**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. 8th, if you plan to attend.

Thanks for your support
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2019 UPCOMING PROGRAMS AT ASHWABENON 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 are interested in taking on for the Aquatic Center.
Thank you!
Changing Bench for CP Center
Over-all length 70”, width 23 ¼”, 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:

Maureen Birk 920-755-3404  birkmr@yahoo.com

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
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
How to Get Involved: For inquiries regarding joining
The Northeastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild, contact:
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