

BENCHTALK



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Sketching & Planning a Cabinet with Curt Andersen Program Date: Friday, April 15th

By: Steve Lockhart

Curt Andersen is a long-time guild member and master craftsman.

Curt will demonstrate that the most basic sketch can be easier to follow than most of the plans you can buy today, and sure is lots cheaper. The program will assist both new and veteran woodworkers in their attempts to build anything from a cabinet to a shelf to a fireplace surround. The program will also include the basics of a story pole, or rod layout, which is how Curt learned to build cabinets, and still finds to be the best way to plan and execute their construction with efficiency. Once you understand how that rod layout works, you will find it easy, and it will help you see a cabinet or other project in a new light.



Upcoming Events

Upcoming program events include the following:

- ◇ **April 15, 2016:** Cabinet Layout, with Curt Andersen
- ◇ **May 20, 2016:** Blacksmithing and Woodworking, with Jeff Benson
- ◇ **June 17, 2016:** Greene and Greene Furniture Building, with Thomas Gallenburg

Tool Crib Results

Submitted by: Tom Carlson

At each Spring Show the Guild holds a Tool Crib where members can sell old tools, power tools, etc. during the spring show.

The results are in. Tom reports that the 2016 crib was a success, generating approximately \$1,194.00 for members who sold items in the crib. There were 193 items listed and 116 items were sold.

Special thanks go to the Tool Crib Team (Mike Dahlke, Clete Selissen, and Don Carlson) for their work getting customers and sellers together, and keeping a record on finalized sales.

Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting Held: February 23, 2016

Present: Ted Zabel, Bob Welhouse, Steve Lockhart, Kathy Kuritz, Bob Kurtiz, Pete Schuh, Rob & Paula Martens, Maureen Birk, Dan & Jane Alesch, Mike Dahlke

Absent: Fred Juengst

Meeting brought to order by Rob Martens at 7:00 PM. Prior meeting minutes approved.

- **Treasurer's Report:** Last year: \$6,413.62. Current year: \$5,918.66
- **Membership report:** 1 new member. Several renewals.
- **Special Events:**
 - **Spring Show:** March 19-20, 2016
 - Discussions included promotion: banner creation, TV coverage including Channels 5 and 26, and new opportunities as they present themselves.
 - Exhibitor placement
 - Show reminders also magazine dispersal at Spring Show
 - Name tags on tables
 - Reminder to exhibitors not to pack up during raffles
- **Programs:**
 - February 2016: Urban Wood Lab was found to be very interesting
 - April 2016: Curt Andersen on cabinet layout
 - May 2016: Jeff Benson - Blacksmithing & woodworking
 - June 2016: Tentatively Thomas Gallenberg furniture
- **Editors Report:** Articles are due by March 6, 2016
- **Librarian:** No report
- **Website Report:** Maureen Birk—making progress on the website, still learning the ropes
- **Other Business:** No other business
- **Next Board meeting:** April 19, 2016 at Rob & Paula Martens home. 7:00 p.m.

Spring Show Success

By: Steve Lockhart

Based on comments heard by me and my observations, the show turned out to be a success! The only actual screw up was done by me. I am not saying, but Clete S. could probably tell you about it. Anyway, to keep things on a positive note I observed the following:

- ⇒ The school finally got their outdoor electronic sign working in time to put the Show on it. Feedback was that some folks rely on it to learn when the show is running, so this is worthwhile.
- ⇒ I saw lots of cooperation and camaraderie getting the show set up and taken down. We have a great group!
- ⇒ We had 70 outstanding raffle prizes, most of which were donated by members. Thanks to all the craftsmen and women! Thanks also to the suppliers. Special thanks to Kreg Corp. which donated at no cost several Kreg Jig Sets worth a total of over \$200. Donations were also made by Freud, Power Tool Store, Porter Cable, Woodworkers Depot and Woodcraft.
- ⇒ Many positive comments were made about our food. Thanks to the folks from Syble Hopp.
- ⇒ Thanks, too, to Jane Alesch, who worked long hours at the raffle desk selling tickets and collecting dues and show fees.
- ⇒ Thanks to new member Mark Hawkins for donating his effort to make the new banner, which I know will be used for many years to come.

I know I haven't mentioned all who worked above and beyond the call of duty, but this comes under the heading of "we have a great group!"

There is one more thing..... \$\$\$. This year raffle ticket sales were \$ 3828. "Participation fees" totaled \$685 for a combined total of \$4513. The raffle ticket sales last year were \$4516. There are many theories on " why" the difference/similarity between the two years so it will definitely be a topic of discussion before we plan next year's show.

If you have thoughts on improvements which could be made for next years show, please communicate them to any of the Guild board members including me at 920 733 2347 or salockhart@gmail.com

Congrats on another great show!!

Membership Report:

By: Fred Juengst

I have sent out 6 dues reminder cards. Thanks to the participants in the Spring Show, lots of members paid their dues. However, April is the month for renewals for those who joined the Guild at the Spring Shows. Please send in your dues if you remember joining at a show or bring your payment to the meeting on April 15. We gained 3 new members at the show and I would like to welcome, Lance and Tammie Brux, Jesse Messersmith and Mark Hawkins. You now have the whole knowledge of the Guild members at your disposal. Please be sure to ask your questions and participate in the Guild meeting and activities. We also had 4 past members rejoin. We lost 4 members as well.

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). Many years ago members of the guild resented having to stand and introduce themselves. The name tag solution started because some refused to stand and introduce themselves. They wanted to quit the guild if this practice continued. Just remember, dues 30 years ago was \$15 for individuals.

White Oak Available

A local Green Bay resident has contacted the guild indicating that they have a white oak tree scheduled to be cut down on April 27th. The tree is described as a double-trunk white oak tree. While the resident indicates that the tree is mostly dead, she wants to offer our members the opportunity to use any of the wood that might be good for your projects.

If interested, and/or if you would like the wood cut to certain lengths, please contact Halina BEFORE April 27th.

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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

Visit us on the web at:

www.newwg.org

Guild Officers

President: Rob Martens

Vice President Programs, Steve Lockhart

Vice President Publicity, Ted Zabel

Treasurer, Kathy Kurtiz

Secretary, Bob Welhouse

Committee Chairpersons & Project Coordinators

Librarian, Pete Schuh

Membership, Fred Juengst

Special Events, Dan Alesch

Spring Show, Steve Lockhart

Web Site, Maureen Birk

Newsletter, Paula Martens

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