

Encouraging all woodworkers in self-expression, craftsmanship and knowledge

September 2010

President's Message: Educational Benefits



Your Guild offers many opportunities to learn new skills and methods during the year. Such learning is usually one of the benefits of greatest interest to our members. Our programming is intended to address these educational needs across a wide

range of interests from turning, to cabinet making, furniture, musical instruments, and tool tune-up and use. In addition to the monthly program offerings, we are striving to host "master classes" during the year. Last year we hosted Darrell Peart doing his two day Arts and Crafts presentation about Greene and Greene design. This year we have engaged Ethan Hutchinson to give us a two day class on sculptured chairs. Eventually we would like to offer two such events each year, one in the Spring and one in the Fall.

Members have voiced the desire to see some additional educational benefits, especially to have a library and some mentoring service. Both are feasible, but will depend upon a small number of volunteers to step up and help develop the offerings. We have the beginnings of a library with recent donations of magazines and a number of VHS tapes. Over time, we could develop a fine offering, with books, magazines, tapes and DVDs. To start with we will need a cabinet to keep all of the holdings, from which we could checkout materials to members. So, the need here is for a cabinet and a librarian and a system for taking in materials and then checking them out.

Also of interest to several members is a mentoring program. Other similar guilds, associations and clubs offer such benefits, which are frequently touted by the members. To do this, we would need some of our most experienced members to offer some of their time for one-on-one teaching. Such a program can be structured with some clear objectives identified, tailored to the needs of the student.

CWG Calendar

Sept 21 7:00 Rockler, 2553 S. Colorado Blvd.

Dovetail Bonanza

October 19 7:00 Rockler, 2553 S. Colorado Blvd.

President's Message cont.

A mentoring program would be a benefit to the experienced members (as they say, there is no learning experience like working to teach others) and to those eager to learn novices.

Let me know if you have an interest in either of these two additional benefits, a library or a mentoring program.

Lindy Baer

Our New Logo

The new logo will be ready to present to the membership soon.

Lindy Baer

CWG Website

We are making progress with the rebuilding of our website. We should have a functioning site by the end of September, though a few features will be delayed until October.

Lindy Baer

New Shows and Exhibits Committee

For the past several years Bill Hoppers has been coordinating the Shows and Exhibits Committee for the Guild. He has been the driving force in coordinating the Woodworking Shows exhibit and the Craftsman Show the Guild held each year. These types of shows and exhibits are important as a resource and opportunity for guild members to display their work at juried or nonjuried shows. Bill has decided it is time for him to step down and hand the reins over to a new crew. Please join me in thanking Bill for all his time and effort to get this committee off the ground.

It will take 3 of us to take over this committee. Paul Seipel, Mark Gering and I have already hit the ground running. We have everything in the works for Wood Magazines' Woodworking Show in November. If you've been to the last couple of meetings you've seen Mark handling the Show and Tell table. We are looking forward to providing more opportunity for people to bring in their projects to share with the group. It's a great way for others to get ideas, be encouraged and have a "go to" person for problems that seem to arise as a project goes together. We want to be a resource for each other as we all enjoy whatever level of woodworking we've achieved.

Unfortunately, we are not going to be able to pull together the Craftsman show at Rockler this year. With the help of the committee and you as volunteers and participants, we fully anticipate having a terrific show next year. There are other exciting opportunities out there for members to show their work. Lindy has mentioned a gallery opportunity in Lakewood at the past couple of meetings. Don't be shy; please let us know if you're interested in getting involved showing off you work.



Free Wood for Toys

Mark Klosky has wood available 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

Woodworking Shows

We are just gearing up with our preparations for the Wood Magazines' Denver Woodworking Shows in November. In order for this to come together we need you as Guild members to step up, reserve a space to display your work and participate at our Booth. This is open to all of our members regardless of current skill level with any type of wood working project. It's a great opportunity to get your feet wet because there is no judging at this show. What better way to simply display your work and at the same time represent the various skill levels and variety of wood working the Guild is trying to encourage.

We'll be making some changes to the way we display our projects this year to be sure you get the recognition that is due you To do this we will have a display placard accompanying your piece. It will describe what the project is, the type of wood used and the finish you used. It will have your name and if you want your contact information. The first five people who sign up to display will receive a Rockler gift certificate and everyone who has a project displayed at the booth will get a free pass to the show. Please sign up at the meeting, email or call me with the following information:

Your name; Name of project; Types of woods and finish used; Size of your project; Brief description

If you aren't quite ready with a project to display and want an opportunity not only to go to the show but represent your Guild to the folks attending the show, you can get a free pass to the show by spending 3 hours covering the Guild booth at the show or helping to set up or tear down the booth. The show dates and times are November 19th to the 21st. Friday 12-6, Saturday 10-6 and Sunday 10-4. There will be a raffle for those that help with the set up or tear down or manning the booth. A Lie-Nielsen bronze block plane will be given to the winner of the raffle. Sign-up sheets will be at the meeting! Or, if you are unable to get to the meeting, email me at vlhennon@comcast.net or call me at 303-835-2880. Please see if you can find some time in your schedules to help the Guild let others know who we are.

Also, please let me know if you can demonstrate some aspect of woodworking at the show. If so, you would also be entered into the raffle.

Woodworking Shows cont.

You are encouraged to sign up at the meeting, email or call me (see info below) to let me know what you would like to do. Last but not least, if you are interested in participating in the Woodworking Shows "Show Off Showcase" you can go to 'thewoodworkingshows.com' web site and click on 'Denver'. These projects will be judged and the first place winner from each city has a chance to win the 'Grand Show Off'.

Viki Hennon

Shows & Exhibits Chair

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More About Committees

You have heard me talk and seen my writings about the need for committees to serve the Guild. Well, we have made some progress in establishing some committees. The process is by no means done, but in this issue of the newsletter, you see articles by Viki Hennon, the new chair of our Shows and Exhibits Committee. We also have committee chairs or members for the following committees:

Nominating

Audiovisual

Membership

Special Projects

Website

Public Relations and Publicity

There will be more to come. Watch for these committee activities soon.



Woodworker Education and Shop Resources

The Guild frequently receives inquiries about the availability of classes or shop space. First, the Guild does not offer regular classes. On occasion we may offer special classes, usually of short duration. Nor do we have our own shop space, although our host, Rockler, on occasion makes their shop available to us in conjunction with a special class or demonstration. However, there are resources out there. Here are some suggestions:

Classes:

Red Rocks Community College offers an excellent program in Fine Woodworking. Check out their offerings online at http://www.rrcc.edu/finewood/index.html

Rockler Woodworking and Hardware offers classes in many woodworking topics. Many of these classes are of short duration.

Woodcraft also offers classes throughout the year, again, covering many woodworking topics.

Shop Space:

Red Rocks Community College offers shop space to their students in conjunction with classes.

Community Woodworking operates a bit like a cooperative. You pay a membership fee and then pay by the hour to use the shop facilities. Community Woodworking also offers some limited instruction. Check out Community Woodworking at www.communitywoodworking.com.



New Woodworking School

Mary May, a European trained professional woodcarver from Charleston, South Carolina is opening a new woodworking school in Charleston. The school will cover such topics as:

building 18th century furniture; fine joinery; carving furniture details; traditional inlay; using hand planes; chair caning and rush seating

The emphasis in Mary's new school is on traditional techniques and processes. See www.marymaycarving. com for more information.

July Presentation Review

Ethan Hutchinson provided a very informative and interesting presentation in July about his sculpted rocking chairs. Being fortunate enough to learn chairmaking directly from Sam Maloof was interesting to hear. The fact that he has been commercially making sculpted chairs in the Denver area for 19 years now is no surprise when looking at the rocking chair that he brought.

He is also going to teach chair making in a two day master class for the Woodworking Guild this October; so, this presentation great introduction to that master class. Class fees will be \$75 for members and \$100 for non-members.

Some of Ethan's work:





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Thank You to the Guild from Hardwood Emporium

carl@carlbeck.com

Jay Rhyner, the owner of Hardwood Emporium closed his doors at the end of July after nearly eight years of being in business. Hardwood Emporium was one of the corporate sponsors of the guild for years and for that we are very grateful. When I called Jay for his monthly special he notified me of the decision to close with one last request. He asked that the Guild be given the notice of the closing and that to sell off the inventory quickly he was offering Guild members deep discounts. I kept in touch with Jay through the process and he said that virtually every time I called someone from the Guild was there or had been there earlier that day. When I went by to visit the last day of business he was very happy as he had sold essentially all of the inventory. Jay wanted me to tell the Guild that he was very appreciative of the years of business the members had provided. He was especially grateful for the members coming by and helping him to shut the doors as quickly by buying the remaining inventory. He wanted the discounts, that were in some cases at or below his cost, to go to the members of the Guild.



Jointer Adjustment Help Needed

The Guild received a request for someone to assist in adjusting an 8" Grizzly jointer. If you have such skills, please contact Lindy Baer for details.

GUILD MEMBER DISCOUNTS

10% off at:

Abilene Awards & Logos

www.AbileneAwards.com

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

Centennial Wood Co.

2775 W. 7th Ave, Denver, CO. 303-778-6209

Charlie's Secondhand Store

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

Paxton www. PaxtonWood.com

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

Rockler Woodworking and Hardware

www.rockler.com

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

TC Woods www.TCWoods.com

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

Woodcraft www.Woodcraft.com

6770 S. Peoria St. Centennial, CO 80112

303-290-0007

GUILD MEMBER DISCOUNTS cont.

Offers Contractor Discount (roughly 20%)

Austin Hardwoods

www.AustinHardwoods.com

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

Monthly Board Meeting

The CWG Board Meeting is held on the fourth Wednesday at 5 p.m. The meeting is open to all members. If you plan on attending a meeting, please RSVP to one of the board members because the meeting location varies.

WOOD OF THE MONTH

Centennial Wood

4/4 Rustic Ash 7" width x 10' length \$1.59/BF

Paxton

4/4 Walnut S3S 13/16" 6-7' @ \$4.20/BF

Future Gallery Opportunity

Phone: 303-523-8960

Early next year (probably January, but this is preliminary) CWG members will have an opportunity to exhibit and sell their work in one of the three art galleries associated with the Lakewood Cultural Center. Watch for further information.

Lindy Baer

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Web site: www.ColoradoWoodworkersGuild.org

Yahoo Forum: http://Groups.Yahoo.com/group/ColoradoWoodworkersGuild

(YAHOO ID and acceptance into this group is required)

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

Significant Discounts -- Members can receive discounts of 10% or more from our sponsors

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 more...

Membership in the Colorado Woodworkers Guild is \$30 per year PER FAMILY for those with email, \$40 for hardcopy delivery.

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Connectivity Kit

A few times in the past you may have recognized the panic look on the faces of some of your officers as they were trying to connect a guest's computer to the AV system at our meeting site only to discover that no one had the proper cables or adapters. Well, in an effort to solve such problems, we have assembled a small "connectivity kit." The kit will allow connection of most Windows-based laptops or Macintosh laptops. And, we will add to the kit as new connection standards come along.

Lindy Baer

Guild Dues

This is a reminder. Remember that we are changing the schedule for dues payment. Dues for 2011 will be payable in January. Membership will lapse by March 1st. If you owe dues between now and December, please pay \$15.00 to cover the time gap. If your membership renewal is due in December, just pay your 2011 dues of \$30.00. If you have questions about these changes, please contact one of your officers.

Lindy Baer

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