



Wood Words

The newsletter of the *Kansas City Woodworkers Guild*



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Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 19, 2010
Program: Safety in the Workshop
Program Starts at 7:00 PM

Sawdust:

The Presidents Corner

Happy New Year, Everybody! I hope you all had a safe and fun holiday. New Year's is always a time when we look ahead to the coming year. But before we look ahead we need to take a look back at the year just completed.

2010 was a very eventful year for the Kansas City Woodworkers' Guild. We have continued to see our membership numbers grow to nearly 400. We followed up on the successes of Kelly Mehler and Marc Adams with classes by Ben Hobbs on building a Pencil Post Bed, John Wilson on building oval Shaker boxes, and woodcarving for furniture with Nora Hall. Besides our always great programs at our monthly membership meetings, we learned how to do things really small with Bill Robertson.

2010 also saw the beginning of our move into the education game as we started our first classes, in woodworking, for home-schooled students. Not to be left out, there was our first Machine Woodworking class for the adults. Both of these classes were taught by our Director of Education, Kara Paris. I have had the pleasure of being at a couple of Kara's classes, helping

out, and was quite impressed with the work the students are turning out. I'm sure we can expect some new "Show and Tell" presenters in the near future. Along with these classes, we've begun to offer clinics and workshops, to our membership, taught by other members.

Besides all these great educational opportunities, our shop has seen growth as well. New planer, miter saw, thickness sander, spindle sander, and new, improved dust collection. Even a couple of new workbenches, built by member Rob Young, grace our shop's floor.

All of this doesn't come cheap. While tuition covers most of the classes, more money was needed to pay rent, utilities, and to keep our shop going. Well, we ran into some good luck when, former Guild President, Mike Jones got tired of cleaning up messes left by sub standard sample boxes. You see, Mike works for Field Turf, the artificial turf people. Each sample box not only contains turf, but the sand and granulated rubber that is its base.

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After cleaning up one to many messes, Mike approached his bosses about us building new better boxes for them and the rest is history. We were in the box making business.

Besides building boxes, 2010 saw our first KCWG/KCWT joint auction. The auction was a rousing success bringing in about \$15,000 before expenses. This was split with brethren at the Kansas City Woodturners' Association and was enough to pay our rent for a year.

Yes, it was a wonderful year for the Guild. But none of it would have been possible without YOU! Without you, the member, donating your time and efforts we wouldn't be anywhere near where we are today. Without you building boxes or helping out at the auction we're nowhere. This is your Guild and you keep it going and growing. So pat yourself on the back, because you've done a helluva job.

2011 looks to be another banner year. Lie-Nielson will be coming back in March right before Christopher Schwarz, Editor of *Popular Woodworking Magazine*, brings his hand tool expertise to town. In June, Doug Stowe, author and box maker extraordinaire, comes in to teach us a thing or two about making boxes. But it all starts at the end of this month with The Woodworking Show where we will once again have a booth. So rest up, it's going to be a busy year.

**So till next month,
I hope you're making sawdust.**

Kevin

Hand Tool — Special Interest Group

Next Meeting is Sunday, Jan 23, 2011

Hand Tool Sharpening Clinic

All Guild members are invited

Bring your edged tool to sharpen

For additional information please contact: **Rob Young**, ryoung@ieee.org 785-218-5636

CNC — Special Interest Group

. The January meeting will be spent getting the blanks prepared for the Wood Working Show . The next meeting is Tuesday January 4, 2011.

For additional information please contact:
Chuck Saunders , gooberdog@gmail.com

Scroll Saw — Special Interest Group

Next Meeting is Wednesday, January 12, 2011

For additional information please contact: **David A. Roth** chefroth@everstkc.net 913-338-2433

Shop Smith — Special Interest Group

Next Meeting is Sunday, January 2 at 2 PM

For additional information please contact: **William Johnston, Director of Communications**, johnston@everestkc.net, 913-492-6942.

KCWG Elections of **Officers and Directors**

Kansas City Woodworkers' Guild Officers and Directors serve a two year term. Half have terms expiring every other year. You have an opportunity to participate and be further involved in you Guild.

In accord with the By-laws (copy available in the Members Only Section) a Nominating Committee has been formed and is accepting nominations for the following positions:

Officers

Treasurer-responsible for fiscal matters of the Guild

Secretary-responsible for keeping the minutes of Guild meetings and activities

Directors

Assets-manage and oversee the equipment in the Guild shop

Events-oversee events such as Woodworking Show, Toy Project, and similar events

Programs-develop and coordinate programs at monthly meetings, manage show and tell and like programs

Sponsorship-identify and sign up sponsors, Guild attire (hats, shirts).

Elections take place at the April 2011 meeting. Nominations can be made at any time. Contact any of the Nominating Committee members with your nomination or suggestion for nomination or offer yourself as a nominee by contacting;

John Tegeler-Committee Chairman-913-461-9396 (johnteg@hotmail.com)

Gary Creek-913-449-1162 (g.creek@att.net)

Chuck Lynn-913-888-6043 (chasblynn@sbcglobal.net)

December General Meeting Report

The general meeting /Christmas banquet/ awards presentation was held at 7 PM on the 15th, in the Guild Shop. Members and their guests enjoyed a delicious catered meal accompanied by homemade desserts brought by members.

Following the meal, a Show and Tell contest was held, with everyone present eligible to vote for the winner. The top three projects in vote tallies were recognized.

Show and Tell participants were:

Michael Schipp-	Jewelry boxes (Second place)
Calvin Hobbs-	Side table (Third place)
Cave Clark-	Wooden padlock
Louis Armstrong-	Coping jig
John Tegeler-	Bandsaw box
Jerry Watson-	Inlaid Box
Ron Lomax-	Rocking chair (First place)
James Childress-	Large wooden pocket knife
Ken Grainger-	1760 Philadelphia footstool
Cliff O'Bryan-	China cabinet
Rob Young-	2 Candy bowls, Toy cricket xylophone
Stan Dirksen-	Wooden chain
Bill Kuhlman-	Christmas ornaments
John Hashimoto-	Wooden linked catapillar
Dave King-	Wood carving
Bill Fitzgibbons-	Wood carving

Awards Presentations

Three awards are typically given by the Guild at the end of the year. These awards are: **Lifetime Achievement Award**, **Contributor of the Year**, and **Member of the Year**. This award winner is one of the Member of the Month honorees, decided by the 12 honorees themselves.

This year's **Lifetime Achievement** winner was *Bill Evans*. Bill has spent countless hours helping the Guild over the last 8 years. He has served as Director of Programs, the person responsible for the monthly general programs, and presently serves as Assets Director, the person responsible for acquiring and maintaining the Guild's equipment and shop. This year's **Contributor of the Year** was given to two members-- *Rob Young* and *Kara Paris*. Rob is one of the shop foremen and also serves on the education committee. He has given a program presentation at one of the monthly meetings and also has conducted several workshops and classes for the Guild. Kara is the Director of Education for the Guild and also serves on the Safety Committee. She is teaching several classes for the Guild, including a basic woodworking class for home-schooled children. The **Member of the Year** award winner was *Chuck Saunders*. He serves as Events Director, and is a founding member of the CNC SIG. .

Rough to Ready Wood Preparation Clinic

January 15, 2011

9 AM - 12 Noon

This clinic is intended to help the woodworker understand the steps involved in preparing wood for making a project. It begins with the selection of wood, describing the benefits of using rough sawn or already milled stock and include some guidelines about ordering or buying wood. Next, there will be a demonstration on how to arrange project pieces on stock before it is milled. This clinic offers advice on selecting pieces best used for common applications like stiles and rails, for panels and getting the best grain orientation and appearance. Techniques and procedures will be discussed and demonstrated for milling the stock, using the miter saw, bandsaw, jointer, planer, and table saw. Some hand tool methods will also be used to illustrate you don't need to shop full of large equipment. And finally, time permitting, there will be an exercise to properly glue up a panel with particular emphasis on the use of clamps and adhesive.

Bandsaw Tuneup Clinic with Dave Kratz

January 22, 2011

12-4pm

Back by popular demand, Dave Kratz will demonstrate bandsaw tuneup methods. Get your bandsaw humming along and cutting perfectly.

Hand Tool Sharpening Clinic with KCWG Hand Tool SIG

January 23, 2011

2pm-4pm

Do you know what a SHARP chisel or plane blade really looks like and how to do it? The Hand Tool SIG will be demonstrating sharpening methods using oilstones, waterstones, Scary-sharp, WorkSharp 3000, high-speed and low-speed grinders, wet grinders and various honing methods. We will demonstrate jigs for helping you sharpen as well as free-hand sharpening methods. Learn to make your tools work for you instead of against you. Bring a chisel or plane blade to try for yourself and ask the hard questions.

All Things Education 2011

Orientation Safety Training

Tuesday, January 11, 7 PM

Wednesday, February 23, 7 PM

Dates for all year are listed on the web!

Please sign up at:

training@kcwoodworkersguild.org

January

Rough to Ready Clinic with Ron Lomax

Saturday, January 15, 9 AM - 12 noon.

Understand the steps involved in preparing wood for making a project from rough wood to ready for a project. Sign up with Kara and bring a guest.

training@kcwoodworkersguild.org

Tool Tote Workshop with Rob Young

Saturday, January 15, 12 - 4 PM

& Sunday, January 16, 10 AM - 4 PM.

If you plan on making hand cut dovetails & you need to learn how &/or



practice, plan on coming to Open shop Sunday, January 9, any time between 10 AM & 4 PM to work on that with Rob. Tuition is \$50.00 and Materials Fee is \$35.00. Pay on line

<http://www.kcwoodworkersguild.org/Education/WorkShop/ToolTote.htm>

or contact

training@kcwoodworkersguild.org

Bandsaw Tune Up Clinic with Dave Kraatz

Saturday, January 22, 1:00 PM. If you have a bandsaw at home and would like to know more about how to tune it up and make adjustments to it so it will run better, this is the clinic for you!

Sign up with Kara and bring a guest.

training@kcwoodworkersguild.org

Hand Tool SIG Sharpening Clinic

Sunday, January 23, 2:00 PM.

Homeschoolers Intro to Machine Woodworking WH101 & Intermediate Machine Woodworking WH102 will begin a 13 week class

Monday, January 24, 2011 9:30 AM

Intro to Machine Woodworking Night Class

NC 101 will begin a 13 week class Thursday,

January 27, 7 - 10 PM. Tuition \$185.00 Members, \$235 Non-members, Plus \$40 materials fee.

Triple Box Class with Ron Lomax

Begin a 13 week, 3 hours each.

Tuition \$130.00 Materials

February

Tablesaw Techniques Clinic Saturday, February 5 9 AM - 12 noon.

Roubo Workbench Clinics February 12, 12 - 4 PM

February 13, 10 AM - 4 PM, February 19, 10 AM - 4 PM, & February 20, 10 AM - 4 PM.

Finger Joint Tray Workshop Friday, February 25

Tuition \$30 plus \$15 materials fee.

Basic Chisel Techniques Clinic

Hand tool SIG - Sunday February 27, 2 PM

March

Router Basics & Joinery Workshop with Scott Englemann

Build a Router Table Workshop with Ken Sokol

Faux Dovetail Clinic with Rob Young Sunday, March 27, 2 - 4 PM

Chris Schwarz Workshop, Popular Woodworking Editor & Author. March 18, 19, & 20, 2011.

Hand Plane Essentials, Sawing Essentials,

Dovetail Joinery, & Workbenches & Tool Chests.

Non-Member Tuition \$100 for per day or \$200 all

Member Tuition \$80 for per day or \$150 all

Early Bird Special Pay by February 16, KCWG Members Only Tuition \$125.00 all

Bring your money to the meeting or enroll now

<http://www.kcwoodworkersguild.org/Education/EnrollmentChrisSchwarz.htm>

April

Power Miter Saw Tune up Clinic

Power Miter Techniques 101 Clinic

Cutting Crown, Chair Rail, & Molding Clinic

Picture Frame Workshop

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It's Membership renewal time again !

Woodworker Plus \$75 Best Value

This replaces last year's Associate membership.

Benefits :

- 20% discount on Guild Activities (trips, seminars, training & workshops)
- 20% discount on Guild Merchandise (hats , shirts etc...)
- Open Shop privileges
- All Regular Member Benefits

Senior (Over 65) - \$25

Benefits :

- All Regular Member Benefits

Student - \$15

Any Full-Time High School or College Student

Benefits :

- All Regular Member Benefits

Sawdust Maker \$55

Benefits :

- Open Shop privileges
- All Regular Member Benefits

Regular Membership - \$35

Benefits :

- Demonstrations
- Exchange of Knowledge
- Fellowship
- Free access to the Guild's Video & Print Library
- Lectures and/or Demonstrations from Master Woodworkers
- Mentoring Program
- Monthly Newsletter
- Tool Reviews
- Safety Programs
- Community Service Programs
- Purchase Discounts
- Auctions

The Guild spent an average of \$300 per month on shop expenses last year. The Woodworker Plus and Sawdust Maker additional memberships fees will be used in maintaining the cost of running the shop.

Renew now!

<http://www.kcwoodworkersguild.org/Membership/memberform2011renewal.htm>

The Turf Box Project

Past President, Mike Jones, brought us the Turf Box Project in 2010. Essentially we contracted to make wooden boxes that will hold artificial turf samples. We produced and shipped, over three weeks, some 500 boxes, earning the guild over \$3,500. We will be making another 1,500 similar boxes in 2011 that will bring into our Treasury \$10,000 to \$15,000. Separately, currently subcontracted, we are producing a number of 'briefcase' style turf boxes and may make more of these later in the year ourselves. This project rivals, and will eventually exceed, the Andre's Project that got the Guild, as we know it today, financially started.

We will start the next phase of the Turf Box Project, consisting of making 750 boxes, in mid-January, finishing mid-February. This is definitely not just a Guild money making project. Participants will have the opportunity learn and develop their skills in box making, using the table saw to size and rebating, planing to thickness, precision mitering, assembly and glue-up, silk screening, and final fit and finish.

Volunteer for the Turf Box Project!

A variety of times will be available from which to choose to volunteer to work on the Turf Box Project at the Shop. Times will be available in the morning, afternoon, or evenings. You should be able to choose areas for your personal skill development as well.

To volunteer please contact Cliff Bell (cliffordwbell@gmail.com) and provide him with the following general information regarding your preferences (he will get back to you with available times):

Preference: A.M., P.M., Evenings, Weekend or Weekday, Work Preference (using the table saw to size and rabbit, planing to thickness, precision mitering, assembly and glue-up, silk screening, and final fit and finish).

Announcing "Guildshares"

Due to the amount of resources needed to take advantage of this Guild Funding opportunity (Turf Box Project) the Board has authorized the issuance of "**Guildshares**" to members for each hour of volunteer work. While the income from the Turf Box Project will benefit the Guild, part of the expenses built into the project will be spent on "**Guildshares**". While the exact value of **Guildshares** has not been finalized, the Guildshare expenses build into each box is \$1.50. Members who work on the box project will receive these **Guildshares** to use on any personal Guild expense including dues, Guild logo ware, classes & workshops, virtually any Guild activity where money changes hands.

Members, volunteering for the Turf Box Project, will sign in and out, in order to record hours volunteered. Members will regularly be advised, via email, of the number of Guildshares available for exchange for Guild fee services.

Background

At the Kansas City Woodworkers' Guild we have been fortunate, compared to other Guilds around the country, to be able to afford the cost of occupying our 10,000 square feet of space, shared with the Kansas City Woodturners, for our well equipped shop and meetings. Next year's budget shows the Guild will be spending about \$30,000 on rent & utilities, additional tools and shop expenses, and the many benefits that our members enjoy. At the December meeting, President Kevin Thomas announced that we were able to put \$15,000 into a "Building Acquisition Fund".

All of this has been produced through the ingenuity and hard & generous volunteer work of our members.

Some of the milestones that funded our Guild started with the Andre's Project where we made tables, benches, and chairs. This allowed us to confidently equip our shop with tools and audio visual equipment, pay rent for two years, and embark on other projects such as bringing in top niche woodworkers from around the country like Kelly Mehler, Marc Adams, and Ben Hobbs for weekend workshops.

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This past year, 2010, was a great year with additional milestones including growth to over 400 members, an extremely successful auction generating over \$14,000 shared with the Turners to pay rent, and the Turf Box project where we made 500 boxes and earned over \$3,500 while acquiring additional shop tools. Members hard work, along with the confidence and determination to move forward, has provided us in 2010 with a trip to the home of Woodsmith/Shopnotes, John Wilson, the Shaker Boxmaker, Bill Robertson's Miniature Woodworking, fill 10 booths at the Working Show, Lie-Nielsen Hand Tool Event, Open House Day, Old World Finishing with Randy Bohn, and Nora Hall, Master Woodcarver. We also enjoyed numerous classes, clinics, and workshops including the making hand planes, woodworking tool tune-ups, and two 13-week woodworking courses, one for Home Schooled Students and another for adults. In addition, we have added two Special Interest Groups bringing our total to four ... CNC Routing, Handtools, Scroll Saw, and Shopsmith. Three of these SIGs have received significant donations of tools to facilitate the the activities of the SIGs.

We have indeed been fortunate ... we made it happen ... through hard work, imagination, determination, and the fortitude of our members.

How will we continue to build and fund the Guild and produce the accustomed benefits of membership in 2011? Can we earn funding to contribute additional funds to acquire our own building when we need it? YES! By Volunteering your services and getting involved, we continue to make the Kansas City Woodworkers' Guild the best in the Country.



Cliff Bell

Vice President

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May

Intarsia with David Roth
Bandsaw Boxes

June

Doug Stowe Workshop, Box maker and Author.
 June 16-19, 2011.

July

Starting up again with home Mentoring

Box Clinic & Demo Jim McCord in his shop showing how he makes boxes in Excelsior Springs, MO. 10 AM Limit of 3

Dealing with Small Stock Clinic
Bandsaw Box with John Tegler

Submitted by: Kara Paris, Director of Training



January 29th—January 30th
Overland Park International Trade Center

Director of Events, Chuck Saunders, is asking that you start preparing your Show & Tell for the Woodworking Show by contacting him to let him know what you will be bringing and describe your items that you will have on display. We will certainly have less space this year which means that we will need to be better organized earlier.

Additionally, should you wish to demonstrate a technique at the show, please let Chuck know right away.

Did you do a clinic in 2010 or scheduled for a clinic in 2011? A section from that clinic would make a great demo at our booth(s) at the show.

Please contact Chuck Saunders **Director of Events**, early at gooberdog@gmail.com

Renew your KCWG Membership Now

Be sure to meet some our
New to You
members at each meeting

Watch for the Guild Show Case at
the Woodworking Show

Coming Programs and events

January Meeting
Safety in the Workshop
February Meeting
Water Borne Finishes
March Meeting
Boyko Varney
&
Ornamental Turning

Calendar

Leadership Meetings, 7:00 pm, 9701 W 67th St,
Merriam, Kansas 66203

Guild meetings, 7:00 pm 9701 W 67th St, Merriam,
Kansas 66203, enter from west, go downstairs,
come at 6:15 to share and visit.

Executive Meetings 2010/2011 Guild Meetings

Jan 5	May 4	Jan 19	May 18
Feb 1	Jun 1	Feb 16	Jun 15
Mar 2	July 6	Mar 16	July 20
Apr 6	Aug 3	Apr 20	Aug 17

Upcoming Programs

Bandsaw Box Workshop with John Tegler
2 sessions January 7 & 8, 2011
Rough to Ready Clinic with Ron Lomax
Saturday, January 15, 2011
Tool Tote Workshop with Rob Young
January 15, &16, 2011
Bandsaw Tune Up Clinic with Dave Kraatz
Saturday, January 22, 2011
Popular Woodworking Editor & Author
Chris Schwarz, March 19 & 20, 2011
Box maker and Author, Doug Stowe
June 16-19, 2011

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