January Program: Friday, Jan. 20, 2017 — 7 pm

"Show and Tell"

(Yes, the whole Meeting!)

By Steve Lockhart

We’ve been talking about this for a couple of meetings and now is the time to prepare! Don’t be shy! I am hoping that every member will bring something! What to bring:

- Small wooden projects or jigs and fixtures
- Photos of your small and large wooden projects or jigs and fixtures
- Photos of somebody else's wooden projects.
- Photos of your last vacation: **Not unless it involves woodworking! :-)**
- Photos of your shop
- Info about an interesting vendor, lumber yard, website

We will try to project all photos on the screen. You can bring the photos on a flash drive or if you have prints or magazine articles we can put them on the overhead projector.

**We want to know about your project or ?? !!**

These photos are a sample of “random” examples lifted from the web.

Upcoming programs & events: 

**Friday, Jan 20, 2017:** Member Show and Tell  UWGB Wood Hall  Room 117.

**Feb 2017:** Sean Bennett  Hardwood Lumber Grading
(Possible day change from Fri to Wed) Watch newsletter for details.

There will be a new location for February meeting. See pg. 2.
Changes in 2017 meeting locations

Jan 20-Friday. Meeting Changed to Wood Hall, Room 117 UWGB Campus
From either the Nicolet Drive (Co. A) entrance, or Bay Settlement Rd entrance, take South Circle Drive to Wood Hall Drive.

***** February NEW LOCATION****

Our February meeting will be at Southwest High School, (same place as the spring show). We are trying a new location and possibly a new day of the week, please plan to attend and give us feedback on your experience. More information will be in the February news letter.
From NEWWG President, Pete Schuh:

On behalf of the Directors, I would like to wish all of you a happy and productive new year.

Hopefully Santa brought you some new toys (tools) or you had time over the holidays to complete a project from your last year’s bucket list. We hope to see some of these at the January meeting.

If you are looking for a new year’s resolution that is fun and easy to complete, consider getting involved in the operation of your guild. We are looking for members on the board, and people to do a demonstration or suggest ideas for meetings. Every little bit helps! If you have ideas or would like to get involved contact any member of the board. If you haven’t attended meetings for a while come and bring a friend. We are always looking for new members.

The spring show planning has begun. A volunteer sign-up sheet and raffle tickets will be available at the February meeting. If you are planning to have a table at the show, more information will be available soon. We will need to know how many tables to order and assign space.

Last year went very well, we had a successful spring show, interesting meetings and we are now a 501(C)3 non profit, classified as a public charity.

Let’s Talk About the Spring Show at the January meeting! By Steve Lockhart

We’ve made some minor tweaks to help make the show run as efficiently as possible as well as earning some money so we can keep our dues low. For 2017 there is a “table fee”. The charge is $10 for a half table or $20 which covers 1 or 2 tables. It’s getting kinda late in the game but if you have suggestions please be prepared to talk about them at the January meeting!

Also! We can use all the help we can get with the many tasks involved with the show. Even if you don’t plan to have a table please plan to participate. This can be in the form of volunteering to staff the ticket table, distributing prizes, providing publicity.

Business News: the end of an era By Steve Lockhart

As I was browsing the business news recently I was shocked to read that Sears has sold the “Craftsman” brand to Stanley/Black and Decker Corp. As one of the folks some (youngsters) call elderly I have had many happy hours running my (and my Dad’s) Craftsman tools. In fact we looked down at the lowly Black and Decker.

What’s next?? (I made this up) Will Harbor Freight buy out Black and Decker?

In Memorium:

Long-time member, Rich Ward has passed away. Rich was a Guild fixture, providing his own self-manufactured grill for the annual picnic, selling many, many raffle tickets for every show, and taking on a number of Guild projects over the years, including handling the production and sale of Guild shirts and caps. Rich had health problems over the years that meant he had multiple surgeries on multiple joints and, in recent years, got around on an electric-powered chair. He was a cordial fellow and I never heard him say a bad word about anyone. His death was sudden and unexpected by even his close friends. We’ll miss him and his many contributions to the Guild.

Dan Alesch
JANUARY MEMBERSHIP REPORT by Fred Juengst

Our membership renewal process has changed and here is how it will work. When your renewal date comes up at the end of the month, your name will appear in the next month Bench Talk Membership report. Please renew at that time or at the next meeting. If no dues are received, you will receive a postcard reminding you to pay your dues. If no response is received from the postcard reminder by the end of the month, your name is removed from the active membership list. For this month only one membership became due.

Bob Walkner

Please pay your dues as soon as possible. No one will be dropped from membership unless you do not respond to a postcard reminder stating that you will receive your last Bench Talk.

No one was dropped this month for non-payment of dues. I sent out 10 dues reminder postcards. We lost an old time member, Richard Ward, and remember his active role in the Guild and his wonderful grill we have had at many Guild picnics. At this time we have 123 members in good standing plus 1 prospective new member. 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 (2 name tags).

Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting Held: November 15, 2016 at the home of Ted Zabel
Present: Ted Zabel, Bob Welhouse, Maureen Birk, Pete Schuh, Steve Lockhart, Fred Juengst, Dan & Jane Alesch, Paul Murphy, Pat Williams
Absent: Kathy Kuritz

Meeting brought to order by Pete Schuh at 7:00pm. Prior meeting minutes approved.

- Treasurer’s Report: Last year: $8,227.42. Current year: $4,846.46. The most significant difference was the cost for developing the web page.
- Membership report: one new signed up member and 2 possibles. Brief discussion on how to deal with late dues.
- Special Events: December 3, 2016 Christmas party.
  - Things are taken care of. Minor last minute plans were made. Entertainment plans fell through. Discussion re door prizes.
  - Signup deadline is November 28, 2016. Email reminder will go out on November 25, 2016.
- Programs:
  - November 1, 2016 - methods to obtain accuracy in woodworking by Bob Krantz - well-received.
  - January 2017 - members show and tell projects - fixtures and jigs
- Editors Report: Maureen Birk says articles are due by January 6, 2017.
- Website Report: Maureen reports that she is still organizing. Discussion re minor changes to the menu and ability for members to post additional pictures.
- Librarian Report: Two books were donated by Russ Roland of the Bay Lake Woodturners: Building Furniture in the Craftsman Style and Arts and Crafts; and Furniture Products.
- Public Relations / Community Service:
  - Ted Zabel reports he had communication with the Green Bay Area Newcomers re online calendar. $75 for publicity for Spring Show.
- New Business:
  - Discussed moving meetings to Green Bay Southwest High School.
  - Discussed change of meeting night to Wednesday night.
  - Discussion re making sure the Guild is promoted or recognized as a non-profit because we promote woodworking education.
  - Discussion re growing the Spring Show. Dan Alesch talked about working up a budget.
- Next board meeting:
  January 24, 2017 tentatively at Fred Juengst’s home.
PICTURES FROM CHRISTMAS PARTY

New business member
Welcome!

Bay Verte Machinery wants to thank everyone at the Northeast Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild for inviting us to be a business partner with the guild. We are excited about our future together in getting to you the latest tool news, the best promotions, and largest discounts!

Who is Bay Verte?

Bay Verte Machinery is a tool house located locally in Green Bay, is family owned, and has been in business for almost 100 YEARS! We are experienced in selling to the industrial market, and bring that same dedication and knowledge into the consumer and hobbyist market.

Our newly expanded showroom (The Power Tool Store) is one of the largest in the Midwest boasting OVER 20,000 square feet of tools, machinery, safety products, and much, much more. We have OVER 700 vendors including Festool, Powermatic, Jet, Laguna, Shop Fox, Oliver, Easy Wood Tools, Fein, Milwaukee, DeWalt, and Makita! We were the first Sawstop dealer in Wisconsin and the largest. We also have a dedicated service center to repair all of your tools from drills to table saws and even gas powered equipment.

Watch soon for details on our guild exclusive points program. Check back in this section each month to stay up to date with all of your favorite tools and don’t forget, we have a BEST PRICE GUARANTEE!

Come see at our expanded showroom at 975 Parkview Rd, Green Bay, WI 54304, just south of Stein Garden in the west side of Green Bay, visit us at bayverte.com, or Call or email your Guild Sales Rep: Jim Diederich at 920-336-7440, jamesd@bayverte.com.

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2017 Guild Spring Woodworking Show

Submitted by: Steve Lockhart

The Spring show is fast approaching! We will need to rely on help from each member and especially each participant to make this show a success!

The Spring Show committee is hard at work in organizing the March 18 and 19 Spring Show. I urge each of you to be a participant in the show.

Why do we have a Spring Show?

1. To “get the word out about the guild” The show is a great way to get new members.
2. To raise money for the guild. Without the show income we would have to raise our dues considerably. So.... Raffle income and Table fees are needed to pay the expenses to run the show plus generate income to keep the dues low.
3. Provide the opportunity for members to get to know each other better and make woodworking friends.

Provide a venue for some members to sell hand made items and develop contacts with potential customers of our work.

What does it cost to put on the Spring Show?

- Rental of space at Southwest High School: $1000
- Table rental: $600
- Misc. expenses: approx. $1000
- Insurance (required for show): approx. $480
- Total (not including purchased raffle prizes): $3080

Important show details:

First: In this Newsletter is an application for the reservation of a space at the show. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THE DEADLINE FOR SIGNING UP FOR A TABLE IS FEBRUARY 1. No follow-up calls will be made, so if you do not send in your reservation form by the February 1 date you will not have a space reserved. If there are any spaces left after that date, it will be first come first served.

We hope that you will consider donating one of your projects for the drawing. We will need a description of your donation by February 1 also, but if you have the information available by the January Guild meeting that would be great.

Second: an IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION! Each year there is an expectation that each member that has reserved a table will donate a door prize and sell as many tickets pre-show as possible. We are also requiring that each member who reserves a table will pay a $20 fee to help defray show expenses. If you need two tables, the fee will be $20 total. For half a table the fee is $10.

Third: A challenge to each of us. If every member sells at least 25 tickets the Guild would have about $4,000.00. With the additional tickets that we sell at the show we can show a profit to pay for the many projects of the Guild.

The committee is working hard to make the show the best ever so we need your help. Sybll Hopp School is going to serve the food at the show as their chance to raise money for the school. This should be an added incentive for the public to attend. LET’S MAKE THIS A GREAT EVENT!
Tool Crib at The Spring Show

1. **What is the tool crib?** Guild members can bring in new or old tools that they no longer want or need. Only members of the guild may sell tools in the tool crib. Also, members can donate a tool or tools to the guild. The guild will sell them at the tool crib and apply the proceeds to offset the cost of the spring show.

2. **How do I put tools in the tool crib?** You will be given a tag for each tool that you bring. On each tag you will fill out the following information:
   - **Name/Phone Nbr:** (please use your cell phone number)
   - **Tool:** (type of tool)
   - **Condition:** (new, used, excellent, good, working, not working, etc.)
   - **Price:** (what you want for the tool) Attach the tag to the tool.
   The tool tag must then be entered on to the numbered Tool Crib Inventory sheet.
   The **line number** on the inventory sheet must be written on the tag.

3. **Do I have to be present to sell items in the tool crib?** Yes, you have to be present to sell items. You may designate someone else but either you or your designated representative must be at the show.

4. **What is the selling procedure?** All sales are between the seller and buyer. When a buyer is interested in an item they can call the phone number on the tag or ask the worker at the tool crib where the seller is. Once the seller and buyer have reached an agreement, the seller will give the tag to the worker at the tool crib table. The worker will take the tag; and cross off the item on the Tool Crib Inventory sheet. The tag is our record of the sale as being completed. No tagged Tool Crib items should leave the show. **All sales are between the seller and buyer. The Guild will not handle any money.**

5. **Can I bring in more items on Sunday?** Yes, you may bring in additional items on Sunday.

6. **What happens to the items at the end of the show?** All unsold items must be picked up the seller by the end of the show. The guild will not be responsible for any items not picked up.

If you have any questions contact the Tool Crib Chairman Tom Carlson at: Phone number: 920-856-6363 or email him at leetom@centurytel.net

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**Tool Crib Tags will be available at the Jan & Feb. meetings. Plan ahead to save time by filling out the tags early.**

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**Bench Talk** is the newsletter of the Northeast Wisconsin Wood Workers Guild, published prior to regularly scheduled monthly meetings. Submissions from members are welcome (articles, musings, questions, pictures.)

Deadline for next newsletter is Feb. 6, 2017.