



July 2007

*Encouraging all woodworkers in
self-expression, craftsmanship and knowledge*

Mark Your Calendar for

Tuesday, July 17th, 7-9pm

Al Cummons - More router techniques

Al Cummons will demonstrate the use of inlay templates for use with your router. Templates can be purchased or made to create beautiful and easy inlays for all sorts of applications. The router makes it easy to create both the inlay piece and the space for it to be placed. Al will guide us on this useful technique and take questions afterwards.

Jeffco County Fair

August 11th is the date the Guild is again participating in the Jeffco County Fair. We will again be providing bird house kits for children to assemble at no charge to them. Several members have committed their time to cut out these kits and we hope to have 100 of them this year. I am still looking for a few volunteers to help in staffing the show. This year we are requiring there be a parent or adult to help the child with assembly so our people will only have to supervise handing out the kits and tools.

This was a popular event with the kids last year and we went through our supply of kits in just a few quick hours. Contact John Hammer to make a child's day more fun this year. It will be fun for you too.

John Hammer: Phone - 303.972.8065

E-mail - jvhammer@msn.com

Upcoming meetings

July 17th: Rockler, 2553 So. Colorado Blvd., Denver
Al Cummons - More Router techniques

August 21st: TBA

Visit our web site for latest updates on meetings and locations:

www.coloradowoodworkersguild.org

The 2007 Craftsman Show

Plans for this year's Colorado Woodworkers Guild Craftsman Show are in progress. We are tentatively planning on holding it at Rockler on two weekends. October 26th through 28th, and November 2nd through 4th. Start planning your entry now. This is always a great show and you will want to be a part of it this year.

There will be an opening night gala with refreshments and live music with the guild's own Log Jam, many of which are professional musicians. If you play an instrument and would like to participate, contact John Hammer or Fred Matzen. If you were at last year's party at Red Rocks Community College, you saw and heard Fred and Robbie O'Brien perform a little impromptu jam on Robbie's beautiful instruments.

This promises to be an exciting event so don't miss it this year.

John Hammer - 303.972.8065 - jvhammer@msn.com

Election Changes in the By-laws

The board has decided to revise the by-laws. Elections will be held this year for President and Vice President in September. The elected officers will then attend the October and November board meetings and take office in January of 2008. This will allow the new officers time to learn what is required of them before taking office.

Bill Hoppers
President

From the President

First I would like to thank everyone for their calls and prayers. It's been four and one -half months and I still don't have useful vision.

Second, I would like to thank Bob Betting for stepping up and doing a great job while I was laid-up. Thank you for all of your patience.

The Woodworking Show at the Merchandise Mart will be November 16th-18th. Please make plans to exhibit a piece of your work.

The Guild Craftsman Show is tentatively scheduled for the weekends of Oct. 5-7 and Oct. 12-14. Setup will be the week of Sept. 30-Oct. 4. Last pickup date will be Oct. 16 at our regular meeting. Once again, make plans to exhibit some of your work. The show will be held at Rockler. We need a few more volunteers for both shows.

Bill Hoppers
President

Web Site News

New FORUM installed

I have installed a new FORUM for members only. Feel free to use this to discuss anything wood related. There is also one area to discuss ANYTHING so jump in and have fun.

You MUST be logged in to see the forum. Once you have logged in the menu on the left will show FORUMS just below NEWSLETTERS. Clicking on this link will take you to the new forums. A tutorial on how to use them will follow but for anyone that has used one before it should be easy.

If you find that we need another area that I haven't covered please let me know and I will consider adding it in.

webmaster@coloradowoodworkersguild.org

Web Site Tutorial

I Can't Remember My Password

You can have your password emailed to you when you have forgotten it. Just click on the "LOST PASSWORD?" link below the LOGIN button and enter your info from there. It will then send you your password in an e-mail within minutes. You will need to know your USERNAME and the E-MAIL you have registered with the Guild.

You can change your USERNAME AND/OR your PASSWORD after you login if you would prefer something more familiar.

After you login, click on the YOUR PROFILE link on the right MEMBERS ONLY menu. Here you will see a blank image with a silhouette of a person and your info to the right of it. Just above the image there is an EDIT button. Place the mouse cursor over that and you will see two options: UPDATE YOUR PROFILE and UPDATE YOUR IMAGE. Click on UPDATE YOUR PROFILE and you will see a screen with areas to change your password and add or change any other info may want to. If you want to add even more information about yourself, click on the TAB that says ADDITIONAL INFO. Click on the UPDATE button at the bottom when you are finished to save the information. Remember that no one but other members can see your information, and even they can only see a limited amount of it, so feel free to add what you want.

If you want to add an image of yourself, just click on the UPDATE YOUR IMAGE from that same EDIT button.

Frederick R. Matzen
der Webmeister

Bob Betting Steps Down

Sadly, Bob Betting has had to step down as Guild Vice President due to health and time constraints. We will miss him. He has done an outstanding job after being thrust into the fire with little notification. John Hammer will step into the position temporarily until elections in September, when a new Vice President will be elected.

Pines Picnic Ponderings

This years Picnic at the most Honorable President Bill Hoppers house was a great success. We had fried chicken and many other dishes brought by attendees and a wonderful time was enjoyed by all.

It was especially satisfying to be able to actually sit and visit with people from our guild and talk about: "how they played the guitar", "how they enjoyed their grandchildren, and many other subjects that normal people talk about. We did talk about different woodworking subjects, but mostly it was just folks having an enjoyable time visiting and enjoying some good food. It offered a time to visit and actually get to know some people more than the typical glance at a monthly meeting. By the way, we have a lot of really great people in this group!

I have said in the past and I think it really is true: "The guild is very simply a group of friends who just happen to share the hobby of woodworking". If you did not, or could not attend, we missed you. Looking forward, we will have other opportunities for more fun and fellowship and we hope that everyone takes advantage of them to make new friends.

Christopher A. Pine
Treasurer



Curtis Welton - Segmented bowl

Green Wood Mailing List

I have made a new contact recently with a man who has a tree removal service. He recently cut down a very large maple tree and was looking for some people to take it away for firewood. I was shocked at the idea of BURNING good Maple so I spoke with him and let you all know that some green Maple was available. He has agreed to let me know when he has more large trees to remove and I will pass on this information to anyone who is interested. I have started an E-MAIL ONLY notification list for those who would like to help salvage this wood before it goes to complete waste. If you are interested, just send me an e-mail at greenwood@coloradowoodworkersguild.org along with your name and I will put you on the list.

I am sorry that this has to be an e-mail only list, but most of the notification at this point is time sensitive and I do not have the free time to put out a mail alert quickly enough. If this changes in the future I will let everyone know.

I would also like to think about putting together a committee which would work out details on green wood recovery and what/how we can deal with a large amount of trees that are cut down and hauled away for firewood, or worse yet, trash.

In the coming months I hope to have a series of articles on how to use Green Wood. From working with the fresh wood, still green to how it should be cut and dried and stacked for best use later. If you have any expertise with any of these areas I would love to talk with you or have you write an article on the subject.

Frederick R. Matzen

Free Wood for Toys

Mark Klosky has procured some damaged doors that a few of the members got together and helped knock down into smaller pieces. He currently has these stored at his shop for use on the Christmas Toys Program. Please contact him or Bill Huffers about getting some for your toy project.

Mark **Klosky** - 303-722-9712 or 303-906-1197

GUILD MEMBER DISCOUNTS

20% off of purchases at

The Hardwood Emporium

16043 W. 4th Ave., Golden CO. 80401
303-277-1488

10% off at:

Abilene Awards & Logos

1730 S. Abilene, Aurora, CO. 80012
303-755-0337

Centennial Wood Co.

985 S. Logan, Denver, CO.
303-778-6209

Charlie's Secondhand Store

2227 Larimer St., Denver, CO.
303-295-1781

Paxton

4837 Jackson St., Denver, CO.
303-399-6047

Rockler Woodworking and Hardware

2553 S. Colorado Blvd., Denver, CO.
303-782-0588

TC Woods

9776 Arapahoe Rd., Lafayette, CO.
303-494-0425

Woodcraft

4403 S. Tamarac Parkway, Denver, CO.
303-290-0007

Offers Contractor Discount (roughly 20%)

Austin Hardwoods

975 W. Mississippi, Denver, CO.
303-733-1292

HAVE YOU CHECKED OUT OUR WEB SITE?

Hopefully, all of you have had an opportunity to check out the CWG web site at www.coloradowoodworkersguild.org.

You need to be a member to access the entire site but everyone can see some of what goes on.

If you are a member and have not received access, please contact the webmaster at: webmaster@coloradowoodworkersguild.org

Photo Gallery

If you have photos of your woodworking projects or from any of the Guild's events, you can create your own gallery after you login to the site. Or bring a CD/Floppy/Flash card with your photos to a CWG monthly meeting and give it to one of the Board Members.

Classified Ads

Got Stuff to Sell? Looking for Stuff to Buy? Please check out our web site's Classified Ads feature to post your ads and see what others need or have to offer.

WOOD OF THE MONTH

Paxton:

Red Oak 4/4, 8'-10' - \$2.35 BF
Walnut 4/4, 6' - \$4.25 BF

Hardwood Emporium:

No charge on surfacing and straightening.

Centennial:

Overstock and overrun Mouldings
Various types of wood
Great Savings
Must come look - please do not call

Board Members

President:

Bill Hoppers
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OPEN
John Hammer - Temp.

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Deputies of the Board

OPEN

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Christmas Toy Program
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303-283-8982

Membership Coordinator
Ron Vanous
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Yahoo Group Moderator
Carl Beck
carl@carlbeck.com

Not yet a Member?

We invite you to join now. Here are some of the benefits of becoming a member:

Monthly Guild Meetings -- Here woodworkers from novices to highly skilled craftsmen can meet, network, solicit advice, share ideas, and learn

Annual Craftsman Show -- The woodworkers' showcase! A world-class exhibit featuring pieces created by our diverse and talented guild members

Christmas Toys Program -- A great opportunity for novices to work side-by-side with and learn from experienced craftsmen, and in the process create fabulous toys for underprivileged children

Field Trips -- To local lumber yards, mills and workshops

Monthly Newsletter -- That includes meeting announcements, free classified ads and much, much more...

Membership in the Colorado Woodworkers Guild is \$30 per year.

To join, provide the information requested below and return with your \$30 check to:

Colorado Woodworkers Guild

P.O. Box 100996

Denver, CO. 80250-0996

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Board Meeting Minutes

To conserve space in the newsletter for articles of interest to our Guild members, we no longer publish the Board Meeting Minutes each month. Copies of the minutes are available upon request by contacting a Guild officer.

Visit our web site for the latest information and late breaking announcements:

www.coloradowoodworkersguild.org

Guild Business:

Monthly Board Meeting

The next CWG Board Member Meeting will be July 23rd, 6 p.m. at Villa Del Sol Mexican Food, 6026 W. Alameda Ave., Lakewood, CO.

The meeting is open to all members. If you have suggestions on CWG speakers, topics, events or activities, please feel free to contact any Board Member or attend the Board Member meeting.

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