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# Colorado Woodworkers Guild

# Newsletter

# **President's Message:**

30 Years and Counting!

As is usual, the year has gone by very quickly. My year as president is almost complete. Much was accomplished. And it was accomplished in the shadows of 30 years of Guild history.

The Year 2010

During the year we convened a planning meeting, where the officers assembled to plan for the year. We concluded that it is important for us to plan out several months instead of going on month to month not knowing what is coming in the next month. Then we needed to pull our website down after it was badly hacked for lack of adequate security. So, we went about building a new website.

At the same time we began to prepare a new Constitution and Bylaws and to develop a new logo. With these new guidance documents in the works, we started to build some functioning committees. In October we presented the new logo to the membership and awarded the prize for the winning logo design to Dennis Machlica.

By December, the Community Service, Programs, Shows and Exhibits and Website committees were at work and the Membership Committee just began to take form. We will discover that it is in these committees where the most important work gets done.

Because of the work of Bob Beason, Vice President and Programs Chair, our programs continued to be excellent and well attended. Our meeting attendance averaged about 40 members and guests. Through the efforts of Bill Huffer and others, we contributed to community activities and causes by donating toys, manning a booth during Aurora's Kid's Spree, helping children build bird houses and building out a full set of kitchen cabinets for donation to Longmont's The Inn Between.

# January 2011

#### **CWG Calendar**

January 18 6:00 Rockler, 2553 S. Colorado
Blvd. Social hour before 7:00 meeting
7:00 Arnie Silverman - WWS 1st Place
basketweave table

February 15th 6:00 Rockler, 2553 S. Colorado Blvd. Social hour before 7:00 meeting

# President's Message cont.

With our Secretary Kevin Loyd's work, we successfully published 10 editions of our newsletter. Laura Peterson, our Treasurer, worked hard to maintain the financial books and, mostly, keep up with the membership roster and dues payments. These tasks will shift over to the new Membership Committee and become more streamlined.

Finally we conducted successful elections and then experienced a very successful participation in Wood Magazine's Woodworking Show. Viki Hennon, our new Shows and Exhibits Committee Chair, accepted the charge and was extremely effective in organizing our efforts to have a booth at the show. Many members helped out and we received over 30 new or renewing members (mostly new). With the new logo and various banners, cards and flyers provided by Mark Gering, our incoming President, the CWG booth made quite an impression.

#### 29 Previous Years

2010 was a busy and rebuilding year. But from where has the Guild come? Unfortunately we don't have a good handle on our history. There are just a very few members who have been around since near the beginning. The organization's membership numbers have been as high as 400 members in years past. We don't know the names of very many of the early leaders.

# President's Message cont.

We know that John Hammer was President in the early 90's and Dave Villella soon after John. In the 2000's Bill Hoppers and Fred Matzen were Presidents. A very few members have been around since near the beginning. The organization's membership numbers have been as high as 400 members in years past, and we don't know the names of most of the early leaders.

Through a bit of sleuthing, we also know that the early membership consisted of a mix similar to today plus some housing contractors and others with strong carpentry interests. Even our very own Bob Beason, our current Vice President, was a member in the early 80's and published the newsletter for the Guild.

The organization has survived many ups and downs, but it is apparent that a strong interest still exists. For those who may have knowledge of the Guild in the past, please come forward and share what you know. Meanwhile we look to the future.

# Looking to the Future

With new officers coming in, a new website, new guiding documents, and operating committees, the Guild is looking stronger. Now the tasks are to maintain the momentum and continue to enlist more involvement from the members. The leaders need to outline the vision for a better Guild and then share this vision with all, new and seasoned, novice and expert. Please consider lending a hand.

Lindy Daer President Emeritus

# **Woodworking Shows - Success**

The Woodworking Show was a terrific success! With our new logo and banners we got lots of positive comments including many of the other vendors. We were able to sign up 24 new members to the Guild. Three more signed up who had been members in the past. We achieved our goal of increasing our membership and look forward to welcoming all the new members at our January meeting. Please make a point of introducing yourself to the new faces!

# **Woodworking Shows**

# - Success cont.

There are so many people to thank for helping to make this year's show such a success. On behalf of the Guild, I want to offer up a special "thank-you" to Cal. He brought the panels on Friday, stayed to help get them up with this year's new banners and came back on Sunday to tear down the display and drive them to Rockler for us. Speaking of Rockler, we can now store the panels and other display items in the Rockler basement rather than in Cal's garage.

Thanks to Paul Seipel who was there from opening to closing and doing his flocking demos and signing up new members. Thanks to the others who did demos, Kevin Loyd on scrapers and Dennis McCaigue who wooed the crowd with his violin demo. Thanks to Lindy Baer (2010 president) and Mark Gering (incoming 2011 president) for being there each day to help with whatever needed doing including membership recruiting. Of course, let's not forget to show appreciation to all the people who signed up to work the booth. No one was shy; everyone worked hard and talked themselves hoarse to attract new members to the Guild.

A reminder for all those who worked the booth-please show up to the January meeting for the drawing to give away the Lie- Nielsen block plane! Just to be sure-- Gordon Johnson, Arnold Silverman, Richard Gonzalez, Bill Huffer, Chuck Hevenor, Dave Dent, Mark Klosky, John Hammer, Bob McDaniel, Jeff Roth and Al Limiero, are all eligible to have their names put in the drawing. Good luck to all!

A big draw to our booth was all the projects displayed right out front for all to see. They caught people's eye and drew them in to see what the Guild is all about. We have some remarkable talent in our group and we thank-you for your generosity in allowing us to display your projects.

The winner of the Woodworking Shows Show Off was our own Arnold Silverman with his woven apron table! He is eligible for the national Show Off at the end of the season. Congratulations Arnie! Come to the January meeting to see how he made the woven apron.

Viki Lennon Shows and Exhibits Chair

# **Woodworking Shows cont.** www.ColoradoWoodworkersGuile



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# **January Presentation**

Arnie Silverman, a Guild member for about 10 years, is a retired doctor who likes to work with his hands. With many Red Rocks Community College courses under his belt, he has taken on some very challenging projects that have result in some beautiful pieces. In January Arnie will present information about his Dunlap Cabinet Makers Table reproduction. The table took him ten months to complete. The apron required about 12,000 cuts and the top is made from a single board. Arnie entered the table in this year's Denver Wood Working Show "Show Off" competition and won first prize, thus qualifying his table for entry into national competition.







# **Kreg Router Table Raffle**

Following Wood Magazine's Woodworking Show at the Denver Merchandise Mart, the Kreg National Sales Manager donated a very fine router table with many accessories to the Guild. Watch for further information at the January meeting.



# **Guild Holiday Party a Success**

About 30 people (Guild members and some spouses) gathered on Saturday, December 11, 2010 for a holiday celebration. The affair was a potluck with the Guild supplying smoked turkey (done superbly by Bill Hoppers), barbequed brisket (prepared by John Hammer), a glazed, spiral sliced ham (cooks for the ham were Robin and Lindy Baer) and all of the beverages. Several people helped with the table setup and cleanup.

Rockler Woodworking and Hardware supplied several door prizes and of course, the feature of the evening, people brought gifts for the "white elephant" gift exchange. While Brianna Loyd helped with the unwrapping and gift selection, Ron Vanous won the prize for opening the most gifts. Everytime he selected and opened a gift, someone would "steal" it and he would go back to the gift table for another selection. Everyone seemed to enjoy the evening and look forward to next year's event.







# **CWG - Annual Dues**

Remember that we are changing our dues payment schedule. Now, dues are to be paid at the first of each calendar year. And, there are new membership cards, so your old ones will not work for your sponsor discounts.

# **Show and Tell**

The November Show and Tell was the battle of the dragons! Two members submitted intarsia pieces that obviously took time, talent and patience.

Paul Seiple brought in a piece his daughter, Debbie, created using a dragon design her brother found and wanted her to duplicate. Debbie incorporated a shield and sword into the design to create a terrific piece showing off her skill and good eye.



The other dragon was done by Jeff Herring who utilized both intarsia and carving to create his intricate design. Just a few of the many woods he used were purple heart, bloodwood, poplar, wenge, cherry, yellow heart and buckeye burl. He was quick to note that his piece took an incredible number of hours to put together and that he had to walk away a couple of times so that he could uncross his eyes. It clearly showed off his skill and creativity.



Kevin Loyd showed off a very utilitarian piece he created out of a need for a tool to make a project he wanted to complete. He put together a large frame with a saw blade in the middle to resaw 12/4 lumber. Kevin used it to create a book match design. Leave it to a woodworker to find an inventive way to solve a problem.

# **Show and Tell cont.**

The group chose Jeff as the winner of the Show & Tell! He was November's Rockler gift card recipient. Thanks to all three members who brought in their pieces to share with the group. Please bring in your creations to the January meeting to share with the group. It's always fun to see what our Guild members are busy working on.

Viki Lennon Shows and Exhibits Chair

# **2010 Toy Campaign**

The 2010 Toy Campaign was a success with 360 toys made and distributed. Many thanks to the 2010 Toy Brigade. They are:

PAUL SEIPEL, BOB MC DANIEL, VIC HOOPS, JEFF ROTH, JOHN HAMMER, MARK KLOSKY, DENNIS FANNING, JEFF HERRING, GORDON JOHNSON, ROBERT BUSCH, ARNIE SILVERMAN, ALLEN WRIGHT, RANDY WEEMS, DENNIS ST JOHN, KEVIN LOYD, MARK GERING and BILL HUFFER

Remember, next Christmas is not that far away, so start building the toys early so we have a good showing for 2011.

Bill Luffer

Community Services Chariman



# **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

# **WOOD OF THE MONTH - January**

#### **Centennial Wood**

TBD

#### **Paxton**

5/4 Walnut 7' bf - 35% off @ \$6.75/BF

# **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.

# **CWG - New Website**

By the time you read this, the new website will be up and running. Please point your browsers to www. coloradowoodworkersguild.org and take a peek. All paid-up members will have access to the member-only area where you will be able to gain access to many additional features not available on the public side. Explore and, most importantly, complete your profile.

If you are not current with your dues, then you need to pay your dues, either with cash, check or through PayPal. Only then will you be authorized to gain access to the member-only area.

Phone: 303-523-8960

# **Contact Us**

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# 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.

#### **Board Members**

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