

# R. I. P. S. A.W.

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# **Ron's Ramblings**

Hello Everyone,

#### New Meeting Time Is 6:30 pm.

The June meeting is one of my favorites. I enjoy seeing what other members are up to, in woodworking. If you didn't walk away learning something, you weren't paying attention. One member told me, "That went too fast". I think he was right.

Now, I'm looking forward to "Show-N-Tell" next month. Don't forget to

bring in your projects and jigs to share.

Congratulations to Jay Pilling for winning the Wood Identification Challenge at Kettle Moraine Hardwoods. 10 out of 16 is not bad at all. Way to represent the "Guild", Jay.

I hope some of you signed up for the "Bob Dickey" box making course. When your done, please bring in the finished product and show it at a show-n-tell.

Work safe and share your hobby! Ronald Reuter



Ron Reuter Guild President

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### Reflections

Every year our June meetings demonstrate the enormous talent possessed by our members. This year was no exception. Coming out of the woodwork this year was Jerry Tackes who demonstrated some unique measuring tools and techniques, Leila Crandall-Frink who demonstrated making Christmas ornaments using reed strips. Dave Drickhamer who demonstrated how to make mushrooms and a wooden mallet on the lathe. Ron Hinderman who demonstrated how to make a Salt & Pepper Shaker on the lathe, Jay Pilling who demonstrated costeffective tool sharpening techniques, and Greg Waldo who demonstrated how to use an airbrush.

# Measuring Tools & Schemes, Jerry Tackes

Jerry demonstrated several measuring tools and measuring schemes to increase the accuracy of your woodworking. One example was using a ruler to measure the length of a board by placing the desired number on the ruler on the edge of the



board and mark the board using the end of

the ruler as a guide. The marking tool itself makes a difference in accuracy. A straight marking knife as the best, next is a 0.5mm pencil, then a 0.7mm pencil, and lastly a regular wooden pencil.

#### Christmas Decorations with Reed Strips, Leila Crandall-Frink

Leila demonstrated this process by making 3-D heart and star ornaments from wood veneer. She begin with



veneer that is 1/4-inch wide and 1/42-inch thick. The strips come in 5-foot lengths. Leila uses either cherry or maple. Both work equally well. One online source for the strips is East Troy Basketry. They list them as 'accent strips' and sell them in a package of 8 strips for \$8.00.

Other supplies you'll need are sharp scissors (preferably not your spouses' good scissors), and a small bottle of warm water with a spray nozzle. Also a small ruler and a small container of super glue (she uses the gel style because it stays where she puts it and she gets less on her fingers). You also need about

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#### Woodcraft Class Schedule - Tuition assessed

Basic Router Techniques with Dan McClanahan,

Tuesday, July 12, 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Turn an Ice Cream Paddle & Pizza Cutter with Melanie Wegner, Thursday, July 14, 6:00pm -

9:00pm

Hand-Cut Dove Tail Techniques with Kevin Seigworth, Saturday, July 16, 9:30am - 3:30pm

Woodworking for Women with Dan

McClanahan, Monday, July 18, 5:00pm - 9:00pm

Bandsaw Techniques with Tom Yapundich, Thursday, July 21, 6:00pm - 9:00pm

DYI with Gel Stain with Sheryl Monahan,

Monday, July 25, 6:00pm - 9:00pm

#### **Woodcraft Demonstrations**

Sharpening, Saturday, July 9, 1:00pm

Outdoor Finishes, Saturday, July 16th, 1:00pm

For further details, contact Woodcraft of Milwaukee: 14115 W. Greenfield Ave., New

Berlin, 262-765-6770

#### Rockler Class Schedule - Tuition assessed

Beginning Bowl Turning with Gary Datka, Friday, July 8, 1pm - 4:30pm

Segmented Bowl Turning I with Gary Datka, Saturday, July 9, 11:30am - 5:30pm

Acrylic Pen Turning with Gary Datka, Wednesday, July 13, 5:30pm - 7pm

Segmented Bowl Turning II with Gary Datka, Saturday, July 16, 9:30am - 3:30pm

Segmented Bowl Turning III with Gary Datka, Sunday, July 24, 11am - 3pm

#### **Rockler Demonstrations**

Coping Made Simple, Saturday, July 2, 11am Wood Turning Techniques, Saturday, July 9, 11am Router Table Techniques, Saturday, July 16, 11am Table Saw Techniques, Saturday, July 23, 11am Wood Finishing Techniques, Saturday, July 30, 11am

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

#### Friends of the Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild

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8 small clamps (available from your local hardware store – she gets hers from Menards).

#### **Mushrooms & Mallet Turning, Dave Drirkhamer**

Dave demonstrated how to turn a one-piece mallet from a piece of 3"x3"x12" cherry. He also demonstrated how to turn mushrooms from a freshly cut branch. To make the mallet, he started by using a large roughing gouge to make the cherry piece round, and then a 1-1/4" skew to





shape the mallet and the handle. Continuing with the skew, he then did a series of planing cuts to create the general shape, and then used finishing cuts to smooth. By using the skew, he was able to finish the project with very little sanding.

#### Salt & Pepper Mill, Ron Hinderman

Ron turned a Salt and Pepper Mill from cherry burl. He started by rough-turning to a round shape between centers. He then drilled two holes, first a 1-1/2"



recess hole, 3/8" deep, then a 1-1/16" hole clear through the blank to accommodate the pepper mill action. He then parted the handle off. He turned the pepper mill body around and drilled a 1-1/2" recess hole, 3/8" deep, to receive the salt shaker part. Finally, he installed what would be top knob onto the lathe and drilled it to accommodate the top part of the salt mill.



Ron has many Burls for sale, from small to large, in cherry, maple, birch, oak, etc. If you're interested, call him at 262-549-9614 or e-mail to

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#### **Tool Sharpening, Jay Pilling**

Twist Drills: Twist drills can be sharpened very quickly by hand. You just need good magnification and keep the lips at equal lengths and angles. This takes practice but the results are well worth the effort.

Brad Point Bits: Brad point bits can only be touched up

with a tapered, round, diamond hone. Just follow the ground angles. DO NOT use your grinder on these.

Forstner Bits: With Forstner drill bits, a flat diamond hone is used. As with brad point bits, follow the ground angles and just keep the cutting edges sharp (honed). No Grinding Required!!!

*Machine Taps*: Used machine taps can be restored to like new conditions for wood purposes.



The leading or cutting edge is the only place to grind, and only enough to remove nicks and dull points on the teeth.

One final thought regarding sharpening/honing: if you look directly at the edge and you see a surface, it's NOT SHARP.

Try these suggestions and you'll discover that working with sharp tools is much more enjoyable than working with dull ones.

#### Airbrush Use in Woodworking, Greg Waldo

An airbrush is a small paint sprayer but that's where

the similarity ends. An airbrush provides the user with much greater precision. And you can increase the precision capabilities by buying a more expensive airbrush. This precision was demonstrated by spraying a small heart-shaped woven basket (made by Leila). Use the following tips and you'll



be well on your way to becoming a master of the airbrush.

- PRACTICE!
- Be sure to thoroughly clean your airbrush after every use
- Thin only when necessary and only with the manufacturer's recommended thinner
- Add thinner gradually, stirring thoroughly before testing on a scrap you'll probably find that a consistency (viscosity) similar to 2% milk is about right
- Start with the lowest nozzle and pressure settings and increase as needed – with a siphon-feed sprayer/airbrush, 20psi should get past the siphonfeed action threshold

Thanks so much for sharing your expertise Jerry, Leila, Dave, Ron, Jay and Greg!

Don Doss, RIPSAW Co-editor

#### Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild Board Briefs - June 2, 2016

Attendees: Ron Reuter, Greg Waldo, Jay Pilling, Don Doss, Leila Crandall-Frink, Kevin Seigworth, and Ken Ochs

Treasury Balance: \$6,053.18

**Membership:** Paid 2016 membership is at 115 members.

**Secretary:** Fifty-one (51) members/guests attended the June meeting

**Other:** The August Board meeting will be at Ron's house. At the July WWG meeting, we will ask for a volunteer for Nominating Committee Chairperson. Duties are to form a small committee and present a slate of officer and director candidates at the September meeting. See page 2 for a list of the positions. The program calendar for the remainder of 2016 is complete. See page 8. Next year is wide open.

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, Ken Ochs

#### POINTS TO PONDER . . .

I was taking my walk in the local shopping center and stopped at a kiosk that only sells sunglasses. As I was looking over their stock, the young lady behind the counter asked, "what brings you in today?" I said, "I'm interested in buying a refrigerator."

The older you get, the tougher it is to lose weight. That's because your body and your fat have gotten to be really good friends.

Eventually, you will reach a point in your life when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.

#### FOR SALE

These items have been put up for sale by a former woodworker who suffered a heart attack while working alone in his shop a few years ago. He has made a remarkable recovery but, despite having spent a considerable sum on woodworking equipment prior to his illness, he is no longer interested in pursuing our beloved hobby. These are all top-shelf items which have been heavily discounted. If you are interested in any listed item, please contact Ron Reuter.

Oneida dust collection system with a 5HP motor. Never used. Originally purchased for over \$4,000. Asking \$3,000.

Delta Shaper—never used. Asking \$1,500.

Delta Planer (20"?). Asking \$1,300.

4/4 and 5/4 dried pecan

#### FLASH!!

Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild just hit a home run! Appearing at our Holiday Event this year will be none other than Glen Gerard who, according to FOX Television Network, is the Top Magician and Illusionist in the Midwest! Be sure to put this event on your calendar NOW so you don't let anything interfere with you and your significant other attending December 1st!



# JEWELRY BOX WORKSHOP

Bob Dickey attended our June meeting to sign up those interested in attending a Jewelry Box Workshop. Bob is willing to work individually or with a small group. There are two options. One would be a handson workshop where each person would build a jewelry box similar to the one pictured. This class would require two very full days (a couple of consecutive Saturdays, Sundays, or a mix) and could serve a maximum of six students. The cost for this workshop is \$260, including all materials.

The date(s) and times of the workshop would be determined and would necessarily be based on Bob's availability as well as yours. If you are interested, **please contact Bob Dickey and make your arrangements,** At the time of this writing, Bob is relatively flexible after the last week in April, and July 24 - 31. The second weekend in August is out, as is October 28 - November 8<sup>th</sup>.

Contact Bob at his business and let him know of your interest. Bob's number at Woodline is 262-378-9255.



## **Notice**

The 15th Annual Woodlanders Gathering, Rustic Arts and Nature Crafts Workshops July 7-10, 2016 Shake Rag Alley School for the Arts Mineral Point, Wisconsin

Celebrating its15th year at our non-profit school for the arts, Shake Rag Alley in Mineral Point, Wisconsin, this unique event offers over 40 workshops to choose from, more than 20 talented instructors to work with creating rustic furniture, garden structures, woodcarvings, and other nature based projects using hand tools and natural materials like fresh green bendable willow, recycled wood, twigs and branches, gourds, stone, leather, plants, cement, metal, and more.

For details: http://www.shakeragalley.com/woodlanders-16

#### June Raffle & Door Prize Winners

Lucky raffle winners in June were: Don Doss (2), Gary Emerich, Lyle Husar, Norm Lange, Jim Murphy, Ron Reuter, Larry Teufel, and Jack Whitstone (2)

Door prize winners were: Lewis Enderle, Leila Frank, Mike Mitten, Steve Soltes, and Larry Whitstone

Congratulations to all the winners.

#### **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 rate for Guild members: get a 10%

discount on memberships and classes! 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.

**Notice:** For sale items now on WWG Website.

There is a new section on our WWG Website, updated regularly by our webmaster, Dave Steingart. Check it out at <a href="http://wiscwoodworkersguild.org/ForSaleETC.html">http://wiscwoodworkersguild.org/ForSaleETC.html</a>. 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". Thank you Dave.

## Show and Tell - June 2016

















# Glen Gerard Magician & Illusionist

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# Remember the meeting will now start at 6:30 with the board meeting at 5:30

# **Upcoming Programs & Events**

July 7, 2016 Annual Show 'n Tell - time to expound on your favorite project!

August 4, 2016 **NO REGULAR MEETING!** However, the board will be meeting to review the

current year, and what we can do to make the coming year even better. Be sure to

share your thoughts with a board member.

September 1, 2016 James Wilsing - Native American Flutes

October 6, 2016 Jerry Anson - making and decorating a flask

November 3, 2016 Not confirmed yet but Jay is working on having a SketchUp presentation

December 1, 2016 Holiday Party!