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craftsmanship and knowledge

# Colorado Woodworkers Guild

## May 2013

### *Special Presentation*

#### **CHRIS GOCHNOUR**

Chris Gochmour has for the past 27 years built fine furniture for homes and office buildings throughout the Intermountain West and taught woodworking to artists, hobbyists, and woodworking professionals. He is a regular contributor to *Fine Woodworking* magazine, having appeared in the magazine over 30 times in the last decade. He teaches furniture making at Salt Lake Community College, the Traditional Building Skill Institute at Snow College, and the Marc Adams School of Woodworking.

In 1998, Chris was Taunton Press's featured guest at the Woodworking Fair in Atlanta, Georgia. He is the owner of The Joiners Bench, a fine furniture company that produces bench-made furniture from Chris' studio in Murray, Utah. The Joiners

Bench was honored to be selected to build the furniture for the Utah governor's office in the newly restored Utah State Capitol.

Along the way, Chris has emerged as a preeminent hand tool expert with a passion for using, and sometimes making, planes, saws, chisels, spoke shaves, scrapers and anything else that aids in the art of fine woodworking. Chris has authored numerous hand tool reviews and been consulted by toolmakers from around the United States.



**Heirloom Tool Chest Seminar**

Chris will construct the illustrated heirloom tool chest with hand tools discussing and demonstrating his techniques to include dovetail joints, mortise and tenon, board smoothing and joining. There will be ample time for questions and interaction with Chris throughout the construction process.

#### **Seminar Schedule:**

**MAY 31<sup>ST</sup> 7:00 PM-9:00 PM - PUBLIC SLIDE SHOW OF WORK AND SEMINAR TOPICS**

**JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup> AND 2<sup>ND</sup> 9AM-5PM - DEMO OF BUILDING HEIRLOOM TOOL CHEST WITH HAND TOOLS**  
(box lunch provided for all participants)

#### **Location:**

**Meeting Room at Rockler Woodworking and Hardware, 2553 South Colorado Blvd, Denver**

**Tuition \$125 for Members, \$150 for non-Members**

**(Non-member tuition includes 1 year Guild membership)**

**Send payment to: Colorado Woodworkers Guild, P.O. Box 100996, Denver, CO 80250**

**Enrollment deadline, May 24<sup>th</sup>, seating limited to first 100 registrants.**

**Signup for this event on Website**  
**[coloradowoodworkersguild.org](http://coloradowoodworkersguild.org)**

## ***Upcoming Events***

**May 21** Monthly Meeting 6:00 PM Rockler Mark Klosky Building an entry door fit for a palace. See page 4

### **May 31 through June 2**

Chris Gochnour, a regular contributing editor to Fine Woodworking magazine will conduct a two day seminar on designing and building a heirloom-quality tool chest. The main seminar of Saturday and Sunday is preceded by a slide show of Chris' work on Friday evening.

### **Aug 10**

The Guild's annual picnic will be held at Congress Park, at 8th Avenue and Josephine Street. More specifics about time and exact location within the park will be published here as it becomes available.

## ***Monthly Raffle Items***

At the May general meeting we will have the following items:

- 1) Micro Jig GRR-Ripper (table saw safety push block)
- 2) 16 piece WoodRiver Forstner boxed bit set
- 3) 4 piece WoodRiver butt chisel set
- 4) Another fantastic board from Austin Hardwoods!

Come early! Doors open at 6:00 P.M. to get your tickets!

## ***President's Message***

Now that winter is transitioning into spring it is time to get out in the garden and work in the yard. For many of us that means splitting our time between two passions, playing in the dirt and playing with wood. With the coming of spring and the lengthening of the daylight hours we should feel fully energized and raring to go! Open up the shop and blow out the winter sawdust and get those new projects started with spring sawdust! Whew, time to rest...

As you have noticed the Guild is changing the way the newsletter is being delivered. As our membership has grown, (Thanks Donna! – our membership chairperson) it has been more difficult to send out the newsletter as an email attachment. But thanks to Wilbur (our wondrous webmaster) the bump in the road we experienced at the beginning of the year has been resolved and the website is bigger and better than ever! Members will get an email announcement with a link saying the newsletter is available to open or download. There is no need to sign in but I encourage everyone to sign in and take a look around at the new and wonderful things.

When you become a member you get an initial user name and password. Your user name is your first and last name. Your password is your zip code or some of you may have been asked to create a password. If you have forgotten your user name (yes, I am grinning here) or have forgotten your password you can simply click on the buttons saying I have forgotten and you will be sent an email to help you out. Hope this helps everyone out and you will take some time to explore our ever improving website.

For those of you who come to our monthly meetings, I am sure you have noticed the new seating arraignment. Rockler is going to make another improvement to the basement by replacing the carpet with a wood floor! They have

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## ***Membership Tidbits***

Our membership continues to grow with more and more people use the website application process. Both new and renewal applications are coming in using this method which does help keep the time it takes to get your application processed and your membership card on its way to you. Thank-you all for giving it a try and for joining the Guild as we make sawdust. As of this writing, we have 191 active members with about 80 or so coming to our meetings. With that said, please introduce yourself as you look at the library, get a cup of coffee, check out the Show and Tell or spend money getting at the raffle. We have lots of new members who would like to get to know you and vice versa.

Lots of activities happening now and in the coming months—Chris Gochnour will be here June 1 and 2 with what looks like a great opportunity to learn how easy it is to use hand tools to make something useful and good looking. Wilbur the Webmaster has put up two PayPal buttons on the website to make it even easier to sign up. The first is for active members; the second includes either a new membership or a renewal of a lapsed membership. Looking forward to seeing Chris in action.

Please don't be shy if you have an article you think would be interesting to our members. We welcome your woodworking input. This can include an article you've read, a link that you want to share about our hobby, an item you would like to sell, or something you are looking for and need help. If you do have an item you would like to sell, consider including a picture of it.

We have a picnic planned for August. For

asked the Guild for some help in removing the old carpet, which will involve moving chairs, cabinets (that are on wheels), and our best activity – ripping and tearing. There is no date set yet but hopefully by the time we have the next meeting we will have a date and ask for some able bodied volunteers. If you can't come to the meeting but would like to help please send me an email and I will put you on the list.

***Viki Hennon,***

President, Colorado Woodworkers Guild  
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those of you who have attended, you know there is plenty to eat and activities for the family as well. The date is August 10<sup>th</sup>, and the place is Congress Park. Why not plan to share an afternoon getting to know more members and sharing woodworking stories. Signups will be coming to a Guild meeting soon.

A reminder that we have a Suggestion Box that we put out somewhere near the beginning of the meeting and check at the end of the meeting. What would you like that will make your experience better? Can be as simple as a “munchies” request to a topic for a meeting and most anywhere in between. Any suggestions will be reviewed at the next Board meeting.

And last but not least, please remember to stop by the Merchandise table for a good look at the shop apron that’s on sale. It has our logo and enough pockets so that you won’t have to fish around looking for where you put your \_\_\_\_\_(fill in the blank here).

Because we bought in volume, the pricing is excellent. Also available are shirts, caps, and cups.

Till next month—

***Donna, the Membership Person***

### ***Building a Custom Entry Door –***

A few years ago I was fortunate enough to be able to build a house for my wife and I, we are calling this our retirement home. It was a pop-top of an existing home that we owned as a rental property. As the original front door opening was an oversized 42” opening, the new door would end up being a custom door no matter where we got it. Because I was unwilling to pay someone \$3200+ for a new door, I said that I would build the new door for our house.

Several guild members have approached me and told me that they would like to build an entry door for their home. I have cautioned that this is not a project to be taken lightly; if you are able to buy the door of the rack I recommend buying it. But if your heart is still set on building your door then I have learned a lot that I can share with you. In my presentation I will discuss the journey that I went thru to attempt this project. In my research I learned a lot about what was needed to successfully attempt this project, and I was able to build a beautiful door that fits the character and style of our new house.

Building a door is a project that will challenge you and push your woodworking skillset to a new level. One of my biggest regrets was that the finished project was too big and heavy to bring to a guild meeting for show and tell.

I will discuss materials selection, joinery, and finishing that I used for my project. I will show you how I was able to overcome many obstacles and setbacks in the process. Material control and accurate joinery are absolutely necessary to be able to complete the project successfully. I am looking forward to sharing all of this with you. And by the way, I believe that if I had brought my door to a meeting, that it would have won that month’s show and tell.

***Mark Klosky***

## ***Recent Events***

### ***Show & Tell – April***

The April meeting provided another great display of member talents. The variety of methods of woodworking presented helps to show the new and the beginning members what all broad interests are shared. Doug Pinney brought in a carved weed vase of walnut. I know for a fact that this was the piece of walnut that he won as a volunteer at the Woodworking Show earlier this year.

Sometimes having a great piece of wood causes paralysis as what to make, but not for Doug. Sometimes you don't have to worry about the rarity of the wood like Mello Lindberg. Mello brought in her cottonwood bark carvings. There were three wonderfully whimsical carvings of houses that look to be precariously perched atop a craggy cliff. John Husner brought in two examples of his newly learned skills with the bandsaw. John took the bandsaw box class from fellow member Paul Seipel. After learning to make the box in the class John went home and made a teddy bear coin bank. There were two examples of turnings brought in for show. Curt Vogt brought a pen that he made out of acrylic. The nice thing about acrylic is that it doesn't need a film finish. Curt used micro mesh to bring the pen to a beautiful glossy sheen. The other turning was by Stan Wolpert. He made a pedestal bowl from a block sourced from a 300 year old olive tree. I think I will mention to Stan that we have a forest nearby with loads of tree so that he doesn't have to wait 300 years. Stan also brought in a carved bowl. Again Stan's wood selection was interesting as he used a large melee burl cap. It made for an excellent execution in a stunning piece of wood.

The winner of the night was Wilbur Goltermann. Wilbur brought in a mission style

coffee table with an inset glass top. Made of solid cherry it is a great addition to any living room. My only question is how he managed to bevel the glass top with a handplane?

Thank you to all that bring in their projects for the show & tell. Contributing to our instant gallery answers the question of what you've been doing and helps other to see what we do. Keep up the good work everyone and bring in you pieces.

### ***Kevin Loyd Shows & Exhibits Chair***



***Wilbur Goltermann Mission Style Coffee Table***



***Curt Vogt Acrylic Pen***





***Doug Pinney Carved Vase***



***Mello Lindberg Carved Cottonwood Bark***



***John Husner Bandsaw Projects***



***Stan Wolpert Turned Olive wood Bowls***

### ***Gathering of the Guilds 2013***

The Gathering of the Guilds was another big success this year. The show continues to grow and garner more attention as word gets out. This year the attendance seemed better than ever. Those lucky enough were able to enjoy a presentation by Stephen Anthony of A&E Fine Woodworks. If you recall he was the main presenter this past March. Stephen treated the attendees to a slideshow presentation on the history and development of American furniture from the Pilgrims through to the Queen Anne era.

Wondering through the mansion you were able to chat with a really diverse group of craft people. They had bookbinders, jewelry makers, weavers, paper maker and even woodworkers. There were many other disciplines represented. For those that have a free Saturday in May the Gathering of the Guilds should always be an option.

### ***Kevin Loyd Shows & Exhibits***

### ***Community Service Program***

April 26<sup>th</sup> we had a bird house building workday at my shop and got over 300 kits cut out. All of the volunteers that help with the community services programs are terrific, but I want to extend many thanks to Mick, Charlie, John, Chris, Randy and Roger for cranking those houses out. June 8<sup>th</sup> is the date for “KidSpree” in Aurora and so far we have 11 volunteers signed up to help the kids put the bird house kits together. We will have 2 shifts one from 10 am to 2 pm and the other from 2 to 6, so if you would like to help please see me at the meeting. Another workday is scheduled for May 10 (9-2) at my shop in Parker. We will package the bird house kits and start making toys for this Christmas. If you want to be involved let me know. Again a big thanks to all that help make these programs a success.

### ***Jeff Roth***

### ***Woodworking 101***

In April we held our second woodworking 101 class and as with the first one it was well attended. Five areas were covered. Measuring and general shop safety and then the basic use and set up of the table saw, band saw, router (table) and drill press.

### ***Jeff Roth***

## ***Woodworking for \$\$\$***

For those of you who do not know me, my name is Cal Noguchi. I've been running a 1 person woodcrafts shop since my retirement in 2000. Every once in a while I get requests that I can't handle because I have too many things going on, so it entails telling a good customer that I can't do the job for them. What I would like to do is put together a network of woodworkers that would be interested in helping out while making a few bucks in the process. I haven't worked out all the details, but what I envision is sending out an email to everyone in the database with a description of what needs to be done and a timeframe. Most likely I would provide the materials, drawings, and jigs (if applicable). If you are interested, you would reply with a bid either per unit or entire job. Price will not be the only factor that is taken into consideration. It will probably be a balance of skill level, price and your location. Don't worry if your skill level is not the highest, there are some jobs, like the one I had recently which involved making some mallets. Even a beginner lathe operator like me was able to do a sufficient job. If you are interested, send me an email with what you perceive your skill level to be, the areas of woodworking that you are comfortable with (furniture, turning, finishing, etc.), your location, a website (personal or one like [lumberjocks.com](http://lumberjocks.com)) and if you use Sketchup (not mandatory) to: [cbnoguchi@gmail.com](mailto:cbnoguchi@gmail.com) . If I get enough interest, we can hammer out more details. Also, if there are others that are in the same boat as me and need help, I'm sure that we can make this work for you too.

***Cal Noguchi Guild Member***



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Colorado Woodworkers Guild  
Membership Application

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Would you be interested in being a mentor? : ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Would you be interested in being on a committee? : ☐ Yes ☐ No

If so, how would you like to help? : \_\_\_\_\_

Dues are \$30 annually— your membership card expires 12/31

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