

BENCHTALK



Northeastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild

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Guild meeting, Wednesday, May 17, 2023; 7 pm at NWTC in Green Bay

May 17th 2023 Chris Shoemaker – Making Clocks with Mechanical Movements



Do you have any questions about that mechanical movement clock you own or would like to own? Our May presenter is Chris Shoemaker, who is a member of our guild. Chris is an accomplished woodworker and former mechanical engineer who is very deeply into mechanical movement type clocks. Chris has his “clock shop” separate and adjacent to his woodworking shop. Chris will talk about building the wooden cases for particular style clocks, making some of the parts, and simple maintenance for keeping that heirloom running smoothly. He will also explain the pros and cons of electronic movements compared to mechanical movements. Chris has been working with clocks for better than 40 years.



Meetings at NWTC, in Room EE201, of the Great Lakes Energy Ed. Center. Use parking lot G, entrance door E2. See map included with newsletter.

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

June 21st – Woodworkers Forum See details in article below.

July 19th – Ken Quade – Repairing and restoring worn and damaged furniture

August ? - Northeast Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild annual picnic. Usually held at DeBroux Park in Bellevue. Details to be determined.

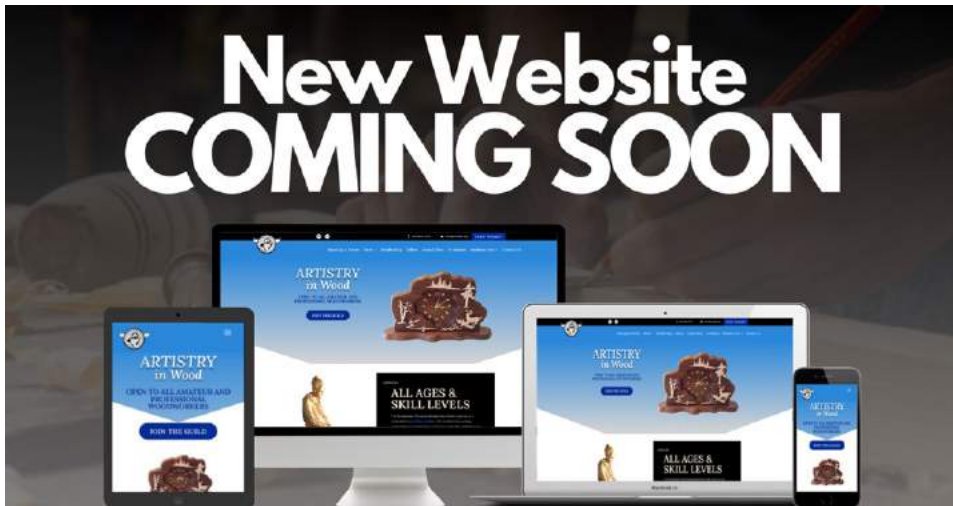
June’s meeting will be a “Woodworkers Forum”. This is a meeting that we try to have annually where attending members can share ideas, ask questions, or do show and tell on jigs, fixtures or projects they have made or are currently working on.

If you would like to bring up a certain topic or have an inquiry on a particular thing such as finishing for example, email Barry Bender at: 2barryand2ellen@gmail.com . This way we can make sure your matter is addressed and it helps organize the June meeting. We are looking forward to seeing what our members have to offer.

Web site and Media

Matt Hamblin our web designer, has spent several months redesigning our web site. It will be ready to go live soon, and members will receive a notice when it is ready. The old site will be deactivated at that time. Look for this image on your devices.

In compliance with standards, we will also be getting consent from members and the public, to use their images. New members will sign a consent form when joining. Ongoing members will be contacted to complete the form. This is for images on the web site, on Flickr and in the newsletter.



May Membership Update

We welcome back these returning members:

Earl Beyer of Green Bay

Bob Welhouse of Appleton

As of May 8, we have 129 active members.

On Saturday, July 29, the Guild will hold another membership event at the Woodcraft store in Appleton. Woodcraft is holding their annual Family Day. The Guild has been 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, was at our April meeting to talk about Family Day and invite all members to help with demos and building simple projects with attendees.

We will discuss this opportunity again at the May meeting next week.

The last event like this was a huge win for our Guild. Nine new members joined at that event. The Guild thanks Wes and the Woodcraft team for promoting the Guild and giving us this opportunity.

Eric Hansen W6994 Angel Hill Drive Greenville, WI 54942

NEWWG BOD Meeting April 24, 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. Membership, Eric Hansen Show Committee-Randy Hendricks. Unable to attend, Past Pres./Library Pete Schuh,

Minutes from last meeting: Move to accept: Barry 2nd: Chuck. Approval unanimous.

Secretary/Newsletter: With meeting on May 17, articles will be due Mon 5/8. Non-digital memberships now at 4. Instead of going to a printing retailer, the editor will print on home computer and keep track of the number of pages printed, for later reimbursement.

Library No report

Treasurer's report: Financial Activity (3/22/23 – 4/23/23)

Balance as of 4/23/23 - \$3,245.25

Income:	Expenses:
\$ 1.37 - Interest income	\$ 7.90 Newsletter expenses
\$ 15.00– Membership dues	Total -\$7.90
Total \$16.37	

Respectfully Submitted, Chuck Druckrey – Treasurer

Membership: Currently we have 128 paid members. 13 members have signed up to help at the July 29th family event at Woodcraft, with several demonstrations scheduled.

Website: Matt has the new web site done, and ready to go live soon. BOD members will be notified when that happens. There will be a few days for review, comments, corrections, before it goes live to the membership and public.

Regarding media consent forms: Matt provided a list of members who have images on the web site or on Flickr. The process has begun to get the consent forms signed. This will be included on new membership forms as well.

Also, with the launch of the new web site, through 10/31/23, there will be a special new member \$5 discount incentive, for the first year of membership.

Programs:

May 17th. Chris Shoemaker – Making Clocks with Mechanical Movements

June 21st Woodworkers Forum-Attending members discuss challenges, solutions, project sources

July 19th Member Ken Quade Repairing and restoring worn and damaged furniture.

August Annual picnic Details to be arranged

Show 2023: Show Committee: Randy presented the forms, as developed so far, for discussion.. Fees for exhibitors, vendors discussed.

B.O.D positions Chuck presented typed updates of the constitutions changes discussed at the last BOD meeting. Discussion followed, with further edits. The bylaws and position responsibilities will be discussed at the next meeting

Next membership meeting: Wed, May 17, 2023

Next Board of Directors meeting Tues. May 23, 2023 will be at NWTC.

Meeting adjournment at 9 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Maureen Birk Secretary/newsletter editor.

Library

The library will be available at the meeting.

*** If you have any checked out materials, please bring them back.***

Thank You!



April Program Recap

Our presenter, Shayne Thorsen, shared his expertise on laser burning and engraving.

He told how he started with a small project and over time progressed to a full time business. He does engraving on clocks, signs, game boards of various kinds, as well as “non-flat” objects such as mugs.

He explained the most common types of laser (CO2, fiber, crystal and diode.) Their primary uses, costs, advantages and disadvantages. He identified diode as the most affordable and popular for woodworkers. Also explained the software needed to run the laser, safety concerns include the need for goggles, and precautions due to fume production.

The woods he recommends for laser engraving are harder woods, like cherry, alder, hard maple. Different colors of wood highlight different aspects of the engraving process.

Shayne’s business contact is www.yourhouseholdcreations.com

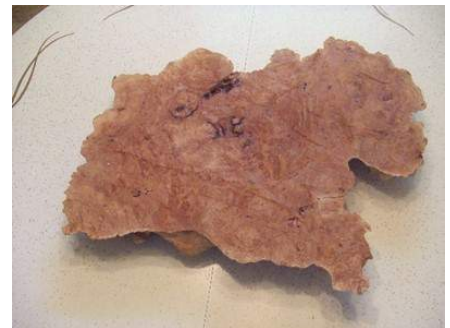
If you would like to review the program and get all the details, the recorded version is in the Guild library, available at meetings.



Maple Slabs for Sale

Jim Monks, a woodworker from Waupaca, has a few large maple burl slabs available for sale. Below are two pictures of one of his slabs. This particular one is about 22 inches long X 16 inches wide X 2 inches thick. He has other pieces available that are up to 4 times as large as the one pictured.

If interested, you can contact Jim Monks at 651-999-9296.



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

How to Get Involved: For inquiries regarding joining The Northeastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild, contact:
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920-419-3910

Guild Officers

President: Paul Murphy

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Treasurer, Chuck Druckrey

Programs/publicity Barry Bender,

Committee Chairs & Project Coordinators

Membership, Eric Hansen

Librarian, Pete Schuh

Annual Show, Randy Hendricks, Jim Michiels

Newsletter/Secretary Maureen Birk

Web Site, Matt Hamblin

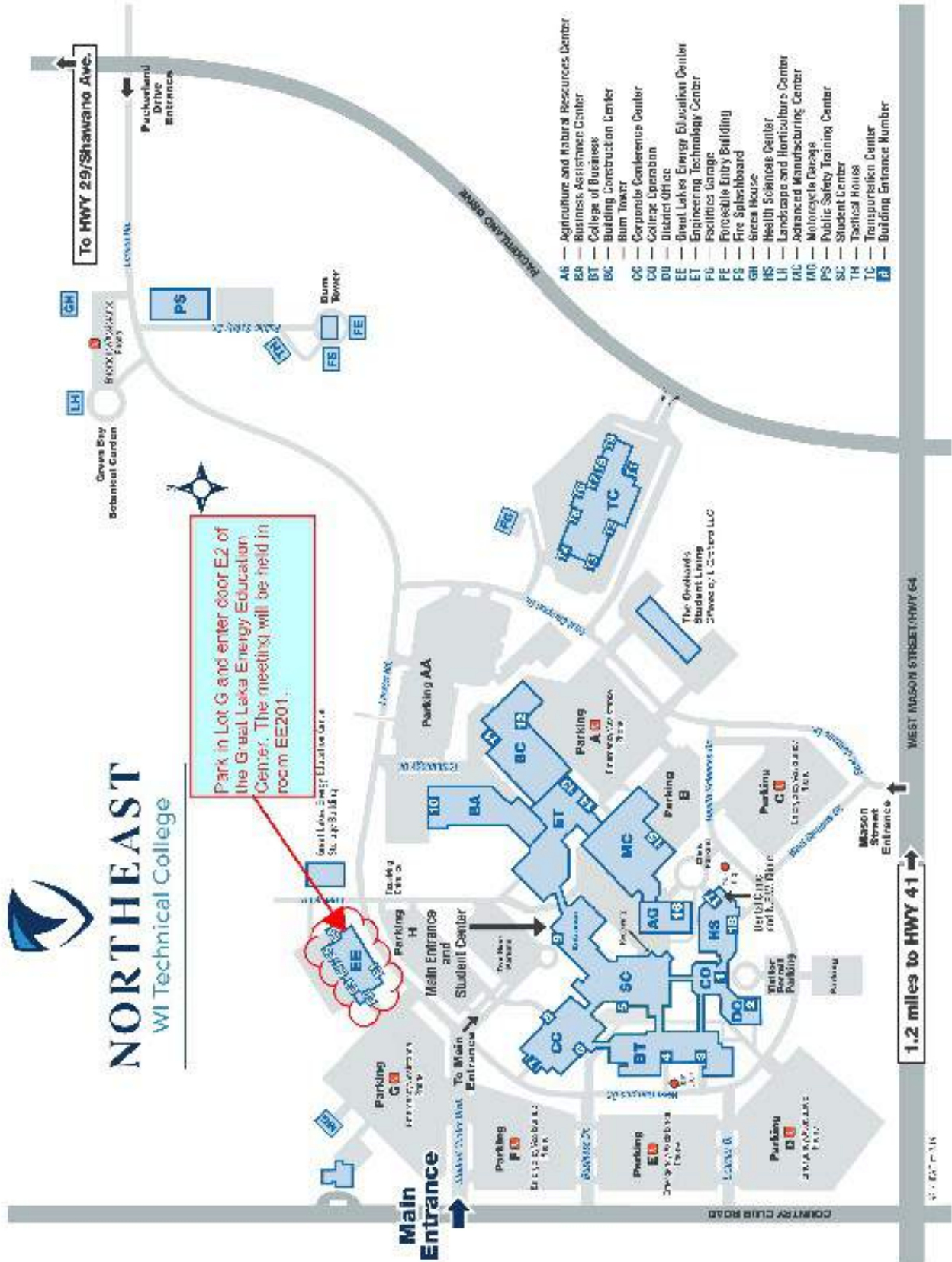
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For more information on activities, meetings and members, check out the Guild website at: newwg.org



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.



- AG — Agriculture and Natural Resources Center
- BA — Business Assistance Center
- BT — College of Business
- BC — Building Construction Center
- BU — Burn Tower
- CC — Corporate Conference Center
- CO — College of Cosmetology
- CU — Culinary Office
- EE — Great Lakes Energy Education Center
- ET — Engineering Technology Center
- FE — Facilities Management
- FE — Fire Safety Building
- FS — Fire Substation
- GH — Green House
- HS — Health Sciences Center
- LH — Landscape and Horticulture Center
- MC — Advanced Manufacturing Center
- MO — Motor Vehicle Garage
- PS — Public Safety Training Center
- SC — Student Center
- TH — Technical House
- TC — Transportation Center
- E — Building Entrance Number