

BENCHTALK



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November 13, 2015: Finishing Tips and Techniques with Bill Robillard

By:



Guild members will recall that Bill gave us an outstanding program about glues and adhesives in April of 2014. When I approached Bill to give us a program this year he suggested that he talk about “finishing tips and techniques”

I took the opportunity to ask him about a specialized finish repair question that I had about matching stain color. His answer was something I had never thought of but was so obvious that I thought why didn't I think of that! I am sure the upcoming program will be chock full of valuable ideas.

Bill will discuss finishing tips and techniques such as selecting the proper brush for the job, correct sanding methods, laying down smooth varnish, and more. He will also discuss common finishing mistakes and some ways to avoid them.

Bill Robillard is a professional antique conservator and restorer and has been in business since 2009. Bill is a graduate of the National Institute of Wood Finishing and has worked at the U.S. Capitol and for the U.S. Congressional restoration shop. Bill's local clients include the Neville public museum.

Upcoming Events

Upcoming program events include the following:

- ◇ **November 13, 2015:** Bill Robillard—Finishing Tips and Techniques
- ◇ **December 5, 2015:** Christmas/Holiday party
- ◇ **December 2015:** No program (replaced by Holiday Party)
- ◇ **January 15, 2015:** James Wilsing—Native American Flute Carving

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Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting Held: October 20, 2015

Present: Ted Zabel, Bob Welhouse, Steve Lockhart, Kathy Kuritz, Pete Schuh, Fred Juengst, Dan and Jane Alesch

Absent: Rob Martens, Paula Martens, Lyle Martens

Meeting brought to order by Steve Lockhart at Steve's home. Prior meeting minutes approved.

- **Treasurer's Report:** Last year: \$7,801.34. Current year: \$8,506.12.
 - Kathy Kuritz funded Clete Selissen \$100 seed money for the raffle.
- **Membership report:** Fred reports there are 3 new members and he has tags for the.
- **Special Discussion:**
 - Dan Alesch is stepping away from his Directorship duties. Many thanks to Dan for his many years of extraordinary leadership with the Guild.
 - UWGB Design Studio Jury. Brief discussion regarding board member to act as a jury member.
- **Special Events:**
 - **Christmas/Holiday Party:** December 5, 2015 at UWGB. Pete Schuh will take care of the food.
- **Programs:**
 - October 16, 2016: Wood burning with Paul Murphy—well received.
 - November 13, 2016: Bill Robillard—Finishing Tips and Techniques
 - January 15, 2016: James Wilsing—Native American Flute Carving
 - Steve Lockhart is looking for something for April 2016.
- **Editors Report:** No report.
- **Librarian:** Pete ordered the drawing book that Paul Murphy recommended during the October program.
- **Website Report:** Discussion regarding the web site did not go as planned due to the candidate being a no-show. Other candidates to handle the web site are being considered.
- **Public Relations/Community Service:**
 - Organization of the Green Bay East Wood Shop and machinery is still ongoing.
- **Next Board meeting:** November 17, 2015 at the Kuritz home in Sherwood. 7:00 p.m.

November Program Room Location



Reminder about the room location at UWGB for our programs:

- Room 107 has been reserved for the Guild's November program.
- December, there is no program because the holiday party replaces the program.
- UWGB's room reservation policy no longer allows indefinite reservations. Instead, rooms must be re-reserved on a quarterly basis and rooms are assigned based on certain criteria. As a result, the room location is subject to change. Once the 1st quarter 2016 room reservations are confirmed, room locations will be announced in the newsletter.

Library News

Submitted By: Pete Schuh

Pete shares that we have three new books in the library. They are:

- **Recommended by Paul Murphy**, presenter at the October program:
 - Drawing on the Right Side of the Brain, by Betty Edwards
 - Drawing on the Right Side of the Brain Workbook, by Betty Edwards
- **Provided by Guild member Len Hervas**:
 - 14 Wooden Boxes You Can Make, from The Home Woodworker Series

Reminder: There is no program in December, so there will be no library available in December. So, the November program will be the last chance to get some good reading and project books for Christmas gifts.

Volunteer Activity

By: Paula Martens

In the September issue, I included a list of local non-profit agencies that could use a hand from a woodworker. Some of the projects are very simple and wouldn't take much time. A few of the agencies are so hopeful to get our help they have followed up with me asking if anyone will be able to help their cause. If interested, or if you would like a list of the agencies and their wish lists, please let me know.

Paula (920.655.4952)



Membership

By: Fred Juengst

Membership is holding steady.

If you think I made a mistake, or if you did not get your Bench Talk, let me know by sending me an e-mail at mdjuengst@aol.com, or call me at 920-469-1919. If you change your home or e-mail address, please let me know.

Dues are \$15 for individuals, \$20 for family, and \$35 for business. Make your check payable to "NEWWG" and send it to Fred Juengst, 846 Cornelius Dr., Green Bay, WI 54311.

If you are joining for the first time, we require you to purchase a name tag. Please add \$10 for individual, \$15 for family (2 name tags), and \$15 for business members (3 name tags).

Christmas/Holiday Party—RSVPs are Needed

By Paula Martens

The Guild's Christmas/Holiday party is scheduled for Saturday, **December 5, 2015**. The party is held at the Mauthe Ecumenical Center on the UWGB campus (located next to the Kress Events Center).

Pete Schuh will again organize and set up the main dish and beverage. Members who attend the Christmas/Holiday party bring a dish to pass.

To ensure enough food is ordered, it's important that all members who plan to attend contact Pete to let him know how many plan to attend. Please contact Pete with your RSVP by either email or phone:

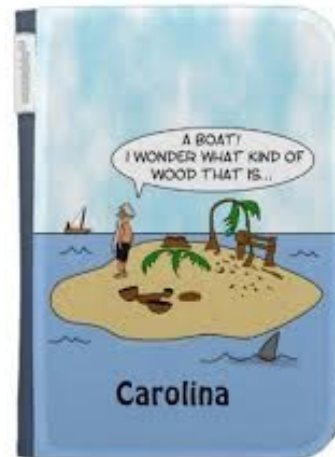
Email: pjscls@live.com

Phone: 920.788.3871



Reminder: Date Change

The November program will take place one week earlier than usual. The Bill Robillard program takes place on **Friday, November 13th**.



Miscellaneous

By: Steve Lockhart

In last month's program with Paul Murphy, I was blown away by his innovative use of photographs of his work. I was also blown away by the quality of the photos.

Paul made the business cards of his photographer available at the meeting. I think it's worth posting here in the newsletter as a refresher.



Northeastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild Meetings

When:

Every 3rd Friday of the month, unless specified otherwise

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Where:

Maryann Cofrin Hall, UW-Green Bay campus, Room 109

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President: Rob Martens

Vice President Programs, Steve Lockhart

Vice President Publicity, Ted Zabel

Treasurer, Kathy Kurtiz

Secretary, Bob Welhouse

Public Relations & Member at Large, Lyle Martens

Committee Chairpersons & Project Coordinators

Librarian, Pete Schuh

Membership, Fred Juengst

Special Events, Dan Alesch

Spring Show, Committee Members

Web Site, Position unfilled

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