

## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING PROGRAMS

by Dan Kaster, Program Director

### October Meeting Program: Millwork Finishing

"I will present some creative finishing techniques and processes that I have learned and developed over the years I have worked in the field of architectural millwork finishing. I will touch on multi-step processes and samples as a means of taking complete control of the finishing process or perhaps simpler put, how to eliminate the 'surprises' that often come with trying to achieve a desired finish. Will focus on some of the processes I use to achieve the bright and colorful finishes that seem catch so many eyes at the Spring Show." \_PATRICK POZARSKI

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### November Meeting Program: Google Sketchup

### December Meeting Program: Christmas Party

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# BENCH TALK

## Northeastern Wisconsin Wood Workers Guild

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Membership, Fred Juengst

Special Events, Tom Charlier

Web Site, Mark Brien

Spring Show, Jane Alesch

## Workshop Tips

### Presented by The Guild Members ... YOU!

The meeting on September 18 promises to be a dandy. Every year or so, we invite Guild members to bring their favorite projects, tools, and jigs and fixtures to the meeting to describe them and their uses to other Guild members. Every time we do it, it turns out to be one of the best meetings of the year. We hope this year will be no exception, so bring your favorite tool, new or used, your favorite jig or fixture, or a special project you've completed or are working on to the meeting. We've asked our member businesses to bring a recently introduced tool or jig as well. To make sure we make time for you in the program, please contact Don Kaster, our program chairperson, to let him know that you want to show something and how long you think it might take. \_DA

Don can be reached at his new e-mail address:

[dwkaster0@gmail.com](mailto:dwkaster0@gmail.com).

Where:

Room 107 - Mary Ann Cofrin Hall, UWGB

When:

7pm-9pm, September 18, 2009



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## Northeastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

by Lyle Martens, Acting Secretary

Wednesday, August 19, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. By Steve Lockart.

**Present:** Steve Lockhart, Lyle Martens, Dan Alesch, Jane Alesch, Don Kaster, Tom Carlson, Lee Carlson, Mark Brienen, Fred Juengst, Greg Puza.

**Absent:** Linda Surowiec, Tom Charlier, Tim McVey, Pete Schuh.

Minutes of the July 22, 2009 meeting approved. Moved by Lee Carlson, 2nd Tom Carlson.

**Treasurer's report:** Current assets were reported by Lee Carlson at \$9,953.86. Tom Carlson reported that the raffle continued to do well. Last meeting took in \$82.00 and gave out \$110.00. He has prizes and gift certificates remaining for future meetings.

**Membership report:** Fred reported that the card system of reminding members of their membership due dates is working. Further discussion was a request that an updated membership list be made.

**Public relations report:** Tim McVey, Absent

**Programs report:** Don Kaster indicated a need for discussion about presenters for the 'Show and Tell' meeting in September. Tentative suggestion included: Don K, Flat Sander; Greg P; Festool; (He will check with Woodcraft), Dan A, Lathe duplicator; Steve L, Track Saw; Also was the question on training of the video/media equipment at Guild meetings. October meeting will be on Sketch-Up. Don K will seek out presenters. Possible November meeting will be (sorry I missed the name), December could be Bob Martens or for January.

**Editors Report:** Greg indicated there was a mix-up on the last letter (a postcard to announce the picnic \_ed.). Dan Alesch indicated that if Greg needed help to call him. Due date for next newsletter is August 30th.

**Librarian Report:** Pete Schuh, Absent

**Special Activities:** Tom Charlier, Absent

**Web Report:** Mark Brinen reported that all current activities were on the Web. The library inventory was also on theWeb. There was some discussion on the means of placing membership on the Web.

**Spring Show Report:** Jane Alesch reported that final contract is ready for signing. The dates for the show are March 27 and 28. We may be able to set up on Friday night. Music Association will serve food as a money maker. Jane will visit with woodworking teachers to see if there is interest in displaying students projects. The possibility of awarding a "people's choice" prize to the most outstanding student project. Lyle indicated that he may be able to get a company to donate a prize, if not, the club may purchase one. Lyle Martens indicated that he contacted Tom Tenkowski about producing a short promotional video, and Tom indicated he would help. The Guild insurance policy was updated to comply with the needs of the show. Next board meeting will be on September 23 at Steve Lockharts in Appleton. \_LM

## Presidents Ramblings

by Steve Locckhart

Once again, as most of you know, we owe Jane Alesch and Mark Brienen a resounding thank you for being responsible for much of the Picnic's success. Mark and Jane got the food the Guild provided. Mark took the lead in cooking and Jane took responsibility for getting us there. Many thanks to Rich Ward for providing the grill and to Don Kaster for picking up the soft drinks.

September's meeting is traditionally the kickoff for the fall/winter woodworking season. Hopefully we will have something of interest to everyone since we will feature extended show and tell from several members.

At the risk of boring some folks who talked to me at the spring show, I am bringing back my home-made 'track saw' for the show and tell. I brought it to the spring show just after I had built it but before I had used it much. Since then, I have used it extensively so I will report on my experience and recommended improvements. (The 'track saw' is an inexpensive copy of the (expensive) Dewalt Tracksaw) It makes it much easier to make accurate cuts of large panels by laying the panel on the floor on top of some foam insulation board and then using a track to guide circular saw. Not coincidentally I had a huge project which required lots of accurate cutting of MDF board so the saw was put to good use

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the September 18 meeting to find out all the interesting ideas you have. \_SL

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

by Fred Juengst

September Membership Report by Fred Juengst  
About 18 members are more than three months overdue with dues. I sent out notification to all these members in early September. You will receive a letter with a postcard inside. If you wish to remain a member, please place the postcard and your payment in an envelope and send it to me. Do not put any marks on the postcard so I can reuse it. If you decided not to continue your membership, please place your name on the card and drop it in the mail. There is a third option I did not think about. If you think you already paid your dues or think I am incorrect that your membership is overdue, let me know, please. If you do not respond with dues payment or the returned postcard, you are automatically dropped. This makes more work for me because I have to reenter your data onto the membership list. Please do not hesitate to call me at 920-469-1919 or send me an e-mail at

'mdjuengst@aol.com'. I really prefer to not remove your name if I don't have to. We get a number of returned e-mails every month. If you receive your copy of Bench Talk by regular mail instead of by e-mail as you expected, please send me an e-mail with your name and correct e-mail address. I will make the changes to the master membership list and you will again get your Bench Talk by e-mail.

The following e-mail addresses were returned undelivered:

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'lkron@centurytel.net',

'clete\_SI@yahoo.com',

'billgau@yahoo.com',

'hammenjohn@yahoo.com'

I also have a lot of name tags and have been contacted about them. We do not send them to you. You have to pick them up at a meeting, picnic, or other gathering. I will be at the September meeting with all the unclaimed name tags. Plan to attend and pick up your name tag. Remember, if you choose to quit the Guild, you must return all library materials charged out to you or you will be billed for them.

## CHIPS, SHAVINGS, SAWDUST, BROKEN ROUTER BITS, AND OTHER STUFF

by Dan Alesch

The Picnic

The annual August Guild Picnic was a fine affair attended by about 50 members and guests. The temperature was about perfect, the sun was shining, the food was great, and there weren't any yellow jackets to bother us. Everyone who came brought wonderful dishes to pass and Chef Mark was on the mark at the grill. Don Kaster brought a surface sander he built, Milt Schmitt brought a copy of his recent article in Woodturning Design, along with some examples of the work he showed in it, and everyone had a good time. Jane wants to express her thanks to all the people who helped set up and especially to those who helped clean up.

Milt Schmitt, Author

Guild member, Milton Schmitt, joined the Guild's growing list of authors recently when he had an excellent article in Woodturning Design's Fall 2009 issue, Milt's article is entitled 'Turning the '4 x 8' Tree: Incorporating Plywood into your Work.' The article features Milt's innovative approach to using

plywood in segmented turnings to achieve really impressive 'drapery' effects. The use of plywood enhances Milt's already impressive segmented turnings. To appreciate his work, you really need to see the article itself, which includes fine photos, or to see Milt's work 'close up and personal.' He'll have it at the spring show, but it would make sense to go to Bosses' or another top quality news depot and get your own copy of the magazine. You can reach Milt at MCMASCHMIT@aol.com for more information. Congratulations, Milt. It is good to have another Guild member join Steve Lockhart and Fred Juengst as Guild members sharing what they've learned and developed in woodworking magazines and journals. In the past, Pat Spielman and Carl Roehlem now both deceased, published books on their techniques.

A Call from Wood Craft

Mary Rowland from Wood Craft in Appleton called to say that a Sorby representative will be at the store on October 6. He will be giving turning and tool demonstrations in the afternoon and evening. In addition, they will have an in-store gallery of work by customers and, for larger pieces that can't be shown at the store, a virtual gallery. This will occur on October 9th and 10th and correspond with a big storewide sale that weekend, including power tools.

News from Woodworkers Depot

Merl Stingle tells me that the Depot is holding its annual Fall Kick-Off Sale. It is going on now and includes lots of vendor and store deals, while they last, with savings of up to 60%. Good time to stock up on holiday gift-making supplies.

## MARCH 27 & 28, 2010 28TH ANNUAL SPRING SHOW

by Jane Alesch

It is official. The Spring Show will be at Southwest High School on Packerland Drive, just a little south of West Mason Street in Green Bay. We have the date early enough that we should get good publicity. Let me know the names of all magazines and websites whose calendars you check so we can get on those calendars. Mark your calendars now!!! Start a special project to show or a bunch to sell, depending on what your thing is. Oh, lest I forget how about a raffle prize. The sooner I know how many and the name of some specific prizes, the easier it is to promote. Contact me to volunteer or to ask questions.

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