lockhart

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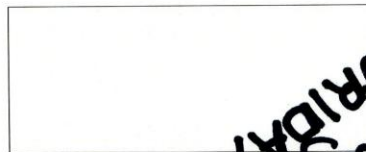
Editors, Dan and Jane Alesch, Greg Puza

Membership, Fred Juengst

Special Events, Tom Charlier

Web Site, Mark Brien

Spring Show, Jane Alesch



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NOT this FRIDAY



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