

# BENCHTALK



## Northeastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild

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Guild meeting, Wednesday, October 18, 2023; 7 pm at Hands on Deck in Green Bay

### \*\*\*\* ONE TIME MEETING LOCATION CHANGE \*\*\*\*

*Hands On Deck is Green Bay's only wood-working school for all ages, and Mark Hawkins is the Executive Director, veteran wood worker and instructor. He will be speaking about the growth of Hands On Deck since the pandemic, current classes, and plans for growing into a larger space located in the adjacent warehouse.*

*Hands On Deck was formed in 2016 with a handful of board members for the purpose of teaching youth traditional wooden boat building with non-electric hand tools. We packed out a small room on the third floor of the downtown public library to build our first boat on Monday evenings. Eventually cedar shavings were found in every nook and cranny of the library, and we needed to find a new home. We have grown out of two locations, built (and restored) over two hundred and fifty feet of boats, given free boat rides to thousands, and teach dozens of students wood working and boat building weekly.*

*Enter South Bay Marina and Park On The North and West Side of the Warehouse On Your Right. Cocktails and Drinks will be available at Paradise North (adjacent establishment) starting at 4pm and throughout the meeting for \$6 per.*



### Call for bucket raffle items-

The items in the bucket raffle at the Annual Show are a huge draw for the public. If you have an item to donate, could you bring it to the Oct. 18 meeting? Donations will still be accepted during the show set up Fri night , and even Sat am. But the more we have ahead of time, the smoother things will go. There will be a table set up at the meeting for donated items.

### Show Prep Update:

This is it, everyone! October! The final steps for getting the show organized. At the September the committee presented the updated floor plan, outlined progress to date re: donors and exhibitors, and need for volunteers. If you are considering having a space to show your work . there is still table/exhibit space available. And there are still time slots needing volunteers for both days of the Show. Randy and Jim will review these needs at the meeting also.

### Additional directions to October 18 Program location

"Hands On Deck" is located at 101 Bay Beach Road in Green Bay. Take Highway 43 to Webster Ave. Take Webster Ave north (toward Bay Beach Amusement Park) to Bay Beach Road. Take a left to Bay Beach Road and go west about a mile until you are near the end of Bay Beach Road. At the end of Bay Beach Road is a large white building on your right. You will see a large sign on your right with the names of a few businesses. One of which is "Hands On Deck". Take a right at the sign and go to the other side of the building where you will see the Paradise North Microbrewery. Hands on Deck is located next to it.

### **Upcoming meetings**

**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.**

**November 11<sup>th</sup>** and 12<sup>th</sup> - Annual Woodworking Show at Denmark High School

**December 9<sup>th</sup>** Guild Christmas Party - Held at UWGB Ecumenical Center Details to Follow.

**January 17<sup>th</sup>** Annette Aubinger - Wood Carving - a life altering therapy

**February 21<sup>st</sup>** Dan Smocke - Making guitars

Note from Barry Bender: "**Brag Tables**" at the Show

Fellow Guild Members

Our show committee has worked very hard to ensure a successful show this year. Still, we have a lot of space to be filled. We would like to have more exhibitors if possible. If you cannot display, there is an alternative. Brag tables.

How do Brag Tables work? Brag Tables are tables set aside for members and show attendees to display a woodworking project for others to see. Brag tables are free! The item you display on a brag table is usually accompanied by a card displaying your name or business. The item displayed on the table is there as long as you like. For example: If you attend the show from 10 AM to 1 PM you may put it on the table when you arrive and take it when you leave.

The goal of having brag tables is to display more woodworking art. Some members may not have enough to sell or fill a table. With Brag Tables you can share your woodworking art without having to pay for a table and it benefits the guild by having more to display with show attendees at no cost or time frame for you. This is good for everyone. The person displaying his "brag item" may show off his "pride and joy" for all to admire. The guild has more on display for attendees at the show. Also, people who may not have enough items or desire to sell can show off their work.

This would be a big help to our club if we can fill more tables to improve our show. If you are interested in displaying on a Brag Table, please contact Eric Hansen at: [ericjonhansen@yahoo.com](mailto:ericjonhansen@yahoo.com) . This way, we can get an idea of how many tables to reserve.

### **Library**

The library will not be available at the meeting, due to the change of location.



**September Show and Tell**

The quietest chain saw, from Bruce Kornely  
Maple, padauk & walnut



Laser cut images from Gary Emerich

Inside out ornament, black walnut from Larry Lienau



3 items from Paul Murphy:

Maple dish



Mulberry vase



Maple burl dish



## SHOW & TELL CONTINUED:

From Chris Shoemaker:

Clock featuring black walnut and walnut veneer.

**Chris has generously donated this clock, so it will be a featured item in Bucket Raffle at the show.**



## Membership Update October 2023

We welcome one new member who joined us this week:

*Sally Cissna of Appleton*

*Sally is a beginning woodworker who enjoys carving*

As of October 6, we have 135 active members.

Please remember one of the benefits to your membership is a 10% discount on most items at the Woodcraft store in Appleton. You must show your NEWWG name tag at check-out as proof of your membership.

Woodcraft will be helping the Guild again in October. On Saturday, October 28, Woodcraft will be holding two live demos and has invited the Guild to hold another new member event from 10-2. I'll be at Woodcraft in Appleton telling people about the Guild and signing up new members. Stop by if you can, say hi, and pick up some supplies with your 10% Guild discount!

Speaking of memberships, your membership renewal is due October 1. All memberships expire October 1st. Renewal for individual members costs \$15, family membership renewals are \$20. You can renew by cash or check at any meeting or by check mailed to my home or by using PayPal. Send your PayPal transfer to my email (ericjonhansen@yahoo.com). Thanks in advance for renewing at the meeting or by mail or via PayPal!

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**NEWWG BOD Meeting September 26, 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, Show Committee-Randy Hendricks. Jim Michiels Web Site, Matt Hamblin, Past Pres./Library Pete Schuh, Unable to attend: Membership, Eric Hansen.

**Minutes** from last meeting: Move to accept: Matt, 2<sup>nd</sup>Pete. Approval unanimous.

**Secretary/Newsletter:** To give a little more time before the Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> meeting, articles will be due by Fri. 10/6, with goal of issue coming out on Mon 10/9. Editor will include a show update, with emphasis on encouraging more exhibitor participation and bucket raffle donations.

**Library** No change. The family of Tom and Lee Carlson have donated books and magazines, which Pete bring to the show.

**Treasurer's report:** Financial activity August 21, 2023 to September 25, 2023  
Balance as of 9/12/23-\$10,161.82

Income: \$ 2.17 - Interest income \$ 265.00- Membership dues \$5,000.00 - Member Donation \$ 325.00 – Donations Total \$6022.17	Expenses: \$ 224.51- show printing & roll tickets \$ 100.00- Presenter fee Total (\$5797.66)
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As you can see, a very generous donation from a Guild member has greatly improved our financial situation. Even before this gift, fundraising by the show committee had us moving in the right direction.

Respectfully submitted, Chuck Druckrey, Treasurer

**Membership:** - Current membership stands at 134. 42 have renewed for 2024, 92 members have yet to renew. I'm sure most will in October and at the November show.

- I've mailed \$225 in dues money to Chuck Druckrey for September receipts.
- I'm working on updating the Membership Application to include the digital media release Matt provided me with last month.
- Our next membership drive event is scheduled at Woodcraft for October 28th. I'll be promoting the Guild, the Nov Show, and signing up new members while the Woodcraft team demos various power tools. This event and the Guild's presence will be promoted to the many people on the Woodcraft email list and on the Woodcraft Facebook page.
- Woodcraft will be placing Show posters (back to back) on their front door for the six weeks before the show. In addition "show cards" are on their counter now and beginning October 1, show cards will be given to every customer with their purchase. The cards will be used as bag stuffers at checkout.

Please reach out if you have any questions about my report. Thanks, Eric

**Programs:**

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

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Barry will follow up on a couple more suggestions

**Show 2023:** Update: Randy and Jim provided a detailed update; 31 sponsors, @ \$100 or more, 29 lesser donors for a total of \$3193, cash/value. A 3<sup>rd</sup> "special raffle" item received from member Chris Shoemaker (clock). Tickets for this will sell @ \$25. Good initial response at Sept. meeting to fill needed volunteer spots at the show.

Food at the event will be provided by the Denmark VFW, and Sat. is Veterans Day, so a nice connection.

Needs: More exhibitors—need not be selling items, can just display them.

More pictures of items for display/sale /raffle to post on social media.

More volunteer at multiple stations/times during the show

**Guild Constitution/Bylaws** Deferred until next BOD meeting.

**Additional Business:**

Next membership meeting: Wed, Oct 18, 2023. NWTC, 7pm

Next Board of Directors meeting Tues. Oct 24, 2023 will be at NWTC. 7pm

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Maureen Birk

**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:**

## Items of interest from other organizations

**WAUPACA AREA WOODCARVERS**  
present  
**2023 Artistry in Wood**  
**Show, Competition & Sale**  
**SUN. NOVEMBER 5TH, 2023 9AM - 4PM**

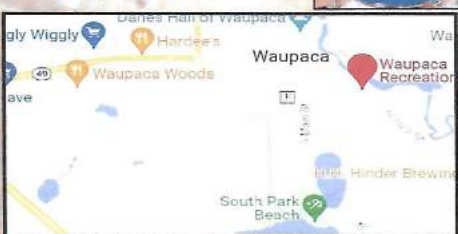
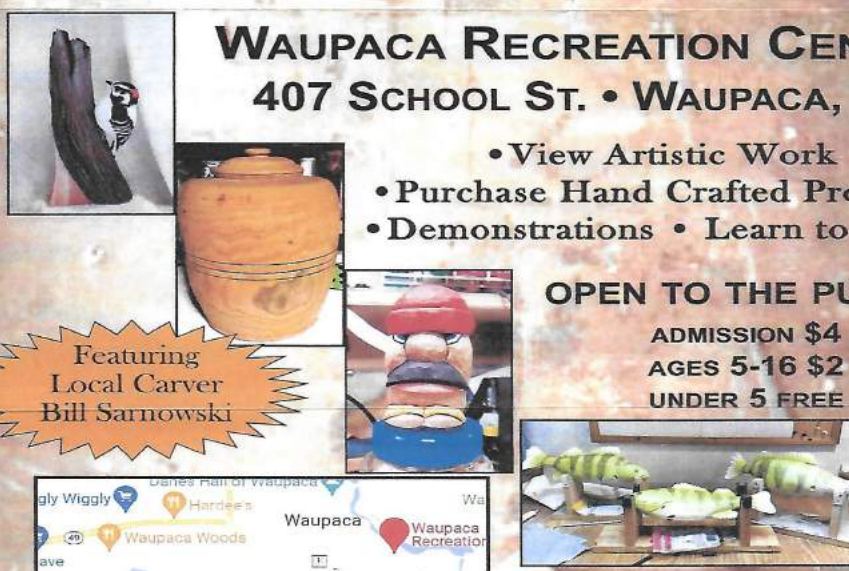
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**MEETINGS** (Guests and prospective members welcome)  
3rd Wednesday of each month, Time: 7:00 p.m. Visit our web site at: [www.newwg.org](http://www.newwg.org)

How to Get Involved: For inquiries regarding joining The Northeastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild, contact: Paul Murphy: [paulmurphywood@gmail.com](mailto:paulmurphywood@gmail.com) 920-604-0152

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)

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### **Guild Officers**

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Newsletter/Secretary Maureen Birk

### **Committee Chairs & Project Coordinators**

Programs/publicity Barry Bender,

Membership, Event Facil. Eric Hansen

Librarian, Pete Schuh

Annual Show, Randy Hendricks, Jim Michiels

Web Site, Matt Hamblin

