

The Colonial Woodcutter

May 2011

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General Membership Meetings

2nd Thursday of each month 7 PM

Davidsonville United Methodist Church
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Visitors are welcome

Executive Board Meetings

4th Thursday of each month 7PM

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Members welcome

Annual Membership Dues \$35

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My year as President is quickly coming to an end and it's been an experience. I had no interest in taking this on when first approached, however, if you are asked to serve in any capacity, I highly recommend that you do so. The board has been very supportive and when an opportunity arises has jumped right in to tackle whatever the issue. If approached, you need to understand that you have all the help and support in the world, so don't hold back. The experience is enriching and not as scary as you may be imagining. Everyone needs to take a leap of faith and be part of the Guild, to keep it going. For example, **Mike Arndt** couldn't think of a reason not to take on Program Chair and he has done an exceptional job in finding interesting programs for us in the past year. Requests have come in for projects and if for charity, considered and dealt with, successfully. Your year in office really goes more quickly than you might realize. The way the process is constructed for this office, is that you have a year to see how things work (1st VP); then you serve a year as President; and then you hang around for another year (2nd VP) to explain why things were done as they were, accountability. It is a three-year agreement for President (other offices are one year) but you are part of the way the Guild is run and everyone's input is important for decision-making. Volunteering up front for any position that you may be interested in or qualified for is totally acceptable and welcomed. So be brave and take a chance, you may have a great year also. Since this is my last column as Guild President I want to thank the Guild members for their support and hope that you all enjoyed our past year as much as I did. I also want to especially thank my fellow Board Members for their support and patience during this past year. Next month's column will be from our new President, **Andy Borland**. I hope you will be as supportive of him. See you at the next meeting....



MEMBERSHIP NEWS:

Welcome to new member: **Mike Wash**.

Please remember to wear your nametags at our General Membership Meetings (GMM). If any of your information has changed (email, phone number, address, etc.) or you need a new name tag; contact Harlan Ray Jr. (Membership Chair) or send your changes to the Guild email address (info@awwg.org) for updating of the membership database. To ensure database integrity only the individual member can request changes to their information.

You can renew your membership (pay your annual dues) at a GMM, via US Postal System snail mail, **OR NOW, ON-LINE** via the Guild's web site calendar page, using your credit card through the service of PayPal (www.awwg.org/awg_calendar.htm). If you want to receive your copy of the newsletter via email (exact same content as paper copy) or you want to be added to the informational emailing list, send your request to the Guild's email address and you will be added to the appropriate list, like wise, if you want to be removed from one of the lists.

MAY SPEAKER – 2 x 6 Contest. May is also election month so come out and help select the new Guild officers.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

(GMM), January 13, 2011 (By D. Scrivens)

I. GENERAL BUSINESS:

President Lee Marshall reminded all present that the 2x4 Contest would be judged at the next meeting.... Be sure to bring in your entry. **Lee** also gave final notice that the elections for Guild offices will be held as part of our May meeting. The Nominating Committee has provided a slate of candidates as follows:

1st VP – Jim Francis; Secretary – Bambi Sublett; Program Chair – Hugh Houghton; Treasurer – Doug Richardson; Membership – Harlan Ray Jr.

Nominations will be accepted from the floor at the GMM, however, the subject of a floor nomination must be present to accept the nomination for it to be valid!!

*Current **President – Lee Marshall** moves to 2nd VP and current **1st VP Andy Borland** moves to **President**. Officers assume their new responsibilities after the conclusion of the May GMM.*

Walton Rogers rose to plug the sale of 155 sq ft of Brazilian hardwood (5”x 3/4”) in Ellicott City for \$930. Interested parties should call 443-670-6372

II. SAFTEY:

ANDY BORLAND stressed the safety values in keeping a tangle of hoses and electrical cords off the workshop floor. He recommended the use of retractable reels for the purpose.

Carl Love plugged two hand lotions, *Mederma* and *Tom’s Lotion*, available in Tom’s Drugs in Cape St Claire, as useful aids in healing wounds obtained while woodworking. **Carl** has done extensive research on the causes and treatment of shop rash.

(Editor’s note: A third choice is Vitamin E liquid caps. You puncture the cap and squeeze the liquid vitamin E out onto your wound scar and rub it in. It will help to reduce the visibility of the scar.)

III. QUESTION BOX/WHAT’S NEW:

Jerry Lacey showed how we can make no-skid sanding rests (*similar to Bench Cookies@*) from MDF and scrap router pad or other non-skid material. Useful info.

Question: Where to get Porter Cable tools repaired? Members were told that a factory repair center for Dewalt, Porter Cable, Bostitch, Delta and Black and Decker is located at 1646 White Sulpher Springs Rd in Halethorpe just off Exit 10 of the Baltimore Beltway. The telephone number is 410-536-0722

IV. DOOR PRIZE:

Bruce Morse bagged the \$50.00 gift card, **Wayne Johnson & Ed Stone** won the Hal Taylor Rocking Chair CDs, and **Charlie Bauerdorf** scored one of our notepad rolls and holder.



V. SHOW AND TELL:

Ian Tracy made a memory box of Spanish cedar and spalted maple for his daughter. A most beautiful piece, it was joined with some fancy dovetails. Ian even made the lock escusion using his blacksmith talents.



Denny Scrivens finally completed the carved icon of the Trinity he has labored on for the past two years. It is a gold leafed rendition of a medieval gospel cover and is loaded with gems and pearls.



VI. SPEAKER:

Brian White presented a most informative hour on the art of hammer veneering. The first thing this writer learned was that a veneer hammer is an oddly shaped tool resembling a hammer but intended rather for squeezing glue out from under a





piece of veneer. **Brian**

persuasively argues that hide glue is the only way to go because it allows time to work, is reversible and is water soluble for ease of cleanup. The tools one needs for veneering are: veneer saws, a pot to heat the hide



glue, a marking straightedge with sandpaper backing, a veneer hammer, an old chisel, a jack plane for flattening surfaces, and a toothing plane. The toothing plane provides a really flat surface when scrubbed top to bottom then side to side. Hide glue is heated in the warming pot (Brian estimates you can obtain a glue pot for around \$175.00) should be brought to the consistency of maple syrup. The hide glue is applied to

the outer surface of the backing and to the outer surface of the veneer then squeegeed, with the veneer hammer, to remove excess glue. It is well



to veneer to back of the piece with lesser quality veneer to help maintain the stability throughout. Once applied, the glue tacks quickly and is dry in 8 hours. Brian prefers to cut the veneer with a Murphy knife, a flat steel blade he buys on-line for \$12 or so. Mr. White's talk was authoritative and well presented, practical and loaded with good tips for any who would veneer. And to think of it, he is but 24 years old.



Example of Brian's Excellent work!

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AWG MENTOR LIST:

We are still looking for members who are willing to be mentors in the following areas: Band Saw; Dust Collection; Finishing Methods; Sharpening; Reading and Understanding Plans; Equipment Maintenance. Or if you have a skill that is not listed please let us know.

The AWG Mentor list follows in this format:

Subject; Name/Phone/Email

Antique furniture restoration; Quinan, Johnstone/
410-956-5428/ ;

Brushed Shellac ~ Hand planes; Applegate, Patrick
/410-426-8287/ pappleg@jhmi.edu

Carving ~ Inlaying; Scrivens, Jay D. /410-544-3247/
jdscrivens@verizon.net;

Clock Making; Stone, Ed / 301-464-8079 / edwhstone@comcast.net;

Finish repair ~ Furniture repair; Arndt, Michael/ 410-551-8588/ MarylandWoodPro@gmail.com;

Hand planes; Ames, Donald /410-268-0509/ dfames@verizon.net

Routing ~ Laminating; Houghton, Hugh/ 410 -263-8615 / hjhoughton@comcast.net;

Routing ~ Raised panels ~ Toys; Bodnar, Joseph A./ 301- 390-0484/ joebflyes@comcast.net;

Scrollsaw; Allred, Win /301- 587-3821 / winallred@yahoo.com ;

Scrollsaw; Dodson, Paul/ 410 -760-5382/ pdwoodcrafts@verizon.net

Stains ~ Hand rubbed oil finish; Sparks, Roy A/ 302 -337-1016 /;

Tooling ~ Cabinet making; Ashby, Robert /410 -969-2910/ toolsrus58@comcast.net

Toys ~ Electrical Problems; Hirrlinger, Jack/ 410-798-1339/ tjhirr@comcast.net

REMINDER – if the AACO schools are closed due to bad weather there is no Guild Meeting that evening.

REMEMBER WE ARE LOOKING FOR TWO MEMBERS TO VOLUNTEER TO BE THE NEWSLETTER EDITORS!!

Currently, we are looking for two people to take on the job of Newsletter Editor. Skills needed are using the Microsoft Word or Microsoft Publisher programs or equivalents and cropping and pasting photos into the document. We are asking for two members so that 1) they can switch off or alternate months so one person isn't getting burnt out and 2) there will be someone to cover, if there may be a family emergency that leaves the other unable to produce that month. *Again, be brave and take a chance, you might like it*

AWG 2x6 Contest Procedures:

Members bringing their entries for May contest must sign in with **Jack Hirrlinger** at the display table. Provide **Jack** you name and description of what you have made. He will assign your entry a number that will be taped to your entry or to the table in front of your entry. Enjoy the meeting as usual.

All Members attending the meeting will receive a ballot. This ballot will be utilized to perform a blind judging of the contest entries. Each member will complete and turn in a ballot (one per member please). The ballots will be collected and counted during program portion of the evening. The evening's program will be each entrant explaining his or her project. Winners will be announced, prizes awarded and pictures taken to conclude the evening.

We hope to see many interesting entries from our creative and talented membership.

AWG Budget 1 June 2011 – 31 May 2012

ITEM	AMOUNT
INCOME	
Annual Dues	4,200.00
PAYPAL Dues	875.00
From Endowment Fund	4,500.00
Christmas Reservations	3,100.00
Donations	800.00
Books, DVDs, Patches, etc.	-
Check Acct. Interest	14.00
Misc.	-
Total Income	13,489.00
EXPENSES	
Christmas Party	3,100.00
Rent	1,400.00
Books, DVDs, Patches, etc.	-
Insurance	620.00
Newsletter	1,050.00
Door Prizes	600.00
Honorarium	700.00
Timonium Show	300.00
Misc.	-
Postage	175.00
Special Programs/Projects	4,700.00
Membership Committee	250.00
Software	150.00
Storage Locker	100.00
Photography	25.00
Gifts & Awards	100.00
PayPal Transaction Fees	26.75
Total Expenses	13,296.75
NET	191.25