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BENCH TALK

IMAGINING THE CABINET



Rob Martens will explain the woodworking techniques used in the construction of his credenza. The project was started in December 2008. The woodworking portion is complete, but Rob has taken on the art of stained glass, and expects to complete the stained glass portion of this project sometime this year.

Woodworking techniques to be shared will include:

- * laminating curved wood elements
- * inlay
- * tambor
- * custom handles
- * cabinet assembly.

Rob's presentation will also include showing his concept drawings and working, or shop-drawings, and how these drawings are used to aid in the construction of complex projects.

Samples of various woodworking techniques will be passed around.

Where:

Room 107 - Mary Ann Cofrin Hall, UWGB
University of Wisconsin - Green Bay Campus

When:

7pm-9pm, , Friday, February 19, 2010

Ramblings From Your Presedent

by Steve Lockhart

We're in the middle of prime woodworking season. Instead of ice fishing, polar plunging, igloo building, and other forms of getting cold, I prefer woodworking.

As I write this, I am looking forward to riding down to the Milwaukee Woodworking Show with Lyle Martens. I am totally in awe of Lyle. He's one of the most skilled woodworkers I know plus being very active on the NEWWG board currently serving as secretary. But he's really gone over the top with his leadership of the Guild's presence at the Milwaukee Woodworking show. Both last year and this year Lyle has made all the arrangements to get a booth at the show for the Guild and volunteered to drive down with a carload of guys and guild stuff each of the three days of the show.

I went along last year and had a great time and am looking forward to doing it again this year. Many thanks to Lyle! _SL

CHIPS AND CUTOFFS - HEADS UP!

By Dan Alesch, Editor/Carver

The Spring Show will include the popular Tool Crib Again this year, the Guild will operate a Tool Crib at the **Spring Show March 27-28, 2010**. The Guild makes no money from transactions between buyer and seller. This is a service to Guild members.

Save Time: Forms for selling items will be available at the February meeting so you can save time and avoid lines by filling them out before you get to the Spring Show. See Tom or Lee Carlson.

1. What is the tool crib? Guild members can bring in new or old tools that they no longer want or need. Only members of the Guild may sell tools in the tool crib. Also, members can donate a tool or tools to the Guild. The Guild will sell them at the tool crib and apply the proceeds to offset the cost of the spring show.

2. Have you notified the Spring Show Chairman (Jane Alesch) that you have items for the tool crib? Provide Jane Alesch with a list of the items you wish to sell, just so we know how much space to set aside for the Crib. Jane's phone number: 920-468-0132 or email her at jbalesch@att.net

3. How do I put tools in the tool crib? You will be given a tag for each tool that you bring. On each tag you will fill out the following information:

Name/Phone Number: (please use a cell phone)

Tool: (type of tool)

Condition: (new/used, excellent/good, working/not)

Price: (what you want for the tool [dream on ...ed.]



Pins, Tails and Flying chips

by Don Kaster, Program Director

As woodworkers making dovetail joints is one joint I have shied away from. The dovetail one of the neatest looking joints, especially if hand-cut.

The presentation given by member Chuck Druckery at the January meeting on making hand-cut dovetails was so thorough that it made me think, that even I could make these historic joints.

Chuck described: the tools, techniques, safety tips, and revealed some of his insights on creating a proper through-dovetail joint. Maybe, I just might try dovetailing my next boxy project.

The Woodworkers Guild and I would like to thank Chuck for his time and talent to give a very fine presentation, Thanks chuck. _DK



Attach the tag to the tool.

The tool tag must then be entered on to the numbered Tool Crib Inventory sheet. The line number on the inventory sheet must be written on the tag.

4. Do I have to be present to sell items in the tool crib? Yes, you have to be present to sell items. You may designate someone else but either you or your designated representative must be at the show.

5. What is the selling procedure? All sales are between the seller and buyer.

When a buyer is interested in an item they can call the phone number on the tag or ask the worker at the tool crib where the seller is.

Once the seller and buyer have reached an agreement, the seller will give the tag to the worker at the tool crib table. The worker will take the tag; write out a sales receipt and cross off the item on the Tool Crib Inventory sheet. All sold tools must have a receipt.

All sales are between the seller and buyer.

The Guild will not handle any money.

6. Can I bring in more items on Sunday?

Yes, you may bring in additional items on Sunday.

7. What happens to the items at the end of the show?

All unsold items must be picked up the seller by the end of the show Sunday. The Guild will not be responsible for any items not picked up.

January Membership Report

by Fred Juengst

We now have 161 active members and one trial member. I did receive a note from one member who decided to resign from the Guild because he is unable to attend our meetings. In addition we regret to announce the passing of one of our members, *Orville Pagel*.

This month I will send out 5 cards to members notifying them that this month they will receive their last Bench Talk. I would very much like you send me the postcard back if you choose not to renew your membership. This way I know your intention is to resign. Please do not feel you have to explain why you choose not to continue being a member. If you choose to send in your dues, do not mark the postcard in any way. Just slip the postcard and your check in an envelope and send it back to me at: 846 Cornelius Drive, Green Bay, WI 54311.

If you have any questions or if you don't get your Bench Talk, send me an e-mail at: <mdjuengst@aol.com>, or call me at 920-469-1919. I will do my best to correct any mistakes or answer your membership questions. _FJ

Meeting of the Board of Directors

by Lyle Martens

January 27, 2010

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

Absent: Tom Charlier, Peter Schuh. Call meeting to order: Steve L.

Minutes of December 3 meeting: Moved by Fred J, seconded by Lee C. Approved.

Treasurer's report:

Lee C. Current Assets \$8,063.12 compared to last year \$7,002.47. Tom C. reported that last raffle took in \$100 plus and gave out \$130 in prizes at the last meeting. Raffle is popular and will give more prizes next time.

Membership: Fred J. Nothing to report.

Public Relations: No report

Program review:

Don K. Board report on past program was excellent. Good Job!

Future Programs:

February; Bob Martens on cabinet design; March, 27 and 28 Guild woodworker show: April, Bob Cosman on Hand Tools, (See more in January Benchtalk and on the Web. Note; Program will be demo on hand tool work, mortise/tenon, dovetail, other hand tool operations.

Editor Report:

Greg P. Deadline for newsletter material is Sunday, January 31

Library Report:

Peter S. It was noted that only about 15 books are taken out each meeting. The Guild has many great publications and tapes for the members.

(SEE THE WEB PAGE FOR ALL TITLES.

<<http://www.newwg.org/librarybygroup.pdf>>

Special Activities:

Discussion focused on the April 23 meeting featuring Bob Cosman sponsored by Woodcraft and the Guild. Cosman will make a presentation for Guild members at the regular Friday night Guild meeting and then present 3 workshops on Saturday at the Woodcraft Store in Appleton, Total cost of the program shared with Woodcraft is about \$3,500. The Guild will participate in the costs. There will be a nominal fee for Guild members who attend.

Web Report:

Mark B. Web is being brought up to date with special announcements of coming events.

Spring Show, March 27-28, 2010:

Jane A reported all is a go. Tickets and brochures are available and those that did not pick theirs up at last meeting will get them in the mail. Board is deciding on prizes for student work. Tom C. indicated that the tool crib will be even more efficient than last year.

Lyle M. Will continue to pursue advertising with TV stations.

Milwaukee Woodwork Show, February 5,6,7 2010:

Lyle M. reported that the Guild again have a booth. Guild participants include; Lyle Martens, Steve Lockert, Cal Knaide, Mark Brienens, Bob Martens, Don Kaster.

Note: Mark Brienens will be demonstrating the new Midi Lathe for Porter-Cable at the Milwaukee Show.

Other Business:

The Guild picnic will be held August 22.

Next Board meeting is Feb. 24 at the Alesch house.

Meeting Adjourned.



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