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Ron's Ramblings



Ron Reuter
Guild President

Hello Everyone,

If you didn't go to the Christmas Party this year, you missed a really good time. Our resident 'Christmas Elves' came through again. The number and selection of toys was unbelievable. If I'm not mistaken, this is the 34th year they've been making toys and delivering them to women's shelters. And there's no doubt that they brought a little more joy to the youngsters at these shelters. Many thanks to all involved, especially to Norm Lange. He did an excellent job organizing, getting materials, and delivering to the shelters. Thank you, Norm!

The entertainment was also unreal. The audience participation is always a

nice thing to see. That time always seems to fly. Thank you, Don, for booking Glen Gerard. Hey Don, do you know any "Mind Readers"? Maybe for next year!

Our Woodworker of the Year was George Egenhoefer, an exceptionally well-deserved recipient. Please be sure to congratulate him when you see him!

And as usual, Meyer's put out a very good meal for all of us. Good food, good service, Thank You Meyer's. See you next year.

My wife and I hope all of you had a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and are planning a HAPPY AND SAFE NEW YEAR.

Work safe and share your hobby!

Ron & Chris Reuter

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Reflections

Everyone I spoke with had high praise for Glen Gerard, our entertainer for the evening.

He has entertained at corporate functions for Anheuser Busch, Amway Global, GE Healthcare, John Deere, WE Energies and Wells Fargo to name a few. He has performed on Disney Cruise Lines and Norwegian Cruise Lines and has performed for Milwaukee Brewers, Milwaukee Bucks and Green Bay Packers. The Milwaukee Brewers call him, "A major league entertainer!" And FOX Television Network says, "Glen Gerard is the TOP MIDWEST MAGICIAN & Illusionist!"

He certainly lived up to the hype! As one of the top Milwaukee-area magicians

and entertainers, he kept his audience spell-bound throughout the entire show. He included a generous amount of audience participation, some at the expense (and delight!) of Norm Lange and Andy Wagner!

Glen performs for hundreds of private events each year for corporations, cruise ships, casinos, etc. He has appeared in Las Vegas, Nevada and a variety of venues all over Wisconsin and the Midwest. If you would like him to perform for another group, please don't hesitate to recommend him! Refer event organizers to his website <http://www.magic4you.com/>. Call him at 262-250-1234, or send him an e-mail at glengerard@wi.rr.com.

Don Doss, RIPS AW co-editor

DUES ARE DUE!

Don't miss a single issue of RIPS AW!
Complete the renewal form on page 4 and send in or bring to a meeting.

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Woodcraft Class Schedule - Tuition assessed

Rasic Router Tecniques with Dan McClanahan, Tue, Jan 10, 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Hand Planes with Kevin Seigworth, Sat., Jan 28, 9:30am - 3:30pm

Woodcraft Demonstrations

Pen Turning, Saturday, Jan 14, 1pm

Hand-Carving, Saturday, Jan 21, 1pm

For further details, contact Woodcraft of Milwaukee: 14115 W. Greenfield Ave., New Berlin, 262-765-6770

Rockler Class Schedule - Tuition assessed

No classes are scheduled for January, 2017.

Rockler Demonstrations

Full Spectrum Laser with Rotary Attachment, Sat, Jan 7, 11am

Time Saving Sanding, Sat, Jan 14, 11am

Refinishing with Chalk Style Paint, Sat, Jan 21, 11am

Drill Press Operations, Sat, Jan 28, 11am

For further details, contact Rockler: 1725 S 108th St., West Allis, 414-774-1882

Woodworkers Gym

The Woodworker's Gym is a public-access woodworking shop owned and managed by Guild member Dan Meissner. He is looking to tap into the vast experience of Guild members for part-time shop monitors. Please find some time to stop by, tour the facility and chat.

Special rates are available for Guild members. Call 262-373-9411 for more information.

The Woodworker's Gym is located at 3220 N. 126th St. in Brookfield, just a half-mile west of I-41/US-45 on Burleigh Rd., open Tuesday-Sunday beginning at 11 a.m.

On the first day of college, the Dean addressed the students: "The female dormitory is out-of-bounds for all male students, and the male dormitory to the female students. Anybody caught breaking this rule will be fined \$20 the first time. The second time you will be fined \$60. A third time will cost you \$180. Are there any questions?"

Ole Oleson, checking in as a freshman student inquired, "How much for a season pass?"

Lena found a pen in her purse and asked Ole if it was his. "Let me see it," says Ole and he tries it out. "Yep, it's mine. I recognize the handwriting."

Lena recently had her credit card stolen. But Ole isn't complaining. So far the thief is spending less than Lena.

Friends of the Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild

Homestead Finishing Products, Cleveland, OH
(216) 631-5309 www.homesteadfinishing.com

Rockler's (The Woodworker's Store) 1725 S 108th St, West Allis, (414) 774-1882

Neu's Hardware Tools Paint, N95W16915 Falls Parkway, Menomonee Falls, WI 53051
Phone: 262-251-6550

Woodcraft, 14115 W. Greenfield Ave New Berlin, WI 53151 Phone: (262) 785-6770

Woodline USA (800) 472-6950

WOODWORKER'S FIRST AID KIT

As we begin a new year, it's appropriate that we spend some time examining the contents of our Woodworker's First Aid Kit. The ideas presented here are assembled from Marc Spagnuolo's website, <http://www.thewoodwhisperer.com/videos/a-woodworkers-first-aid-kit/>. On this website,



you'll find a video detailing the contents of the first aid kit he assembled. He had discovered in his research that typical first aid kits come with a bunch of stuff woodworkers don't really need in the wood shop. While there are certainly other injuries woodworkers might experience, the most common will be cuts, splinters, amputation, and debris in the eye. So the primary components of the Woodworker's First Aid Kit will address those injuries.

First, a caveat: the information provided here is presented as an overview of what may be desirable to include in a first aid kit for woodworkers. It is NOT intended to be a catch-all to cover every conceivable injury that a woodworker might sustain. Note also that this information doesn't include instructions on how to use the first aid items. The items included in this kit are safe if used properly. Do your own research and get instructions on how to use them.

Marc started with an empty first aid box, pictured above, that he found online. I found the same box on eBay which I purchased for \$24.99 with free shipping.

Based on his research, Marc then selected items for his first aid kit that addressed each the aforementioned categories.

Cuts & Lacerations

Various Band-Aids – Marc prefers the strong, heavy-duty bandages and selects a variety of sizes and shapes. Knuckle and finger-tip bandages are a favorite in Marc's shop.

Butterfly Strips and Steri-Strips – Great for holding wounds closed.

Gauze Pads – For larger wounds where a Band-Aid just won't do.



Gauze Roll

Tape – Holds gauze pads in place.

CA Glue – Can be used to "stitch" a wound closed.

Quick Clot – Stops bleeding fast!

Antibiotic Ointment – Applied to wounds when they can't be cleaned thoroughly.

Splinters

Tweezerman Tweezers – Heavy-duty and very sharp tweezers for digging out nasty splinters.

Magnifying Headset

Some splinters are so small that you need magnification to see the details.



Amputation

Tourniquet – For applying pressure at amputation site.

Instant Cold Pack – To keep the amputated part cool.

Zip-Lock Bag – To transport the amputated part.



Eye Injuries

Eyewash Station – A sterile saline solution to help flush debris out of the eye.

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Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild Board Briefs – November 17, 2016

Attendees: Ron Reuter, Leila Crandall-Frink, Don Doss

Treasury Balance: NA

Membership: Paid 2016 membership is at 116 members.

Secretary: NA

Other: This month's meeting was held early due to Thanksgiving. Auctioning off an extra toy, from the holiday toys, has been dropped. Open positions were discussed, no one has offered to fill any of them. Ron is working on a 2017 Budget, We would like to see what kind of money we are working with in the course of a year. Deadline is coming fast for the Christmas Party reservations. Party at Meyer's as usual. Meeting concluded after about an hour and 15 min.

A reminder that all items for publication in the Ripsaw should be sent to both Leila Crandall-Frink (leila.frink@gmail.com) and Don Doss (FourPartHarmony@att.net).

Respectfully Submitted, Ron Reuter for Ken Ochs

QUOTES OF THE FAMOUS

"It's not me who can't keep a secret . . . it's the people I tell that can't." *Abraham Lincoln*

"It's kind of fun to do the impossible." *Walt Disney*

POINTS TO PONDER

I was thinking about how a status symbol of today is those cell phones that everyone has clipped onto their belt or purse. I can't afford one. So I'm wearing my garage door opener.

I was thinking that women should put pictures of missing husbands on beer cans!

I was thinking about how people seem to read the Bible a whole lot more as they get older. Then it dawned on me. They were cramming for their final.

As for me, I'm just hoping God grades on the curve.

MORE POINTS TO PONDER

The sole purpose of a child's middle name is so he can tell when he's really in trouble.

Did you ever notice: When you put the 2 words 'The' and 'IRS' together it spells 'Theirs...!'

Ah! Being young is beautiful . . . but being old is comfortable.

BOARD OPENING

Here's a wonderful opportunity to take a more active role in Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild. Kevin Seigworth has advised that he will not be able to continue as Membership Director next year. He will be around to tutor whoever steps in. Please discuss this position with Kevin at our next meeting to get a feel for what is required. Being somewhat computer savvy would be very desirable. If you believe, after talking with Kevin, that you could handle this task, please see me so that I can forward your name to the Nominating Committee. **THANK YOU!**

Ron Reuter

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Marc's video generated a lot of positive comments as well as some suggestions that deserve noting here. Some of those noted that working safely is a great way to avoid injury. Read, understand and follow all the instructions for every tool you use. And at the very least, wear safety glasses and use push blocks. It was pointed out by a pharmacist that expiration dates on applicable items in the kit

should be checked regularly. Another suggestion was to take a first aid class and/or get certification from the local Red Cross. And finally, make sure there is a working fire extinguisher close at hand.

Let's all stay safe so we can keep working wood!

*Assembled and respectfully offered,
Don Doss*

Notice: For sale items now on WWG Website.

Please check out our 'For Sale' page(s) on the WWG Website which is updated regularly. Go to <http://wiscwoodworkersguild.org/ForSaleETC.html>. Although the listings are screened for interest to our members, WWG is not responsible for the accuracy of the listings or for the quality of the products. Caveat emptor - "Let the buyer beware".

Dave Steingart, Webmaster

AMISH TOUR & WORKSHOP

Reuben Miller is again opening his woodshop doors to our Guild to see him make his infamous steam-bent chair - from the ground up! This is a 3-day tour that starts on a Thursday. We arrive at Brush Creek Inn, a great bed & breakfast spot, for a 2-night stay. Friday is an all-day workshop at Reuben's VERY unique woodshop. Reuben finishes the chair Saturday morning and we head for home Saturday afternoon with stops at some Amish shops and a super fast bandsaw mill. Dates being considered are January 26-27-28 and February 9-10-11. Check your calendars and get back to Jay ASAP!



SANTA'S WORKSHOP





RENEWAL FORM
Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild

- ❖ Good Fellowship
- ❖ Education
- ❖ Exchange of Knowledge
- ❖ Amateurs
- ❖ Professionals

Meetings (usually)
 First Thursday of each month. 7:00 – 9:00 PM
 Woodcraft – lower level
 14115 W. Greenfield Ave.
 New Berlin, WI 53151

Renewal dues are \$35.00/yr., due Jan 1st

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

New address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **ZIP:** _____ **Phone:** _____

E-mail address (where the newsletter will be sent): _____

How long have you been a woodworker? _____

How did you hear about WWG? Friend Internet Woodworking Show Other _____

Please make checks payable to Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild
Send completed form with check to:
Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild
W326S8905 Stone Brook Pass, Mukwonago, WI 53149

PLEASE SHARE YOUR SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE & EXPERIENCE!

Without the volunteer efforts of our members, Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild would not exist. You can increase the value of your membership by working with us in the day-to-day operations of our organization. If you have skills, knowledge or experience to share, please don't hesitate to offer your services. Here are a few areas to consider:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibits | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter (photography, articles) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workshop | <input type="checkbox"/> Library |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Woodworking Show Booth | <input type="checkbox"/> Audio-Visual |
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Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild
c/o Don Doss
7241 W. Squire Ave.
Greenfield, WI 53220

Regular meetings now start at 6:30pm. Depart no later than 9:00pm.

Upcoming Programs & Events

January 5, 2017	Felisha Wild - cutting boards
February 2, 2017	Matt Gatchell - scroll saws / bowls
March 2, 2017	Ken Collins - Amazon selling

Ken Collins is Leila's son!

Jay is working with Gary Rogowski for a return engagement (he spoke to us on routers in 2001).