

# BENCHTALK



**Northeastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild**

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**Guild meeting, Wednesday, March 15 2023; 7 pm at NWTC in Green Bay**

## **Native American Flute Making**

James Wilsing is a musician and woodworker from Sheboygan, Wisconsin. He has combined two of his passions, music and woodworking to make flutes and work on bagpipes. In our March meeting, Jim will tell us how he got into making Native American flutes and explain how they are made. This will be an opportunity to learn about woodworking in a different perspective.

These pictures are of a similar “drone” flute, ie, 2 flutes in one.



## **Upcoming Programs start time 7pm. 3rd Wed. of the month generally**

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## **New meeting room/building but still at NWTC,**

We will now be in Room EE201, of the Great Lakes Energy Ed. Center. Use parking lot G, entrance door E2. See map included with newsletter.

## **Library**

The library will be available at the new meeting location. Please bring all of the materials you have checked out.



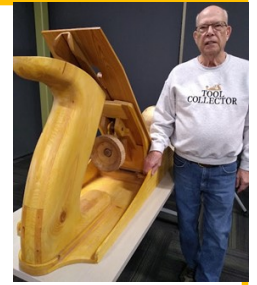
## NOTES FROM THE LAST MEETING

### Program Review

Our presenter was Jerry Anson, from the Milwaukee Woodworkers Guild. He brought 2 large scale tools, a hand drill and a hand plane, that their Guild built, to have as displays at the upcoming, Milwaukee based Woodworkers Show.

Jerry presented a slide show and demonstration detailing the process. They disassembled the standard tools, made patterns, enlarged them to 6x original and constructed all parts of wood. 9 people worked on the plane, 6 on the drill. Individuals worked separately on the various parts, and later assembled the tool. All parts fit! And the drill actually turns a long wooden drill bit!

Jerry showed in detail the various jigs he invented to make the toothed gears, the inside and outside threads and knurled surface of the chuck. Large turnings were needed for the drill shaft and knobs on both tools. A CAD system was used for some of the design, as well as CNC for some of the precision cuttings. Really impressive!



### Member SHOW & TELL

Larry Lienau Intarsia plaque



Glen Koehler Segmented bowl



Al Herwig Climbing marble toy and sand wheel trapeze toy



Bruce Kornely Router stand



George Brudi Turned bowls and Box



## March Membership Update

We welcome these new members who joined us recently:

*Michael Berg of Tigerton Vic Gulla of Appleton Nic Hendel of Appleton*

*Mark Kunstman of Waupaca Jeff Treu of Waupaca*

As of March 6, we have 121 active members with an additional 70 members who have received their "Final Renewal Reminder." I hope many of these 70 will renew their memberships prior to March 31. Receiving this Bench Talk newsletter and having other club benefits is contingent on having "active" status.

On Saturday, February 18, the Guild held a NEWWG membership drive at the Woodcraft store in Appleton. Woodcraft was holding turning demos from 10am-3pm. We were invited to attend to invite shoppers to join the Guild. Wes Brown, one of our new members and manager of the Woodcraft of Appleton store, set us up with a display table right inside the door. Woodcraft promoted this Guild membership event on Facebook and their exclusive e-mail list.

The event was a huge win for our Guild. I had the opportunity to talk with dozens of people that day. **Nine new members joined at this event.** The Guild thanks Wes and the Woodcraft team for promoting the Guild and giving us this opportunity.



**Finally, if you have not already done so, please update your 2023 membership status by paying your dues this month. Thanks!**

Annual Dues	Individual	Family	Business	Students
First Year	\$25	\$35	\$50	\$10
Renewal	\$15	\$20	\$35	\$10

You can pay your dues when you attend any meeting or mail a check payable to NEWWG to:

**NEWWG Eric Hansen W6994 Angel Hill Drive Greenville, WI 54942**

## **Band Saw for Sale**

Rikon 10-345 Bandsaw....this is the largest Bandsaw that Rikon makes 18 inches blade to frame and 12 inches maximum board width for resawing. Includes carbide tip resawing blade. The bandsaw is in like new condition. **\$1500**

Other info:

Built in motor runs on 220v single phase.

Includes rip fence and resawing guide

Contact: Steve Lockhart either by email or phone:

[salockhart@gmail.com](mailto:salockhart@gmail.com)

1-920-202-2357

**NEWWG BOD Meeting Feb 28, 2023** At NWTC Great Lake Energy Ed. Center meeting room. Convened 7:00 pm.

**Attending:** Pres. Paul Murphy, V.P. Pat Williams, Program Committee Barry Bender, Secretary /Newsletter Maureen Birk, Treasurer Chuck Druckrey, Web Site, Matt Hamblin. Past Pres./Library Pete Schuh, Membership, Eric Hansen Guests: Randy Hendricks, Jim Michiels.

**Minutes** from last meeting: Approval unanimous.

**Secretary/Newsletter:** With meeting on Mar 15 articles will be due 3/6. Maureen will be taking pictures of member “show and tell” at meetings, to include in the newsletter.

**Library** No new items. Pete is trying to contact those who have had items out for a long time.

**Website** Matt is continuing development a new web site.

**Treasurer's report:** Financial Activity (Jan. 17 through 2/27/23

Balance as of 2/27/23 - \$2918.50

Income: \$1.37 - Interest income \$471.00– Membership dues \$ 90.00 “ Total \$562.37	Expenses: \$12.00 Show Expenses \$ 48.98 “ \$ 6.72 Office expenses \$25.50 Membership Printing \$ 240.00 Presenter Fee \$355.00 Insurance Premium Total -\$688.20
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There is a grant program through the Wisconsin Dep’t of tourism, called the “Joint Effort Marketing (JEM) Grants”. Chuck reported that he had a preliminary discussion with Grant coordinator and learned that the Guild is likely eligible for grant support for marketing/publicity costs for the show. He will be having further discussions this week.

Respectfully Submitted, Chuck Druckrey – Treasurer

**Membership:** Eric reports good interest at the membership sign up event at Woodcraft on 2/18: 7 individual & 2 family memberships, with 2 others planning to attend a meeting and sign up then. Eric showed the slide show he developed as an intro to the guild. 90 unpaid or inactive members have been sent “final reminders” to renew by 2/28/23. Recommends that the Guild do another similar event in spring. A suggestion came from George Brudi, that when he makes new name tags, to add the member’s city. There is space, and it can aide in networking for members. Motion made, seconded and approved unanimously.

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**Show 2023:** New Show Committee: Jim Michiels and Randy Hendricks presented what they and Kristen Nemitz have worked on to date. They reviewed show costs and revenue from 2014 – 2022. They suggested areas for cost reduction and ways to increase revenue. They are looking into additional ways to engage public participation, and member involvement. Extensive discussion followed, with additional suggestions. It is a work in process, and they will continue to bring suggestions to the Board Of Directors.

**B.O.D positions** Due to the late hour, motion by Chuck to defer this discussion to the next meeting; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Eric, approved unanimously.

**Next membership meeting:** Wed, March15, 2023

Next Board of Directors meeting Tues. March 21, 2023 will be at NWTC. Meeting adjourned 9:30pm.

Respectfully submitted, Maureen Birk Secretary/newsletter editor.

**Bench Talk is the newsletter of the Northeast Wisconsin Wood Workers Guild, published prior to regularly scheduled monthly meetings.**

**For more information on activities, meetings and members, check out the Guild website at: [newwg.org](http://newwg.org)**

## Advance notice of Mid Wis Chippers May 2023 Carving Show

**MID-WIS. CHIPPERS** Presents its  
Woodcarving Show, Competition & Sale

47th  
Annual

### Artistry In Wood

Sunday, May 7, 2023

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Carved Art for Sale!

Dozens of Woodcarvers,

Pyrographers,

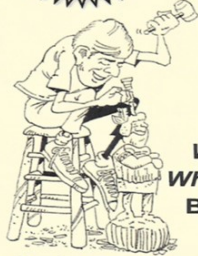
Local Carving Clubs

Wood, Tools, Books & More!

Whittlin' Shack Tools & Supplies

Bird Carvings, Fish Carvings,

Caricatures & More



Bucket Raffle, Tool & Wood Vendors, "How To" Books.  
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Everything you need to get started in Woodcarving!

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**The Oshkosh Convention Center**

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For more show info: [www.midwisconsinchippers.weebly.com](http://www.midwisconsinchippers.weebly.com)  
or contact Paul Wolters (920) 727-2139

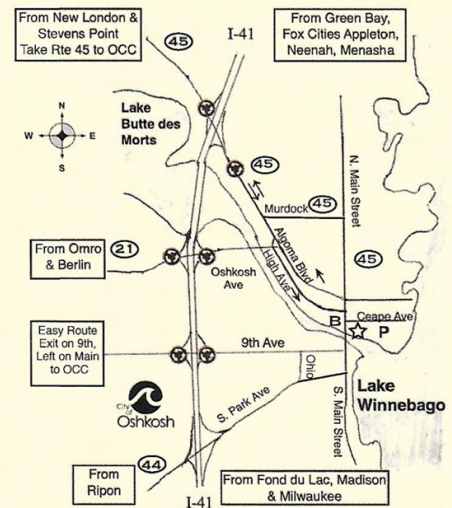
Tool  
Sharpening!

Enjoy the Oldest Annual Woodcarving Show in Wisconsin!

☆ The Oshkosh Convention Center (OCC) P= Free Parking

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(Ask for Special Woodcarving Show Room Rate!)



*The Mid-Wis Chippers have been very supportive of our Guild, and several members have participated in our show. In turn, we are sharing more of their information.*

Our newsletters are posted on our website under the "Newsletters and Forms" tab. Here is the link to our website. <https://midwisconsinchippers.weebly.com>

By the way, of interest for the carvers in your club, we have three carving classes scheduled. All will be held at St. Marks Lutheran Church in Neenah. All taught by excellent experienced teachers.

1. White Tailed Deer Buck (Butternut Cutout included) 6 Day class, April 27-29 & May 11-13 taught by Betsy Popp (\$235 for non Chipper members) 12 people max; 4 spots left.
2. Chip Carving 2 day class May 4 & 5 taught by Jan Jenson ((\$85 for non Chipper members)
3. Loggerhead Shrike (a predatory songbird) August 11-14 taught by Josh Guge (\$400 plus material fee)

Regards,

Cedric Richeson Secretary

#### NORTHEAST WISCONSIN WOODWORKING GUILD

**MEETINGS** (Guests and prospective members welcome)  
3rd Wednesday of each month, Time: 7:00 p.m. Visit our  
web site at: [www.newwg.org](http://www.newwg.org)

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Or any other Board or committee member.

Re: newsletter, Maureen Birk: [birkmr2@gmail.com](mailto:birkmr2@gmail.com)

Re: web site: Matt Hamblin: [froggy6703@gmail.com](mailto:froggy6703@gmail.com)  
920-419-3910

#### Guild Officers

President: Paul Murphy

Vice President, Pat Williams

Treasurer, Chuck Druckrey

Programs/publicity Barry Bender,

#### Committee Chairs & Project Coordinators

Membership, Eric Hansen

Librarian, Pete Schuh

Annual Show, Kristen Nemitz, Randy Hendricks,

Jim Michiels

Newsletter/Secretary Maureen Birk



# NORTHEAST WI Technical College

Park in Lot G and enter door E2 of the Great Lakes Energy Education Center. The meeting will be held in room EE201.

