

# BENCHTALK



**Northeastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild**

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**August —Instead of a regular meeting, there is the picnic—**

**Guild Picnic Reminder      Note change to Sat for this year**

The summer picnic is scheduled for **Saturday 24 August**.

DeBroux Park    2900 Brighton Place    Bellevue

We plan to eat around noon. The guild supplies, Hamburgers, brats, hot dogs, sweet corn on the cob, buns, soda, and water. We also supply the condiments, napkins, plastic ware and paper plates.

Members bring desserts, salads, or what ever you want to share.

If you want to bring a show and tell item feel free to do so.

**Please contact Pete Schuh by August 19<sup>th</sup> if you plan to attend.**

Thank you    Pete Schuh    920-788-3871    pjscls@live.com



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

**August 24th - Saturday** Guild Picnic at DeBroux Park in Bellevue, Plan to arrive around 11:00 AM

**September 18th** - Final Preparations for Annual Show, member Show and Tell

**October 16th** - Michael Doerr - Making Contemporary Furniture

**November 9th & 10th** -Annual Show at Denmark high School

**December** - Guild Christmas party at Green Bay Ecumenical Center. Date and time to be determined.

**January 15th 2025** - Rob Martens - Bending Wood

Almost all the presenters or subjects for presentations are suggestions from fellow guild members. This has worked very well, and I am always open for more ideas for future meetings. Thank you for your help!

Sincerely, Barry Bender

## July Meeting Review

Our presenter was Mary Warnecke, whose specialty is intarsia. Intarsia is the use of various woods to create a mosaic type image. It is similar to marquetry, except the pieces are thicker and are finished or shaped to show depth. Mary incorporates other skills (carving, wood-burning) into her pieces also.

She defined Intarsia as 3-dimensional wood art, known since the time of the ancient Egyptians.

Her process starts with a pattern, that she copies onto tracing paper. Each piece is numbered, then traced onto wood, chosen for color and texture/grain. Most pieces are on  $\frac{3}{4}$ " thick wood. Cutting is done on a scroll saw, and all pieces are sanded to 320 grit. Finishes are paint or a satin poly. Pieces are glued onto a backing, generally  $\frac{1}{4}$ " Luan.

Mary's largest piece is a 38"x52" Last Supper.

Recommended references/instruction books: by Judy Gale Roberts and Kathy Wise



### July Member Show and Tell



By Paul Murphy, design for woodburning, to be created on a black walnut slab

By George Brudi, Letter opener from black walnut scrap



## **NEWWG Logo Garments**

from Barry Bender

They put the logo on denim shirts, polo shirts, pullovers, t-shirts & jackets. I strongly suggest trying on the article of clothing on at the store before you order. I usually take an XL size but had to order a Large size in the polo shirts because they ran big.

Hope this helps!

Express Embroidery

2710 S. Packerland Drive, Suite D

Green Bay, WI 54313

Phone 920-490-5555

## **Membership Update August 2024**

Our guild has 3 new members this month. Please welcome:

**Justin Gregerson** of Antigo, who has joined with a business membership,

**Kay Nieset** of Kaukauna, who is new to woodworking, and

**Rebecca Maes** who is the new Sales & Marketing voice of Beam and Board - one of our business members.

As of August 12, we have 141 members.

**October 1 most memberships are up for renewal.** Renewal costs only \$15 for most members, \$20 for family memberships, \$10 for students and \$35 for business memberships. There are 3 convenient options: cash or check to me at any meeting, cash or check mailed to my home address (below), or easiest of all send your dues via PayPal to Treasurer@newwg.org

Nine Guild members helped at Woodcraft's Annual Family Day on July 27. Volunteers helped with the kid's activity kits, helped serve lunch, talked to guests about joining the NEWWG and directed folks to the various demos going on during the day. Hundreds of people were exposed to the Guild at our membership table! Woodcraft was delighted with the event and how NEWWG volunteers helped make the day a success.

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 checkout as proof of your membership.

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**NEWWG BOD Meeting July 23, 2024** At NWTC Great Lake Energy Ed. Center meeting room. Convened 7:15pm.

**Attending:** Pres. Greg Levenhagen, V.P. /Membership Eric Hansen, Newsletter Maureen Birk. Web Site, Matt Hamblin, Programs Barry Bender. Unable to attend: librarian, Chuck Leonard; Secretary, Gerry Jensen; Treasurer, Chuck Druckrey.

**Minutes** from last meeting: Move to accept: Greg, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt. Approved unanimously.

**Secretary/Newsletter:** Dead line for articles for August newsletter is Mon.8/12/2024. In Gerry's absence, Maureen took minutes.

Newsletter for August will feature picnic information.

**Library** no report

**Membership:** Membership Update: 140 members

Woodcraft Family Day: Demos are going to be primarily by Woodcraft staff, featuring tools in stock. Eric will have a NEWWG membership table. Members needed to assist with the kids' project, and with general questions etc.

**Programs:**

Aug.- 24<sup>th</sup> Annual picnic DeBroux Park, Belleview, Change to **SATURDAY 8/24**

Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>-Final prep for annual show; member Show and Tell, problem solving discussion.

Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> Michael Doerr - Making Contemporary Furniture

Nov. 9-10, Annual "Artistry in Wood" Show

Dec Guild Christmas Party At UWGB Ecumenical Center -Details TBD

Jan. 15, 2025: Rob Martens on bending wood.

Future Programs: Eric will check member application forms for possible additional ideas for future programs.

Discussion regarding the mechanism for paying speakers, when treasurer is not available on site. Possible use of gift cards. No decision reached-to be discussed further.

**Web Site:** Matt presented the progress on the Show page to date. He is working to get registration, exhibitor and donor pages set up, for on line completion/payment.

**Guild Budget :** Budget as adopted at June meeting was amended to include \$500 maximum for camcorder w/SD card, and a DVD burner. Motion to accept changes by Greg, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Eric; unanimous approval.

**By Laws** Update: Greg will highlight changes at Sept member meeting, prior to submitting for member vote of approval.

**New Business:** Greg suggested that to further the connection with Woodcraft, their employees be offered a free NEWWG membership. Motion by Eric to begin this program at the start of the Guild membership year in October 2024. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Greg; unanimous approval.

Also from Greg, that there is a site for the Einstein Project in east Green Bay. A "maker space" that may have potential for Guild involvement. To be investigated further.

Next regular membership meeting: Guild Picnic: **SATURDAY 8/24**

Next Board of Directors meeting Tues. August 27, 2024 @.7pm

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Maureen Birk

Addendum: **Treasurers Report August 12, 2024**

**Financial Activity (June 24, 2024, through August 12, 2024)**

Balance as of 08/12/24 - \$20,743.01

Income:	Expenses: Check #	Description
\$7.83 – Interest Income	\$112.26 #1269	Office/Newsletter expenses
\$75.00 – Membership fees	\$125.00 #1271	Summer Picnic shelter rental
\$9.12 – Interest income	\$70.45 #1270	Meeting door prizes
\$24.25 – Membership fees	\$100.00 #1272	June presenter fee
\$645.00 – (\$525.00 – Show donor income, \$120.00 – Show registrations)	Total (\$407.71)	
Total \$761.20		

Respectfully Submitted,  
Chuck Druckrey – Treasurer

## Events by other organizations



**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> 10AM-3PM**

**1125 N MILITARY AVE, GREEN BAY**

**GAMES - PRIZES - TOURS**

**FOOD PROVIDED BY  
TROOP 1107 HOWARD-SUAMICO** 

All NEWWG members all invited to the Fall Bash at Beam and Board in Green Bay. Beam and Board is one of our business members. In addition to supplying beautiful reclaimed lumber for large projects (tables, mantels, cabinets, etc.) they also sell small boxes of mixed high quality short pieces for smaller projects in the \$15-25 price range. All guild members are invited to stop in at their Saturday, September 7th event to tour their store, production facility and lumber yard,



**WAUPACA AREA WOODCARVERS  
2024 ARTISTRY IN WOOD  
SHOW, COMPETITION AND SALE**

**WAUPACA RECREATION CENTER  
407 SCHOOL STREET  
WAUPACA, WI**

**FEATURED  
LOCAL  
CARVER:**

**Ray Claussen**

***DEMONSTRATIONS  
THROUGHOUT  
THE DAY!***

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC  
ADMISSION IS \$5.00  
AGES 17 and under are  
FREE!**

**SUNDAY  
NOVEMBER 3,  
2024  
9 am to  
4 pm**

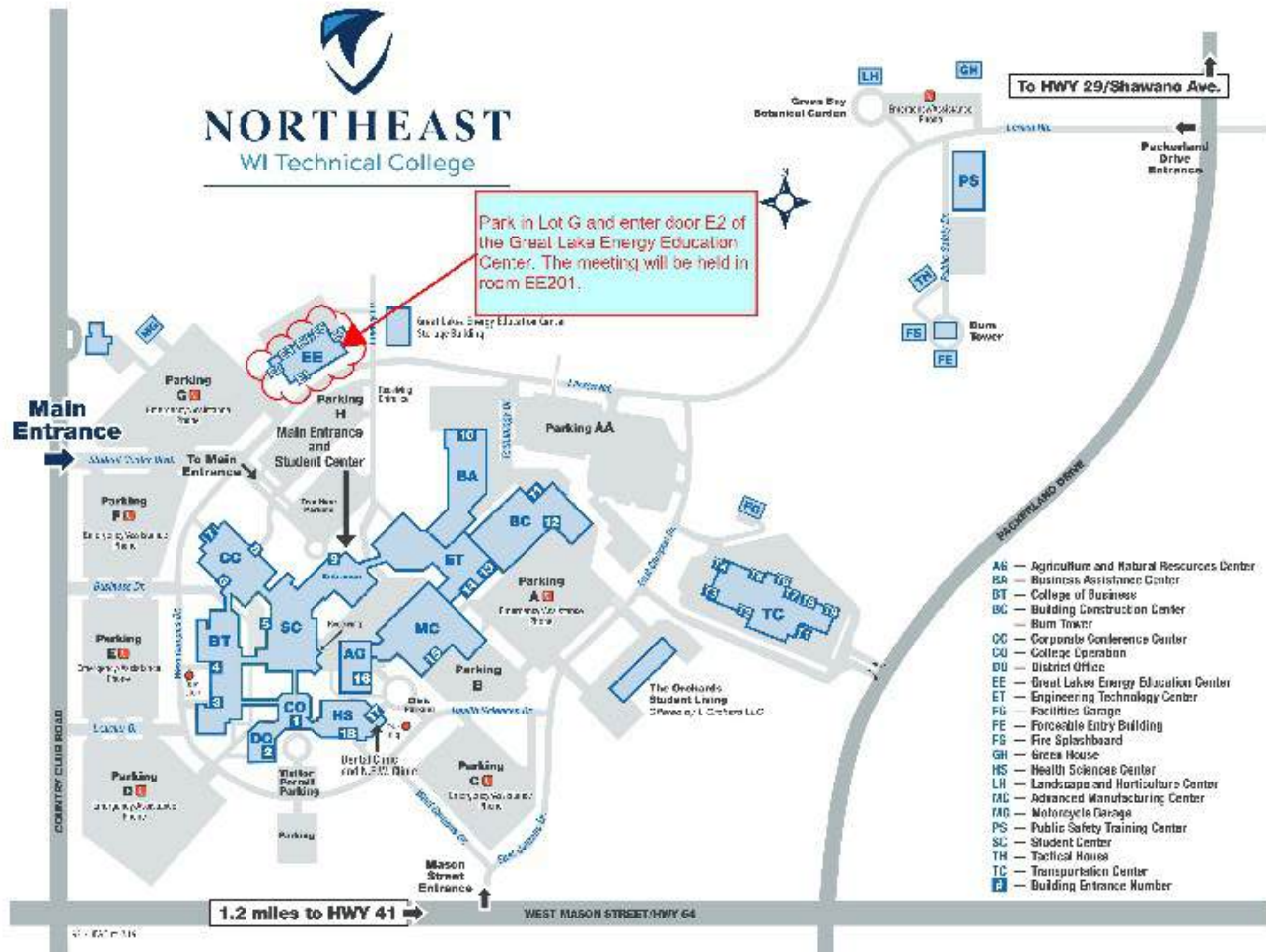
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**OR VISIT THE WAUPACA AREA WOODCARVERS FACEBOOK PAGE**







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**For more information on activities, meetings and members, check out the Guild website at: [newwg.org](http://newwg.org)**

**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](http://www.newwg.org)

How to Get Involved: For inquiries regarding joining The Northeastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild, contact: Eric J. Hansener [ericjonhansen@yahoo.com](mailto:ericjonhansen@yahoo.com) 952-567-4625 Or any other Board or committee member.

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**Officers:**

President - Greg Levenhagen  
 VP & Membership - Eric Hansen  
 Secretary - Gerald Jensen  
 Treasurer - Chuck Druckrey

**Board Members:**

Barry Bender - Programs  
 Maureen Birk - Newsletter  
 Chuck Leonard - Library  
 Matt Hamblin - Website

**Other committees:**

Annual Show: Randy Hendricks, Jim Michiels  
 Event Facilitator: open