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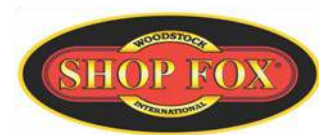
What you should know before buying woodworking products, With Merl Stingle

As the owner and manager of Woodworker's Depot in Green Bay for over 20 years, Merl has a unique insight into the products he sells. Probably some of the most valuable information he possesses is customer feedback. (what works, what doesn't work, what holds up, what doesn't etc etc.)

Merl will discuss his experience with the many products he sells (or used to sell!)

A partial list of subjects which will be covered: new vs. used, tool brands, Warranty, reliability, parts, machine weight, horsepower, purchasing from brick and mortar stores vs. online, the latest news in woodworking machines.

A sampling of the machinery which will be covered : Band saws, CNC routers, Dust Collectors and many



***** CHANGES TO MEETING DAY AND LOCATION*** MEETINGS ARE NOW ON THE 3RD WEDNESDAYS of the month AT SOUTHWEST H.S, (the location of the Spring Show) See maps pg. 5**

UPCOMING PROGRAMS: all 7pm, at Green Bay Southwest High School

May 17: Sean Bennett from Bennett Hardwoods: Hardwood Grading

June 21: Bob Beaupre, NEWWG member: Segmented Turning

July 19: Topic to be determined

Aug: Picnic (details to be determined)

Sept 20: Gary Emerich and Al Herwig, NEWWG members: Making an "illusionist heart"

Follow up to 2017 Spring Show and Sale

They say it takes a village to raise a child, the same can be said for a successful show. Thanks to all of the member involvement, this year's show was a great success. We added 24 new members, and ticket sales were \$1000 more than last year.

Don Foss co-editor of "Rip-Saw" a monthly news letter published by Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild stopped by the show. He said he was impressed by the quality and variety of work. Also he thought the willingness of the members to share and friendly atmosphere was exceptional. He asked that next year we sent him a copy of our show flyer a month or so ahead of time, he will include it in their news letter.

I would like to thank Steve Lockhart for being the show chairman and keeping everything moving forward. Ted Zabel did a great job getting the flyers and tickets printed. He perforated and stapled all of the ticket packets and got them distributed. He also mailed to those that didn't pick theirs up. Ted also did most of the advertising in papers and on line. Barry Bender did some air time with Waupaca radio station WDUX. The TV stations channels 2,5 and 26 gave us great coverage as well.

Kathy Kuritz took care of getting the raffle license, reserving the school and handling all of the finances. Cleve Selissen and Mike Dahlke were the greeters, magazine distribution, ordering the tables and set-up along with 101 other things where ever help was needed. The tool crib had a lot of participation, 220 items. Thanks Tom Carlson for your help and direction.. Regan Buchholz did a superlative job in helping with the sales. Bob Fruzen coordinated the food and beverage station. Rob Martens made the name tags, posters for the easels and coordinated the table layout. Bill Dishmaker provided security and table relief so we could take a break and he helped sell tickets.

We also had a great group working the ticket sales, Steve and Betty Lockhart, Don Berken and Mary, Jane Alesh, Jack Pasterski and Bob Rukamp. Prize drawing helpers were Cleve Selissen, Trudi and Amanda Ferrier. Gerald Jensen did the announcements reminding people to buy raffle tickets. A special thanks for the people that stayed around and helped deliver the prizes after the show.

We would not have a show if our members didn't have tables and display their talents with a friendly attitude and willingness to share. We had over 70 prizes in the raffle, thanks to members being willing to support the show.

Thank you to everyone involved in making the show a success through helping out or attending and contacting or bringing friends. Sorry if I missed anyone.

Pete Schuh, President



MEMBER NEWS & NOTES

Best of Show

Congratulations to one of our members. Dan Wieske, received "Best of Show" at Arti-Grow, held on March 4th & 5th 2017 at Shopko Hall. Dan's specialties include hand carved wooden utensils, cutting boards, milk painted band saw boxes and several other works of art. Good job, Dan!



Endowments to the Guild

A special "THANK YOU" to two members for their most generous endowments to the North Eastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild Corp. One was for \$2000.00 and another for \$300.00. This will help keep our membership cost down and allow us to bring in a variety of speakers.

For Sale by member

Penn State Industries made a mistake on my order and sent me a Bronze Coffee Grinder kit instead of a pepper mill. Charged me \$17.50. Blamed me for giving them the wrong catalog number, but I didn't. Now they want me to send it back to them at my cost. I refuse, but you can make out on their mistake and my irritation with them. I'll gladly sell Catalog Item PKGRIND, still in the original package, to you for \$10.00. Call me, Dan Alesch, at 468-0132 or email me at djalesch@gmail.com if you wish to purchase it.

Wood for Sale From: Bruce Peters <bpeters6@new.rr.com>

A friend of mine has rough cut stock of 1 1/2" to 2 1/2" thick Honduras mahogany in various lengths and widths. John lives in Marinette and his cell phone # is 715-587-8616. He is asking \$10.00/bf but is negotiable depending on size and quantity. I have attached a picture of his stockpile that may be somewhat dated since a few of the pieces may have been sold. I have used several pieces of his stock and it is excellent.



Scrap wood

Might anyone in the group have a use for some 10 -12/4 hard maple cut offs? Mostly end pieces that are too small for me to make use of, might be good for carving, turning, etc... If someone wanted to give me roughly what I paid for them I could save them and sell them. Otherwise they go in the wood stove. Might have some white ash scraps too.

Cheers David <dsmamllc@yahoo.com>

Guild Treasurer Needed

Are you interested in getting more active with the Guild? We can use your help, as the treasurer position is opening up. Duties, briefly, are to manage all aspects of the Guild's finances. These include paying guild-related bills, maintaining records of all payments and receipts and providing the Board of Directors a written report at each monthly Directors meeting. Familiarity with Quicken and Excel is helpful. Current treasurer (Kathy Kuritz) will help you get started. Contact any board member if you are interested.



APRIL MEMBERSHIP REPORT by Fred Juengst

The promotion of the Guild really paid off this year. At the spring show we signed up 27 new woodworkers as members plus two more joined through the mail. We now have 162 paid members plus two trial members. I dropped no one and will send out 6 postcard this month.

As a reminder, we have changed our membership renewal process. When your renewal date comes up at the end of the month, your name will appear in the next month Bench Talk Membership report. Please renew at that time or at the next meeting. If you do not respond, you will receive a postcard reminding you to pay your dues. If no response is received from the postcard reminder by the end of the month, your name is removed from the active membership list. For this month we have 5 memberships overdue.

Tom Anderson

Barry Bender

Regan Buchholz

Patrick Pozarski

Ken Bahr

Please pay your dues as soon as possible.

I have excluded the 24 members due in April in the hope they will remember signing up at a show so April is their due date. Last year this helped reduce the number of names needing reminder cards.

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 (2 name tags).

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 May 5 2017.

**NORTHEAST WISCONSIN WOODWORKING GUILD
MEETINGS (Guests and prospective members welcome)**

3rd Wednesday of each month, unless specified otherwise.

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Where: Southwest High School Rm. 4225

For detailed directions and map,

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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Or any other Board or committee member.

Regarding this newsletter, or the web page, contact:

Maureen Birk: 920-468-7252 birkmr@yahoo.com

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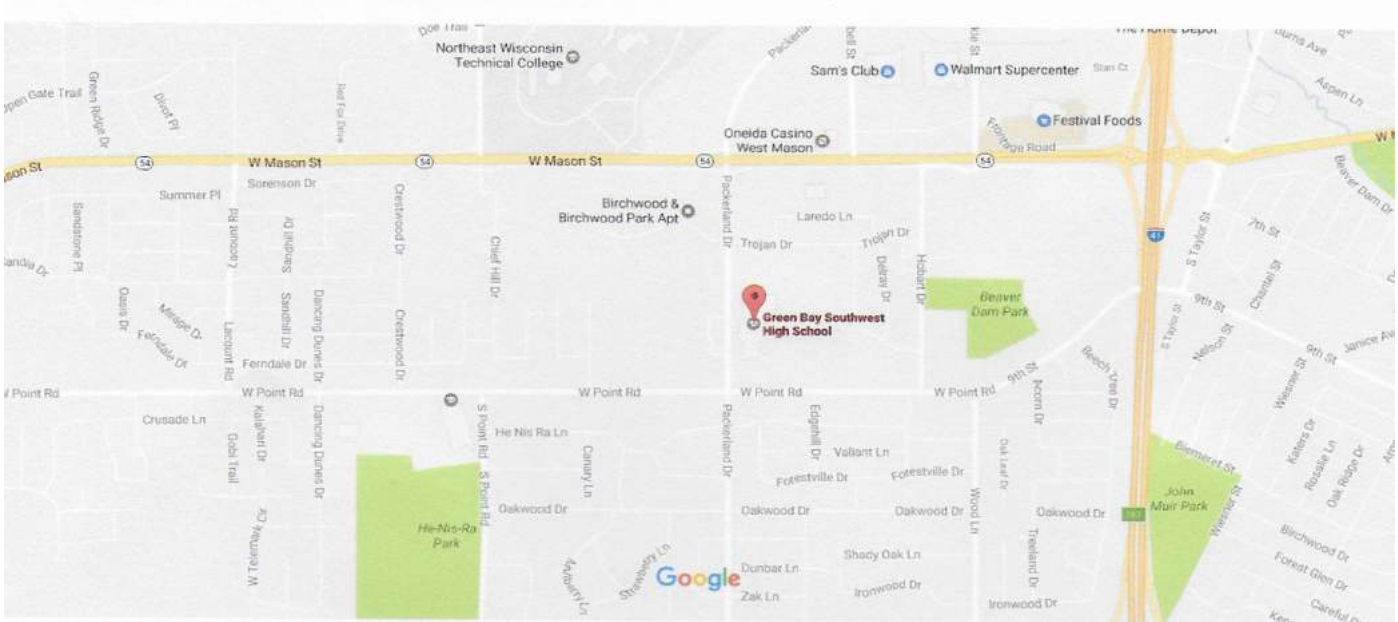
Membership, Fred Juengst

Special Events, Dan Alesch

Spring Show, Steve Lockhart

Web Site & Newsletter, Maureen Birk

New meeting location: Green Bay Southwest High School 1331 Packerland Dr.



Watch for signs directing you to NEWWG meeting, 2nd floor study hall Rm 4225

