

# BENCHTALK



**Northeastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild**

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**Wed, Nov 20, 2019 7 pm, Ashwaubenon High School**

**Crafting Wooden Spoons with Mark Hawkins and Dan Weiske**

*by Steve Lockhart*

Did you ever wonder what the best method to make a spoon out of a nice piece of wood? Mark and Dan will describe two methods: Hand carving and Power carving.

**Spoons Off The Stump** by Mark Hawkins

What is the woodworking culture in 2020? Are you sure that computer-controlled machines are the next logical linear step in the culture and evolution of woodworking? If you look past the periodicals and never darken the door of a woodcraft store, you might find out that there is a “New Wood Culture” emerging from Generation X and Millennial wood workers. Cutting your own material, splitting it, and processing it from a soaking wet material is wildly popular thanks to Barnaby Carder, Jarrod Dahl, and Jogge Sundqvist. Domestic woodenware is the tip of the knife for most green woodworkers, and the pinnacle project is the spoon. Using an axe and a straight knife to do the rough and fine work, a spoon can be ready for soup or cheerios in less than an hour of efficient work. Its wholistic approach, cheap entry point, low time commitment, and endless creativity is attractive to almost anyone.



**Power Carving** by Dan Wieske

Dan will outline his technique of power carving. The presentation will explain why he uses primarily power tools over traditional hand tools. He will bring tools, equipment, examples of completed spoons.

## **Guild Library**

The guild library will not be available in December. So the November meeting will be a good chance to get material to watch/read over the holidays.

Pete Schuh



## CHRISTMAS PARTY



Our annual Christmas party is scheduled for Saturday Dec 14th. The location is the same as past years, UWGB, Ecumenical center (Richard Mauthe Center). The doors open around 5 p.m. and we plan to eat around 6 pm. We usually set-up around 4:30 if you would like to help with that, come early. When we are set up, it is a good time to sit and visit.

The guild provides the main course, meat, drinks, plates, napkins and utensils. Members bring a dish to pass, salad, dessert, or hors d'oeuvres . This year I plan to change the menu a little. Instead of pulled pork, beef and gravy, and ham. I plan on having mashed potatoes with beef tips and gravy, vegetable, some ham and buns. If you have a better idea, let me know soon.

I will have a sign-up sheet at the November meeting. In the past the club provided a few door prizes and some members brought home made items to add to the prizes as well. If you can't make the meeting, e-mail or call me by Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, if you plan to attend.

Thanks for your support

Pete Schuh

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## 2019 UPCOMING PROGRAMS AT ASHWAUBENON HIGH SCHOOL 7 PM

Green Bay Ashwaubenon High School 2391 S. Ridge Rd

Enter through the west side of the building; turn Right to the meeting room.

Map available on our web site newwg.org

November 13 "Crafting wooden Spoons" Mark Hawkins and Dan Wieske

Dec. 14, (Sat) Christmas Party. (See above)

Jan. 15 2020 Open-possible video presentation

Feb. 19 Brendan Biller - Live Edge Slabs

Mar 21 & 22 Spring Show @ Southwest High School, Green Bay

April 15 Joel Boldig - Poured Epoxy Tabletops

## **IT'S SHOW PLANNING TIME! March 21 and 22 are closer than you think!!**

**UPDATE:** Your Spring Show chair, Pat Williams, has been deep into planning, developing new forms and organizing some new programs. A planning meeting on Oct 30, was well attended by members, and lots of questions and suggestions were shared. We were provided with a list of ways members can get involved. Even if you do not plan to have a display table, there is surely a way you can help. Many hands are needed to make the weekend go smoothly. From publicity and flyer distribution, to printing forms, to staffing the ticket selling table, to set up and take down assistance and more.

Accompanying this newsletter are 3 forms:

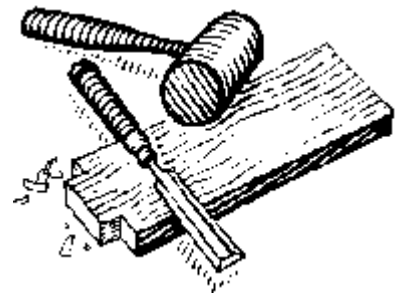
Show general **guidelines** explains changes to the show format and the new features this year.

Show **sign up** form is for members or others that wish to have a display table.

**Volunteer** sign up form details the ways members can help prior to and during the show.

Please review the forms; note there are deadlines for sign up.

New this year, Guild members will not be charged a fee for a display table, but are still expected to donate one item for the raffle. No advance ticket sales will be required, as all tickets will be "bucket raffle" style, and only sold at the show.



### **Request through our web site: CP Center project**

Hello!

I am Traci Ombrello, the Manager of the Aquatic Center at CP. I believe the Wood Workers Guild helped us, the Aquatic Center, with a project a long time ago. I am coming back to you to see if you are willing and able to help us with another project? We are in need of a stationary mat table for one of our new Locker Room spaces. The table would be used for children and adults, with or without disabilities to have a safe table to assist in their changing needs.

Please let me know this is a project you are interested in taking on for the Aquatic Center.

Thank you!

Changing Bench for CP Center

Over-all length 70", width 23 ¾", height 22"

Legs 3"x 3"x 22"

Frame sides, 8" maple

Top: ¾" plywood 24" x 73" padded and covered w/ vinyl

3@ tee shape cross braces. plywood 6" wide, 4" deep. used to secure the top and strengthen the sides

Bench in moist area, needs water resistant glue and exterior finish

Aquatic Center Contact person, Traci Ombrello, 920-337-1122

Pete Schuh 11-1-19



## MEMBER PAGE

Ideas, questions, successes, oops's, shared by guild members

**Don't be shy! Everyone has a story to share!**

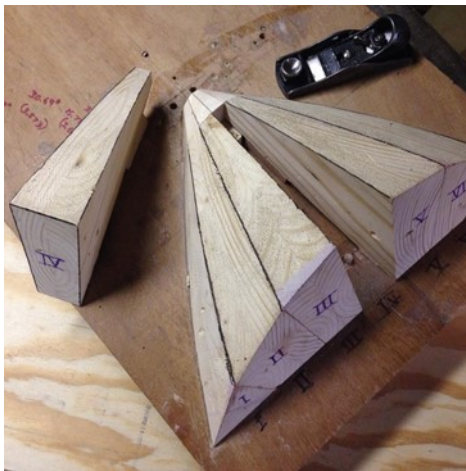
Contact the editor with an article, or for more information:

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From Larry Hladilek

### Balalaika

Completed a bowl form for a balalaika, a Russian stringed instrument. The form is made with seven 15 degree segments which will be used as a shooting board to shape and joint each bowl rib. The segments were milled using a Foley- Bellsaw plainer and a shop made Sine bar. The Sine bar, pictured from the out feed, is made from two cylinders with centers seven inches apart. The height of the block marked "X" under the raised cylinder is calculated by entering 15 into a scientific calculator, touching the Sine button and multiplying that number by seven, the distance of the cylinder centers.



### Burls for Sale

Received a call from Jim Wollenman, he has 12 to 15 Cherry burls, some quite large, asking \$400 for entire lot. Located in Allenville, about 10 miles west of Neenah, 920-836-2490 or wollermans@gmail.com

**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 January 6, 2020.**

## ITEMS FOR SALE

### Butternut Wood

Butternut logs, entire tree from wind blow down. Main trunk approx. 18 inches dia., several pieces 4 to 5 feet and shorter.

Appleton north : 920-733-8332

## **TOOLS FOR SALE**

These are all beginner or secondary tools for the garage or cottage.

They seemed to be in good condition. If interested, please contact

Chuck Turner at 434-8888 or [mrfins99@gmail.com](mailto:mrfins99@gmail.com)

Craftsman 10" Table saw with stand

Craftsman 12" Band saw with stand

Craftsman 10" Radial Arm Saw

Lobo 6" Jointer with stand

DeWalt 12" planer with stand

Shop Fox 4" Edge sander

Delta 6" grinder

MAT (Chinese) drill press with stand (36" tall)

Delta Drill press (30" tall)

Delta 1" Belt Sander

Ridgid Oscillating Spindle Sander (Model EB 44241).comes with a single head, or a platen head.

Numerous hand and power hand tools, plus clamps

## **Northeastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild Directors Meeting**

Date: October 22, 2019 7 pm

Location: Home of Paul Murphy & Pat Williams

Members Present: Pete Schuh, Chuck Druckrey, Steve Lockhart, Paul Murphy, Pat Williams, Bob Welhouse, Dan Alesch, Matt Hamblin, Maureen Birk

Absent: Ted Zabel

Meeting was called to order at 7pm.

Previous meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer Report – Current Assets: \$9,668.70; Last Year: \$9,624.96. Dan Alesch gave a short report re the mandatory Audit.

Membership Report - none

Special Events: Christmas party is set for December 14, 2019 from 5-9pm; deposit made; discussion re food.

Programs - Oct 2019 - Peter Strub of Strub's Woodcrib - High End Breadboards - well-received

Nov 2019 - Dan Wieske (power carving) & Mark Hawkins (hand tool carving) -  
wooden spoons

Jan 2020 - OPEN - possible video discussion

Feb 2020 - Brendan Biller - Live Edge Slabs

March 2020 - Spring Show

April 2020 - Joel Boldig - Poured Epoxy Tabletops

Editors Report – Articles due by November 11, 2019. Maureen reports only 14 mailed newsletters. All others online.

Web Report – no report

Librarian Report – Pete reports he is getting rid of VHS tapes and taking out some dead books.

Public Relations - no report

New Business: Extensive, detailed Spring Show discussions.

Date and place for Next Directors meeting - November 26, 2019 TBA location

Adjourn

### **NORTHEAST WISCONSIN WOODWORKING GUILD**

**MEETINGS** (Guests and prospective members welcome)

3rd Wednesday of each month, unless specified otherwise.

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Where: Ashwaubenon High School

Visit our web site at: [www.newwg.org](http://www.newwg.org)

How to Get Involved: For inquiries regarding joining

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### **Guild Officers**

President: Paul Murphy

Vice President Programs, Steve Lockhart

Vice President Publicity/Membership, Ted Zabel

Vice President, Pat Williams

Treasurer, Chuck Druckrey

Secretary, Bob Welhouse

### **Committee Chairs & Project Coordinators**

Librarian, Pete Schuh