

BENCHTALK



Northeastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild

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Guild meeting, Wednesday, June 21, 2023; 7 pm at NWTC in Green Bay

Our June meeting is our annual "**Woodworkers Forum**". This meeting is a mixed bag of topics for discussion by attending members. Bring your "Show and Tell" items. This includes projects completed, shop made jigs, fixtures, and custom made tools. Members can also bring up questions about supply sources, project dilemmas, and so forth. Attending members can offer solutions. This is an open discussion meeting for all who attend. It is the only such type of meeting during the year we have dedicated for discussion about woodworking for the entire meeting. So, if you have questions about what is a good finish for black walnut, what glue to use, or whatever dilemma you may have, our members may be able to help. If anyone would like to reserve a topic to talk about, or present a show and tell item, please attend. If you have a topic that may take a bit of time, contact Barry at: 2barryand2ellen@gmail.com to give a heads up, and he will get it on the agenda.



If anyone would like to show pictures on the big screen at the meeting, they are welcome to do so. They can use their own laptop and hook it up to the HDMI port OR email the pictures to Barry and he will put it on his laptop.



Guild elections this month

The Guild holds elections each year at the June meeting, for members of the Board of Directors. This board then elects 4 officers. President, Vice president, Secretary, Treasurer

Other board members fill positions/committees including: membership, programs, newsletter, library, website, event facilitator, with some wearing more than 1 hat.

New ideas, perspectives and energy are essential and welcome.

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.

July 19th- Ken Quade - Restoring and repairing worn and damaged furniture

August 13th - Annual Summer Picnic at DeBroux Park in Bellevue

September 20th - Planning for our 40th Annual Show which will be on November 11th and 12th

October 18th - Mark Hawkins - Talks about his youth woodworking program, "All Hands On Deck"

November 11th and 12th - Annual Woodworking Show at Denmark High School

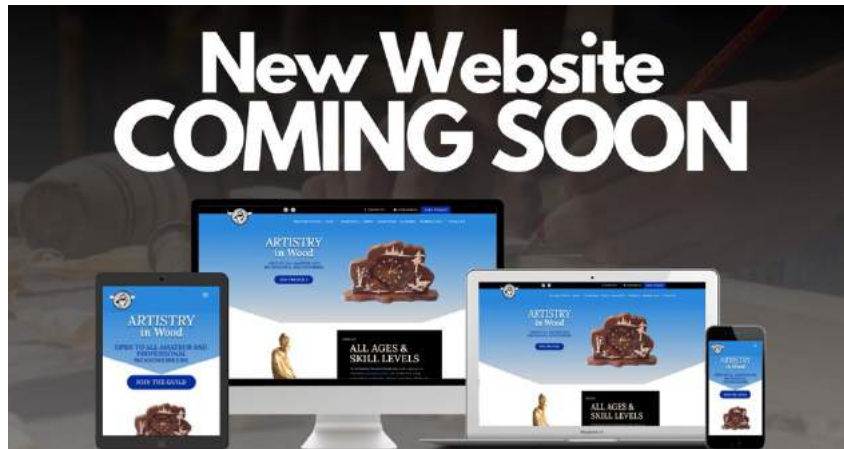
December 9th? Guild Christmas Party - Held at UWGB Ecumenical Center

January 17th Annette Aubinger - Wood Carving - a life altering therapy

Web site and Media

Matt Hamblin our web designer, has spent several months redesigning our web site. It will be ready to go live this month (6/21) 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.



June Membership Update

As of June 12, we have 130 active members. There are no new members this month.

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. The event runs from 10am-4pm. Members are needed throughout this time though you are not required to attend for the entire time.

We will discuss this opportunity in further detail at next week's meeting. About a dozen members have said they are interested in helping. Specifically, it would help if you could:

Bring samples of your woodworking to show attendees,

Demo a tool or technique for people to watch,

Provide hands on help with kids building a simple tool box.

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 952-567-4625 ericjonhansen@yahoo.com

NEWWG BOD Meeting May 23, 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, Past Pres./Library Pete Schuh, Secretary /Newsletter Maureen Birk, , Web Site, Matt Hamblin. Show Committee-Randy Hendricks. Unable to attend, Treasurer Chuck Druckrey, Membership, Eric Hansen

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

Secretary/Newsletter: With meeting on June 21, articles will be due Mon 6/12. Non-digital memberships now at 4.

Library No report

Treasurer's report: Financial Activity (4/23/23 – 5/22/23)

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

Income:	Expenses:
\$ 1.24 - Interest income	\$ 3.95 Newsletter expenses
\$ 15.00 bottled water sales	\$158.00 April presenter fee
\$ 20.00– Membership dues	Total (-161.95)
Total \$36.24	

Respectfully Submitted, Chuck Druckrey – Treasurer

Membership: One new member at April meeting- 129 total.

Website: Matt has the new web site ready. The June newsletter will contain the “coming soon” announcement. On June 14, the new site will be available to BOD members for review/testing. The switch over will be announced at the general meeting on 6/21, along with an email notice to members.

Programs:

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

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

August 13, Sunday Annual picnic @ DeBroux park. Further Details to be arranged

Sept 20 Show planning meeting

Oct. 18 Mark Hawkins with his organization “All Hands on Deck”

Nov no regular meeting due to the Annual Show 11/11 , 11/12.

Dec annual Christmas party, details pending

Show 2023: Continuing discussion on fees, events and publicity. The committee has set up a Facebook page that will allow users to share information. A group rate for a block of rooms for the weekend has been set up the Holiday Inn Express in Green Bay.

With the Facebook page, exhibitors will be able to show their work ahead of time. They can send photos to Matt, with whatever information they want to share: name, wood , process etc.

URGENT: SPONSORS NEEDED members need to start getting sponsors for the show. Sponsors are businesses that donate \$100 or more. Their donations will be publicized. Donations of lesser amounts are also welcome.

B.O.D positions Chuck sent BOD members the revisions from last meeting. These were discussed line by line, and further adjustments agreed upon. Pat will meet with Chuck to review these. Once completed, the amended document will be presented to the membership for approval .

Elections to BOD will be held at June meeting. Maureen will send out email to members asking for nominations or volunteers for any of the current positions, as well as a new “event facilitator” position.

Next membership meeting: Wed, June 21, 2023.

Next Board of Directors meeting Tues. June 27, 2023 will be at NWTC.

Meeting adjournment motion by Barry, 2nd by Pete. Adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Maureen Birk Secretary/newsletter editor.

May Program Recap

The May presentation was by Chris Shoemaker, a woodworker, member of our Guild, and a former mechanical engineer, with his own clock business. Chris has taken multiple courses/classes in the U.S. and Britain. He has several certifications and in his work emphasizes clocks with mechanical movements.

He gave an extensive presentation on clocks and clock making, providing a history of clocks from the 17th century to modern times, detailing the evolution of mechanisms and case styles.

He defined terms such as:

Horology—the science of time measurement and of time-keeping mechanisms

Chronometry—electrical time keeping

Metrology—metering and instrumentation.

In addition to photographic illustrations, he brought examples of mechanical movements, and several of his complete clocks.

He provided pointers on clock construction, including

-the need to plan ahead so the case design accommodates all the parts of the movement

-how factors such as temp, humidity and atmospheric pressure affect the speed of pendulum movement, and thus accuracy of time keeping.

Chris also provided resources for:

--the purchase of a variety of mechanisms, and their comparative features.

--resources for case design

--Also appropriate woods and finishes.

One key recommendation, repeated several times can be summarized as “prices vary, compare, shop around”

Chris provided a wealth of information, too much to do more than summarize here. For the entire program, you can check out the video at the NEWW Guild library at meetings.

You can also contact Chris at clock.werks@yahoo.com



On the Move (a note from Pete Schuh)

Dan and Jane Alesch were extremely happy that guild members were able to help them by moving the lumber from several locations to the front yard. It took us several hours and the outside stairs seemed to get longer toward the end.

Special thanks to Wade Egan, Jim Michiels, Barry Bender, Rick Johnson and Greg Schuh.

The Alesch's did a lot for the guild over the years and it was nice to help them out.



Library

The library will be available at the meeting.

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

Thank You!



A note from Rick Brunner

Calling All Guild Members,

A very unique opportunity to help showcase the Woodworking show is happening this year. Rick's Toybox, Inc. will be shipping handcrafted toy cars, along with some other items, to Thailand on Nov. 29 with Central Church, which is partnering with Wisconsin Missionaries Brandon, Rachel, Lena, Jori, and Leo Powell.

This is where you the members can get involved. I need help this summer making wooden toy cars in my shop to keep up with the demand we are experiencing. In return for your help, you the member(s) will be recognized at the show at the booth where these toys will be displayed. The Guild, in their advertising of the show, can highlight how it's involved in the community with other non-profits, which is always good PR and will help in the future to receive sponsorships, possible grant monies, and recruit new members.

Along with this, Rick's Toybox Inc. would have a feature booth at the show, and the group that is going to Thailand will be part of the booth. The reason for this is that it would be a new type of draw to the event - something that other events don't offer. Having a little "uniqueness" like this at the show could be a good attention getter for the general attendance and might even help draw "Free" attention from the media.

Rick's Toybox, Inc.'s shop is located at 709 S. Oneida Street, Suite #5, Green Bay. Phone / Text 920-360-8697, Hours M-F, 8AM-4PM. Please contact me the day before coming to the shop.

Let's not have a short list of names at the display booth at the show by not getting involved and giving a bad impression of the Guild at the show.

Rick Brunner
President / Treasurer
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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: Paul Murphy: paulmurphywood@gmail.com 920-604-0152

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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, 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.

