

BENCHTALK



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May Program: Curt Andersen— All About Drawers

By: Steve Lockhart

Curt Andersen has been a member of the Guild since around 1982. He is currently a Master Cabinetmaker, an instructor of cabinetmaking and blueprint reading at NWTC, a Navy veteran, and has been married for almost 44 years to his wife, Linda.

Curt says "I will dazzle the group with the original meaning of "drawer.""

Curt will explain the history of drawers and various ways to build them. He will talk about different drawer materials, drawer joints, like the butt joint, the French dovetail, regular dovetails, and a "drawer joint". He will also demonstrate the use of drawer slides, the best way to square - up drawers, and the commercial way to attach drawer fronts to a box drawer."



Upcoming Events

Upcoming program events include the following:

- ◇ May 16, 2014: Curt Andersen, Guild member, woodworker, teacher
- ◇ June 20, 2014: Kevin Seigworth, Sam Maloof-style rocking chair
- ◇ July 18, 2014: To Be Determined
- ◇ August XX, 2014: Summer Picnic

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Librarian's Report

Submitted By: Pete Schuh

Two new DVD additions to the library include:

- Woodsmith Shop Notes. Issues 1-126, 1992-2012
- Woodsmith back issue library magazines 1979—2012

Reminder: Please return books and other media timely so other members can enjoy them.

Special May Program Raffle

Submitted by: Tom and Lee Carlson

One of our Guild members is paying it forward !!

A few years back, Bill Dishmaker won a Porter Cable Model 333 Random Orbital Sander with carry case. However, he already had an orbital sander and didn't need two. This sander is still in the original, unopened box.

Bill has donated this unused, brand new orbital sander to the Guild so it can be raffled off with proceeds staying with the Guild to offset annual spring show expenses.

Separate raffle tickets for the sander will be sold to members who attend the May program. Tickets will be \$5.00 each. Special thanks to Bill for your generous gift.



Social Networking

A new site has been added to Facebook !!!

For those of you who enjoy Facebook, here's a casual way to chat with fellow woodworkers. We hope to get a number of Guild members to join and enjoy the site. Search Northeasternwisconsin WoodworkersGuild within Facebook and make a Friend Request.

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100008189946787>

Seeking Exhibitors for Woodcarver/craft Show

By: Paula Martens

The Guild received an e-mail via the Guild's web site wanting to let members of our guild know that the Birchwood Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Woodcarver/Woodcrafter show on August 9th and is seeking exhibitors. If any members are interested in exhibiting/selling their craft, the show will run from 10 am—4 pm. There is no cost to the exhibitors.

The registration form can be found at www.thehungryminnow.com. The form contains the set-up times, etc. If you have any questions please contact either Wes Hilligoss (217-553-1287) or Steve Bethke (612-791-7615).

Pen Blank to Prize

Submitted by: Tom and Lee Carlson

The Guild has benefited from yet another donation.

Jason Swanson, who previously had presented a program to the Guild, had also donated a hard maple/cherry/walnut pen blank to the Guild.

To ensure the Guild itself benefited from this donation, Guild member Tom Carlson turned a pen from the blank and then raffled it off during one of the recent meetings.

Whoever won this baby sure got a piece of art!!



Christmas Party

By: Paula Martens



Yes, I know—it's only May and we are all excited for summer to begin, for flowers to start blooming, and for Weber grills to start char-broiling a variety of picnic standards. But we also need to plan ahead. We have set the date of December 6, 2014, for our Guild Christmas party and have officially reserved the room. However, we are in need of one or two people to organize (co-chair) this years party. If interested, or if just curious what would be expected of a chairperson(s), just let me know and I can share with you what past chairpersons have done.

Thanks, Paula

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Board of Directors Meeting

Date: April 22, 2014

Present: Steve Lockhart, Bob Welhouse, Rob & Paula Martens, Ted Zabel, Pete Schuh, Lyle Martens, Fred Juengst, Dan & Jane Alesch, Tom & Lee Carlson, Ted Zabel

Absent: Andrew Detloff, Pete Schuh

•**Last month's meeting minutes:** Approved

•**Treasurer's Report:** Current balance \$9208.66; Last year: \$8326.63. The Spring Show raffle net revenue: \$1775.99.

•**Membership Report:**

- 10 new members signed up at the show, plus 3 more afterwards.
- Policy on overdue membership was reiterated as 3 month overdue gets reminder card. If no response, the member is dropped.

•**Programs:**

- April 2014— Bill Robillard, Encore Restorations presentation was very well received but a sound amplification issue was discussed for future presentations.
- May 2014— Curt Anderson, building drawers
- June 2014—Kevin Seigworth, Sam Maloof-style rockers
- August 17, 2014— TENTATIVE date for summer picnic.

•**Public Relations / Community Service**

- Ted Zabel is promoting monthly meetings in community calendars and local newsletters
- Discussions on compiling a resume to show the guild's positive works in the community.

•**Editors Report—**

- Articles are due by noon, May 4, 2014.
- Discussion of member requests for advertising in the newsletter and web site.

•**Librarian report—** 2 new books added . See Librarian's report article.

•**WebSite Report—** New Facebook presence on the internet. Refer to Social Networking article for details.

•**Special Activities—**a) Results of Spring Show, b) Job Duties list, and c) Christmas party

•**Next board meeting:** May 20, 2014 at Fred Juengst home.

Program Review: Glues and Adhesives

By: Steve Lockhart

Bill Robillard is an expert furniture restorer who has even been involved in restoring some historic cabinetry in the United States Senate.

Bill's perspective about glues and adhesives takes on significant bias towards the ability to stand the test of (long) time as well as being capable of being disassembled for repair.

That said, here are some points Bill made.

Bill defines an adhesive as a man made glue (a natural product).

Most glues are stronger than the wood so the selection criteria shouldn't be based on glue strength but other properties.

A list of common glues used in woodworking and their primary properties:

- Hide glue (liquid): Reversible with heat
- Hide glue (ground): Must be mixed with water and heated, also reversible with heat
- PVA (white and yellow): Relatively quick to set. Clean up with water
- Epoxy: Mixed in two parts, cures by chemical reaction, fills gaps and is waterproof and has a longer open time
- Polyurethane (Gorilla glue): Cures by absorbing water. Gap filling, waterproof, has a longer open time

Bill stated that one disadvantage of polyurethane glue is that if joints are re-glued with hide glues, the polyurethane glue must be completely removed or the hide will not stick.

Another general rule: Most products have a shelf life of approx. one year so even if the product seems ok, it probably has reduced strength if it is over a year old.

For Sale

Submitted by: Dan Alesch

Dan has the following items for sale:

- Full size General 1600 wood lathe, excellent condition, \$450
- Jet mini-lathe in darn good condition, \$125

If interested, contact him at 920-468-0132 or djalesch@gmail.com.

Advertising

By: Paula Martens

Recently I was approached by a Guild member inquiring about advertising in the newsletter. In order to ensure a consistent policy is followed, this topic was discussed at the April Board Meeting to: a) confirm advertising potential, and b) gain an understanding of what rules, if any, were to be applied to newsletter advertising. In general, the following rules were agreed to:

- Members only can advertise in the newsletter
- Advertising in the newsletter is considered a brief article for any of the following scenarios:
 - **Sell a particular item (For Sale):** Examples:
 - “I have a 2010 Jet Lathe for sale”.
 - “I have 500 board feet of curly maple for sale. If interested, call XXXXX”.
 - **Buy a certain item (Want to Buy):** Examples:
 - “Does anyone have a router they are looking to sell?”
 - **Estate Sale to sell tools or lumber of general interest to woodworkers:** Example:
 - An estate sale will take place <insert date> and will include lots of power tools, hand tools, lumber, etc,
- Classes, Seminars, Demonstrations: Example:
 - “There will be a demonstration of ‘Ball and Claw’ carving at the technical college for anyone who is interested”.
 - “A class/demonstration for making dove tails will take place at <insert location/time>“

Advertising does not include a repeating entry in the newsletter ,or a defined space, for images of business cards, repeating ads, etc.

Any member who wishes to include a brief entry in the newsletter can submit the information to me and I’ll be happy to include it. Submit to: Paula Martens at robertpaulamart@centurytel.net or call me at 920.845.9395.

Membership Report

By: Fred Juengst

The show increased our membership and we now have two more woodworkers joining our group. We extend a warm welcome to Gerald Keyser and Craig Wendt. Your name tags may be at the May meeting but surely by our June meeting. I dropped two former members from our roster and one resigned. We now have a total of 174 members in good standing.

Some of you have asked how you know if you are a current member. If you paid your dues and receive Bench Talk by e-mail or regular mail, you are a member in good standing. Long ago we had membership cards that were sent to members every year. The fancy card had the expiration date and signature of the Guild President on it. It was a lot of work for the Membership Chair and it was dropped because no one volunteered to do the work. If you have strong feelings about a membership card or some other proof of membership and are willing to do the work involved, give me a call. I am sure the Guild Board would reconsider your idea of membership proof.

If you joined the Guild at our Spring Show, please pay your dues soon. We have a large number of April renewals and I would much appreciate if you would pay your dues before I send out a large volume of reminder postcards.

If you have any questions about membership, name tags, think I made a mistake, or if you did not get your Bench Talk, let me know by sending me an e-mail at mdjuengst@aol.com, or call me at 920-469-1919. If you change your home or e-mail address, please let me know.

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).

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

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Spring Show, Jane Alesch

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