

St. Louis
Woodworkers Guild

Next Meeting Thursday, April 19, 2018

New Meeting Location

Moolah Shrine

Oasis Room

12545 Fee Fee Road

St. Louis, MO 63146

[Click here for Map - See below for Parking locations](#)



Parking is available on the north and east side of the building. Best Entrance to the meeting room is on the north side.

President's Letter – April 2018

I really enjoyed last month's meeting. The Show & Tell projects presented were great and to see what everyone is creating is always inspiring. I'm always impressed with the quality of work that our members put into their projects. The silent auction went well too. Once again this year there was a real variety of items represented and the prices the items went for were exceptional. However, I think the highlight of the night was our new meeting space. We had more than enough room for everything and everyone. I really think this new space is going to work out real well for us. There will be some growing pains of course, but I expect the issues to be minor. Kudos once again

to everyone who helped us get into our new space.

This upcoming meeting will be the **annual election of officers**. I've decided to not pursue a fourth year as President. I would like to thank everyone who has been a part of the executive board the past three years. It has been a pleasure working with all of you and I certainly have appreciated the support. I think together we have been able to accomplish quite a bit in favor of all of our members. However, I most especially want to thank all of the members of the guild for having made the past three years really enjoyable. I hope as I leave office that I've helped make the guild a more enjoyable organization for all of you.

This meeting's program will be on **joinery**. The type of joinery we use and how well we execute it will make or break a project. Also, the joinery we use for a project needs to be appropriate to the design and aesthetics of the piece. **Martin Goebel** and his crew encounter and accomplish joinery challenges on their pieces each and every day. Over the years they have found what works and doesn't work and have developed different tips and tricks on how to properly execute the joinery on their pieces. They'll be sharing this at this Thursday's meeting. I hope to see all of you there!

Mike

Proposed Slate of Officers for 2018 Fiscal Year

The floor will be open to additional candidates and the election will be held at the April Meeting

President Bob Brinkman

Vice President Wayne Watson

Secretary Keith Lissant

Treasurer Tom Tierney

Director 4 Year Violet Oman Replaces Wayne Watson

Director 2 Year Grant Black Replaces Bob Brinkman

Nominating Committee

Bob Brinkman, Wayne Watson, and Brad Bernhard

Highlights of the March Meeting

***ANNUAL SHOW AND TELL and
SILENT AUCTION***

There was a lot of activity at the display tables for the Silent Auction items.



Dale Norman built a sea turtle for his friend's boat. Wonderful use of the Oak grain for the shell and poplar for the legs and head! Finished with mahogany stain and clear coat

Daniel Sudkamp crafted a wide range of cutting boards showcasing various patterns, including: plaid, argyle, and tumbling blocks.



Various woods were used including cherry, maple, walnut and padauk.



Andy Clawson built a heart-shaped Unity Puzzle for a friend's wedding as well as a step stool for his daughter using honeylocust and walnut.



Larry Alvarez showcased all kinds of turned ornaments and magnets made from scraps. He definitely keeps his lathe busy!



Eric Oman saved a piece of Osage Orange from becoming firewood and turned a live edge bowl with it.

Wayne Humphrey used several species of wood to build a fun dinosaur themed scene, each piece being a scroll-sawn puzzle.





Keith Lissant shared several scroll-sawn items, including hearts, a rhinoceros, penguin, and a truck puzzle.



Leslie and Tom Tupper took a class at Marc Adams taught by Michael Fortune on building a sinuous lounge chair and ottoman.

The couple created bent laminations for several of the pieces with 1/8" strips of mahogany and Titebond III. Finish used was 7 coats of Epifanes varnish, a product used in the shipbuilding industry.

They had to work out the details of how to build the ottoman on their own, but the set looks like a perfect match!



Phil Haskins used figured cherry to build a hall table for his son. He is currently working on a garden gate and we look forward to seeing it!

Andrew Salazar shared his experience rebuilding the dormers on his house. He used PVC for most of the outside work for improved weatherability. Inside, he created inviting window benches with



detailed trim and paneling mostly using poplar.



Scott Wunder showed two live-edge projects he recently finished for customers; a walnut bathroom counter that used the wood's natural shape for a perfect fit, and a large book-matched maple dining table with a "hand-finished" planed surface and a few spots of dark epoxy infill to make it perfect.

March Work Party at the Shop

A Successful Start

Saturday, March 24th, came with a dreary, wet and cold day that did not deter those who volunteered to take on improvements to the Guild Shop in Faust Park. Three projects were on the agenda that day:

First was to construct an enclosure at the rear of the building to hold the large cyclone dust collector which will provide whole shop dust collection in the near future.

Second was to install compressed air piping in the shop.

Third was to install new wall cabinets which Dan Pace donated to improve tool storage in the shop.

We were unable to complete the enclosure due to both the weather and a

shortage of material, but it is at least 75% completed. The piping for air is 95% installed and we are waiting for additional parts which are on order to complete the job. The cabinets are in place.

Many thanks to all the volunteers who attended and to “Chef Denny” who provided a much appreciated hot lunch to all the workers.



The second wall for the enclosure going up.



Many hands make for light work.



Building wall number three.



Akiko Takeda and Eric Oman
assembling a wall frame.



Tom Tierney and Hal Donovan
installing new air lines.

Bob Brinkman and Al Carlson admire
their work.



"Chef Denny" relaxes after everyone
is fed.



The workers break for lunch.

THE TOY CORNER

Toy Pattern Library Continues to Grow

Sometimes the best toy projects come from members who have completed them and decided to share the plans with other Guild Members. Thanks to **Keith Lissant** who has submitted two puzzles – a Rhino and a Penguin. We've also added a puzzle of Dinosaurs on a base from Wood Magazine.

Keep checking the website for new toy patterns throughout the year, as well as a schedule for donating seasonal items. We'll continue to add new and interesting patterns for all levels of woodcrafters so check back often.

Find these and more patterns at: <http://slwg.org/toyplans.aspx>

Many members have asked where we buy our wheels, dowels and other parts. One of our favorite sources is: <http://www.craftparts.com>



Join Us for a Second Faust Park Toy Build Day

There will be another toy build at the Faust Park Workshop on Wednesday, April 25th from 9 am until about 1 pm. We will be building pickup trucks that pull an RV as shown above. This is a good project for beginners. We will use the band saw, router, and drill press and will need to limit participation to four people. All participants should bring a reasonable quality 2 x 4 to the build. If you would like to participate, contact Wayne Humphrey at wehumphrey@hotmail.com.

Rockler Toy Build Day

We're also happy to be participating in Rockler's Toy Build Day. Rockler customers will be invited to their store on Saturday, May 19th to build race cars which will be donated to our toy program. The Guild needs to provide 4 people

to work from 1 pm to 4 pm that day to supervise and assist customers in the construction. See below for address and link to map for Rockler. If you can work that day, please contact Wayne Humphrey at wehumphrey@hotmail.com.

Toy Tally

Collected
March -- 730
YTD -- 2,764

Delivered
March -- 530
YTD for 2018-- 1903
Since 1994 -- 55,762!

2018 Target and Challenge Results

Target for Delivered Items: 6,141

To Date: **31%**

Right on Schedule!

Target for Member Participation: 30%

To Date: **10%**

Still Looking for a few more 1st Timers!

Key Toy Contributors

Over 100 Club
Steve Briner - 480
Bill Meuth - 329
Rich Sanders - 327

Over 500 Club
Wayne Humphrey - 526

David Knudsen - 170

Dale Norman - 120

Keith Lissant - 115

Bob Zahner - 104

Hospitals that we currently donate toys to include:

SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital

St. Louis Children's Hospital

Mercy Children's Hospital St. Louis

Shriners Hospitals for Children - St. Louis

Ranken Jordan Pediatric Bridge Hospital

"Bring Me a Book"

Michael Shipley, Executive Director of Bring Me A Book St. Louis, introduced himself to the Guild and further explained the organization. Several Guild members have already built book boxes as well as assembled kits for other members to take home and complete. Please contact member Tom Tierney if you're able to build additional boxes.



Toy Committee

Wayne Humphrey: (314) 440-2173

Bob Zahner: (314) 291-1878

Vickie Berry: (972) 741-1944

Hal Donovan: (314) 570-6563

Bill Schuchat: (314) 406-1823

Please contact us with comments, suggestions or if you need to arrange pickup or delivery of toys.

SAVE THE DATE

New CNC Focus Group Meeting

Date: Tuesday, April 24, 2018

Time: 6:00-7:00 PM

Location: Rockler Woodworking and Hardware

11977 St Charles Rock Road - Suite 110A

Bridgeton, MO 63044

Toy Build Day

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Fundamentals of Woodworking Class

Beginning in May!

Learning the Essential Skills of Good Craftsmanship

Are you new to woodworking? Wondered how to get started? What tools to buy and when? If you answered yes to these questions, the Saint Louis Woodworkers Guild has the answers.

A new class, which is tailored for new woodworkers, is being formed. The class will meet once a month for ten total sessions. The course will cover the essentials needed to start you on your woodworking journey. For example in *lesson one* you will learn about wood, its properties, how to select it and how to buy it. Each following lesson will build on the previous class throughout the course

Succeeding lessons will introduce you to hand tools and their proper use. Woodworking machinery and the safe use of both stationary and portable power tools. How to plan a project and purchase the materials required through finishing will be covered. Joinery techniques from mortise and tenons to hand cut dovetails will be taught.

Throughout the course, lectures will be followed by practical hands on exercises that will build your skills and provide the knowledge required to become an accomplished and safe woodworker. The course will wrap up with the construction of two projects which will challenge you and put your new knowledge into play.

Some “homework” will be required between sessions. While not required, it is highly recommended that class members attend the Guild’s Safety Class so that they may utilize the shop between classes.

The class size will be limited so don’t put off signing up! You can pay for the class, one of two ways; either monthly, (at \$30.00 per session), or an upfront, onetime

charge of \$250.00 for the total course. The cost of materials is extra and you should plan on acquiring some basic hand tools along the way.

The first class will be held at U Pick Hardwoods in St. Charles and is scheduled for Sunday, May 20th. Following classes will be held at the Faust Park Workshop and will continue on the third Sunday of each month for the next ten months

To enroll see James Payne.

For questions contact Wayne Watson at workswood@earthlink.net or 314-541-3047



New CNC Focus Group

Rockler has graciously offered up the local store for the new CNC Focus Group Meetings. Our first meeting will be Tuesday 24 April at 6pm. We will only have an hour at the store, but if we want to continue the discussions we can find someplace local there to grab dinner and talk. For this meeting there are no set discussion topics but we can probably talk about everyone's experience with CNC, software and what type of equipment we have. If you have some items that you have done on your CNC please bring them and we can have a show and tell portion. Click on link above for map to store.

Contact Jeff Morgan at jeff@webrecognitions.com for additional info.

Looking for a Web Site Designer

The Guild has found that the current web site is in need of upgrading so that it can be maintained by current operating systems. We are looking for an experienced volunteer(s) from the Guild membership to lead the effort to design and implement the new website to replace the existing one. Please contact one of the Guild officers or Directors if you would like to help out with this exciting project.

Faust Park Workshop Information

- ***To participate in the Workshop Safety Class or use the shop, you must have paid your 2018 Guild dues and have your new membership card.***
- ***To use the Guild Workshop during open hours, you must have passed a Workshop Safety Class.***

March Shop Hours

May 5 & 6, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

May 8 & 9, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

May 12 & 13, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

May 15 & 26, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Next Shop Safety Class

When:

Thursday, April 26
6:30 PM

Where:

Faust Park Workshop

Duration:

Plan for 3 Hours

Cost:

\$20 for Current Members



If you are a current or retired Boeing employee you can now contribute to the St. Louis Woodworker's guild through the Boeing Gift Match program. The guild is now an approved charitable organization with the Boeing program. As an employee participant, your donation of \$25.00 USD or more or the equivalent volunteer hours of 25 hours or more will be matched 1:1 by Boeing. The maximum individual contribution is \$6,000 .00 or 6,000 volunteer hours. Your contribution is tax deductible as long as you follow three simple steps:

Step 1: Eligible Boeing employees or retirees first make a contribution directly to the guild

Step 2: After making your donation go to Total Access and click on My Community Giving – GIVE – Gift Match on the Boeing Gift Match

page.

Step 3: Register your donation whether it's monetary or volunteer hours and select The St. Louis Woodworker's Guild and enter the total amount and the date of the contribution.

It's that easy, you get a great tax break and it benefits the guild directly. If you have any questions, please email Mike Sistek at president@slwg.org and if I don't know the answer, I will try to find it for you.



The St. Louis Woodworker's Guild is now listed with Amazon Smile.

AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite woodworker's guild every time you shop at no cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to the St. Louis Woodworker's Guild.

Simply go to smile.amazon.com and select the St. Louis Woodworker's Guild as your organization that you want to receive donations from your eligible purchases. The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. You don't make the donation, Amazon Smile does. It truly is at no cost to you. Just make

sure you go to smile.amazon.com instead of amazon.com. If you have any questions on how the program works, just send an email to Mike Sistek at president@slwg.org .

Join The Guild Today!

Member Benefits Include:

- > Discounts at Guild sponsors
- > Access to the Guild Shop & Project Workshops
- > Access to a local community of woodworkers
- > Access to the secure portion of the website

Just Complete & Return This Application!

Or, bring the completed form to the next meeting and Join right there!!! Cash, checks, or credit cards accepted.

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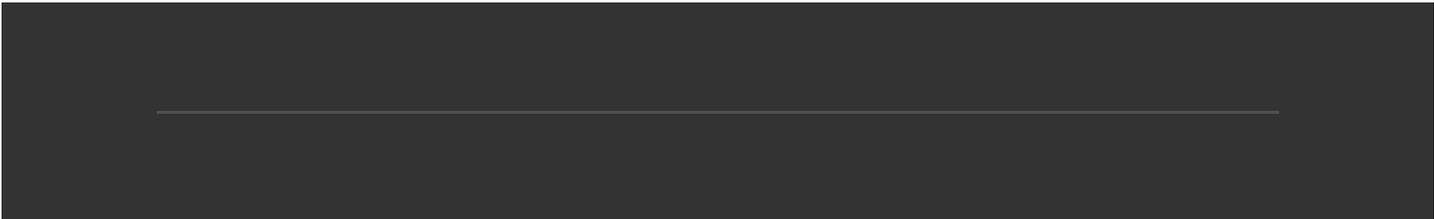
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