John’s Jaunt

Welcome to the January issue of the RIPSaw and John’s Jaunt. I am writing this two weeks before Christmas, and as usual for me, my Christmas projects are coming down to the wire! I am just getting started with laminating the blanks that I need, but I am taking some time off work and should be able to make it just in time!

Our Holiday party was once again a successful event with numerous toys delivered to our partner shelters. It was nice to have a representative talk to us about their program and the impact that our toys make on the children they serve. This year’s recipient of the Woodworker of the Year award was Bill Godfrey. Bill has willingly opened his shop for workshops and been co-chair of our programs and workshops committee.

Congratulations, Bill! We also had a successful door prize give away. Thanks to all who donated items. If you have any comments on the party please feel free to let a board member know so that we can improve for next year.

Continue to think about how you can participate and contribute to the Guild. In particular, the publications committee led by Leila Crandall-Frink can use some additional participants to write articles or help with the typesetting. If this is something of interest, Leila would love to hear from you!

The new year brings with it a new location, and a new night beginning in January. So don’t forget, we will be meeting at Woodcraft on the first Thursday of the month.

Happy New Year and I hope you were all successful in completing your projects! — John

PROGRAM NOTES

A few resolutions

It is my resolution that our club have a very exciting 2010. It is my resolution that 2010 will be my last year as Program Chairman. It is my resolution to use more of the education I’ve learned to make exciting new projects.

A group of Guild members took a tour of William Galinsky’s clock shop where he builds huge grandfather clocks. It was a timely trip. Big clocks ticked all around the building. They kept time, played different songs, chimed and chewed gum all at the same time. Our tour was unbelievable and so will be our January 7th Guild meeting about Grandfather clocks.

Did you resolve to improve your wood finishing skills? If you’re interested, sign up for William Robilard’s professional Wood-Finisher’s workshop on Saturday, January 23rd 9:00am-about 2:00pm, at Bill Godfrey’s. Cost: $40.00, limited participation.

January 30th at 9:00 am build a bookcase at Bill Godfrey’s. Bring your own materials and finish the project in one day. Cost: $7.00, limited participation. Contact Ed Cessna for material list.

February 4th, Chris Moore from Madison Wisconsin, will show us how he builds musical instruments. He is highly skilled, i.e. he won a national magazine contest with one of his ideas. We look forward to his presentation.

Resolve to: come to the meetings, come with new ideas, bring your projects, share, share, share, take the lead, and be involved. Isn’t this a great resolution for the Guild’s success for 2010?

Thomas Schuppe, the resolute man

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William Galinsky

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Frank Klausa

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William Robillard

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Shellac overview to include French Polishing and brushing
William Robillard

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Guild member group workshop

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Sunday, March 07, 2010 – free to all members
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Frank Klausa

Saturday, March 27, 2010
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Walt Hadcock

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Dirk & Karen Boelman

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John Holzworth

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Scroll Saw Work at Home!
A local vendor approached me attempting to locate a craftsman that would be interested in a small task. They make a wooden plaque, about the size of a sheet of paper (8 1/2" x 11") in which there is a cutout showing the perimeter of the state of Wisconsin. The cutout may be about 5" across. They need 50 to 100 blanks each year from which they can make their awards. They have found their laser cutting machine leaves a burned edge, so they seek someone willing to do the work using a scroll saw. This may be an ideal small-scale recurring opportunity for anyone interested in doing scroll saw work for pay.

Contact:
Rudig Trophies
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(414) 773-9000
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Attendees: John Johnson, Ed Cessna, Lelia Crandall-Frink, Bill Godfrey, Shane Linskey, Jay Pilling, Tom Schuppe, Bill Smeaton

Membership: 35 members have paid their 2010 dues. Dues must be paid by March 1, to be included in the 2010 Membership Directory and to continue to receive the Ripsaw.

Treasurer: Balance: No report

Publications: Hank Yun has resigned from the Publications Committee. Anyone wishing to replace Hank on the committee should contact Leila Crandall-Frank.

Publicity: Guild business cards will be reprinted with the new meeting day and location.

Programs/Workshops: The all day scroll saw workshop scheduled for April 10, in the Woodcraft shop, will be limited to 15 participants, with a fee of $60. A broom making workshop with John Holzworth will be scheduled for a date in April or May.

Toys: Jay Pilling reported that all of the toys have been delivered to the shelters. Once again we made a very wide variety of toys.

Other Business:

Woodcraft Move – The move of guild property from State Fair Park to Woodcraft was successfully completed. All Guild property has been labeled as such.

Christmas Party Recap – The party was attended by 65 paid and 5 guests. In general the comic was well received. We will consider have some type of entertainment at the 2010 party. Over 30 items were donated as door prizes and this seemed to be the highlight of the party.

Respectfully Submitted

Ed Cessna
Scrollsawing

The topic of next April’s monthly program will be scrollsawing. The presenters will be Dirk and Karen Boelman. Dirk and Karen have been scroll sawing together for over 20 years. Dirk is one of the world’s most talented and prolific designers of scroll saw patterns. His patterns and articles have been published worldwide in countless books and magazines. He has been featured on national television and in DVDs. When he’s not designing, drawing, writing or sawing, he travels across the country to numerous scrolling and woodworking shows.

Karen is one of world’s smoothest circle cutters. She has spent thousands of hours sawing countless projects on the scroll saw. She and Dirk have seen through numerous species of wood, plastics, thin metal, and even rocks. Karen adds her creative touch to the numerous projects that the couple creates together.

Dirk and Karen have worked with many different types of scroll saws and blades. They have tackled projects smaller than a dime in size to pieces too large to fit on a scroll saw. The Boelman’s are well known for the detailed instructions that accompany the patterns sold through their shop “The Art Factory.”

At our monthly meeting on Friday, April 9, they will present an overview of their work, and show examples of their projects. They will conduct a workshop from 9 AM to 4 PM, Saturday, April 10, in the Woodcraft shop.

The morning session will cover everything from the basics of scrollsawing for beginners, every step-of-the-way through advance sawing techniques. They will discuss and demonstrate setting up your saw properly, adjusting tension, squaring the table, and using the various types of blade. Participants will learn the ins & outs of working with patterns, including correcting of copier distortion, joining pattern sections, double checking dimensions, and getting the best results with spray adhesives.

Dirk and Karen will demonstrate a variety of sawing techniques that help you cut sharper inside corners and outside points, straighter lines, and smoother curves. They will explain cutting veining/definition lines, stack sawing, bevel cutting, segmentation, and intarsia.

During the afternoon session participants will use scroll saws to practice the techniques learned in the morning session, or to make actual projects. Dirk and Karen will provide one-on-one training. You will also be able to tackle some of Dirk and Karen’s “Special Scroll Saw Challenges.”

The workshop is limited to 15 participants, and the cost is $60. You will be able to sign up at the January, February, and March meetings. The workshop will provide valuable information for the beginner to advanced scrollsawer.

One of the Founders of the Guild

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You may also send email to: wiscwoodworkersguild@wiscwoodworkersguild.org
Workshop: Saturday January 23, 2010. 9 AM to 2 PM
Shellac overview to include French Polishing and brushing
Presenter: Bill Robillard
Fee: members - $40.00
Location: Bill Godfrey’s workshop
Description: Shellac overview to include French Polishing and brushing. Presentation/discussion shellac // French polishing//brushing. What is a French polishing session? How to spirit, build the body and fill pores. Discuss keys to success - alcohol selection, best sources of shellacs, best brushes etc. How to build a polishing pad. Padding vs polishing. How to hold the pad. How to load the pad. When do you have too much or too little shellac. When/how to properly use pumice. While we won’t do any spraying, will review spraying technique and gun setup
Workshop activities:
1) Building a proper French pad
2) Loading the pad techniques.
3) French polishing a flat surface
4) Practice - Exercises
5) Shellac Brushing
6) Making and using Shellac “Paint”

Sharpening and Hand Tools Workshop
Date: March 27, 2010, Saturday 8:30 AM to Noon
Topic: Sharpening and Hand Tools
Presenter: Walt Hadcock
Location: Bill Godfrey’s Shop
Fee: Members only, Maximum 20 participants $20

Many of us continue to use dull planes and chisels, perhaps because we have not yet learned simple, inexpensive, and effective techniques to make tools sharp. It may seem contradictory, but a sharp tool is easier to use and therefore safer to use than a dull tool. It requires less force, so it is more easily controlled, and therefore less likely to slip. A sharp tool allows us to do better work.

This workshop is one that we try to offer every year or so. It provides an excellent opportunity to acquire a basic skill and interact with other members of the Guild.

Woodcraft Class Schedule
January 2010
Bowl & Spindle Turning, Sat, Jan 02, 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM
Basic Router Techniques, Wed, Jan 06, 6 PM - 9 PM
Turn a Natural Edge Bowl, Thu, Jan 07, 6 PM - 9 PM
Woodworking for Women, Mon, Jan 11, 6 PM - 9 PM
Carve a Horned Lark, Tue, Jan 12, 6 PM - 9 PM
Wood Preparation Using the Planer, Jointer & Table, Wed, Jan 13, 6 PM - 9 PM
GIFT TURNING DAY, Sun, Jan 17, 11 AM - 3:30 PM
Bandsaw 101, Mon, Jan 18, 6 PM - 9 PM
Band Saw Box Making, Wed, Jan 20, 6 PM - 9 PM
Basic Cabinet Construction 6 Week Session, Thu, Jan 21 & 28, Feb 4, 11, 18, 25, 6 PM - 9 PM
Raised Panel Doors on A Router Table, Mon, Jan 25, 6 PM - 9 PM
Table Saw Fundamentals, Wed, Jan 27, 6 PM - 9 PM
Donated door prizes

Thank you to everyone who donated door prizes for the Holiday Party!

Toys donated by the Guild members to Women’s Shelters.

Thank you to Jerry Tackes and Tom Schuppe for taking pictures at the Holiday Party.
More Toys

Thank you to all the Guild members and helpers who prepared toys for the children. Can you imagine their delight when they opened their gifts?
NOTE: Meeting has changed to the 1st Thursday of the month.

NOTE: Meeting location at Woodcraft, lower level.

WWG Monthly Meeting
Thursday, January 07, 2010
Meeting Location:
Woodcraft
14115 W. Greenfield Ave
(Greenfield and Sunny Slope)
New Berlin, WI 53151
Phone: (262) 785-6770

Topic: Everything about clocks
Presenter: William Galinsky

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Woodcraft Parking
Woodcraft has requested that Guild members park in the western side of the parking area.
This will leave the area nearest the store for customer parking.