

Guild News

Kelly Mehler is coming November 16th & 17th !!!!

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It's not too late to sign up for Kelly Mehler ...Mike Key will be taking reservations and payments at the November meeting

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President's Message

We have so many good programs and our last was no exception. **Norm Ellis** always has an excellent presentation and this last was one of the best. Thank you, **Norm!!** I hope you made the pre-meeting program – it was like we had two with both **Buzz** and **Nelda** doing demos on stringing. Aren't we fortunate to have three such talented people in our Guild? **Nelda – Buzz**, thank you also!!

What a show!! I think our show has the finest pieces we have ever had. The competition has definitely taken a step up. I saw numerous things in the show that would have taken a blue ribbon in the past that got nothing this year. We also had the most items entered. Congratulations to you for what you have done and to **Paul Mancill** and **Dwight Hostetter** for their efforts and to **Kathy Shivers, Cheri Phillips** and **Kate Newman** for the fine reception.

I hope you saw the pictures on our website of the day at AIDB. What an emotional day. If you were there and kept dry eyes all day ----! If you have a need to help your fellow mankind, consider working with **Buddy Finch, Barron Bartlett** and all the others to help those kids at AIDB. I have no doubt that all the work the Friday PM group and the work you do is just as worthwhile, but at AIDB we experienced it first hand.

Speaking of the Friday PM Group, our program, as every November, is toys. It's time to bring them in – you still can easily make ten more before Thursday night and it will help us exceed last year's goal of 4139.

In addition to collecting toys at our next meeting, the only business items will

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One more toy workshop on Saturday, November 10th at Buzz and Nelda's shop. (more information on page 2)

November Meeting Elsie Baker Memorial Toys Program

Time to bring in all those toys you've been making all year! Representatives from Children's Hospital, DHR, and other worthy groups will be there to collect toys for their programs. **Buddy Finch** and his Fridays Group will be there with all their toys hoping that, with our help, they can break last year's record number.

There's a little more time to make another toy or two, we heard that the folks at the hospital are looking for simple animal cut outs to paint and some one inch alphabet letters. It wouldn't take long to cut out a few of those and add to the stack!

We're also thinking to add to the festivity by asking woodworker wives and families to attend. Kelly Mahler should also be there for the evening. Hope you will be there too!

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be presenting the "Best of Show" award and electing our new officers and BOD members for the coming year. In addition to the slate from the Nominating Committee presented last month, you will have the opportunity to nominate from the floor. Come prepared to vote.

This is almost your last chance to come to the Kelly Mehler seminar – after our upcoming meeting, it's the next morning. **Dan Browning** and **Glenn Phillips** have worked hard to arrange this and I can promise you Kelly will give a good seminar. Support your Guild and be there!!

*Our December meeting is our Christmas Party and the date is **December 13** at 6:00PM at our regular meeting place, The Homewood Senior Center. Mark your calendar...**this is a week earlier than our regular meeting day!***

For me the last two years being your President have been more than a treat. I have enjoyed a great Board with which to work and the support from you has been unreal. With your help we have come a long way towards having our own facility with a shop and if you continue to support your new President as you have me, I know we will have a place soon. We already have some very nice tools and, thanks to the generosity of **Jim Lee** and **John Lawson**, we have a place for them. **Charlie Ard** has done a great job with community service, as has **Nelda Kelly** with the Guild News, **Jim Lee** with Show and Tell, **Buddy Finch** with the Friday Group, **Brian Stauss** with the website, **Mel Brown** with the audio and sound system, **Monta King** with photography, **Paul Mancill** with the Show, **Glenn Phillips** with publicity, **John Lawson** and **Jim Caldwell** with the education planning, **Eddie Heerten** with the Library, **Dan Browning** with the building committee and all of you who work to make our Guild a success. Thank You!!!

Work Safe! **Bill**

Cullman Splinter Group News

Guild Members are currently building toys on work days and on their own for the Christmas Love Program. These toys will be given to children through the Christmas Love program that may not have a gift Christmas Morning. The next work day will be a monthly meeting November 8th. November 10th will be the first "Splinter Group" shop tour. Laurie and John Weisner are offering up their shop.

Officer Elections for 2008

We will be electing officers at our November meeting. The proposed slate or positions up for election includes:

Officers and Board Positions to be voted upon:

President	Mike Key
Vice President	A.R. Bray
Secretary	Monta King
Treasurer	Walter Barnett
Board Members:	Micheal Tomlin
	Troy Stroud

Thanks to our nominating committee **Glenn Phillips, Troy Stroud, and Jim Caldwell**. There will be an opportunity for nominations before we railroad...I mean elect the above mentioned nominees.

Directions to Toy Workshop

**Saturday, November 10th at
Buzz & Nelda Kelly's House
8:30AM until ?**

From I65
Take the CAHABA VALLEY RD / AL-119 exit- EXIT 246.
Turn LEFT onto AL-119 N / CAHABA VALLEY RD.
1.2 miles (look for Co Rd 379 sign on right)
Turn LEFT onto ARROWHEAD LN / CR-379.
0.2 miles
Turn RIGHT onto INDIAN CREST DR / CR-366.
0.1 miles
Turn RIGHT onto INDIAN FOREST RD.
<0.1 miles
INDIAN FOREST RD becomes PAWNEE DR.
<0.1 miles
89 Pawnee Dr is on left - look for brick fence

We're starting about 8:30 AM and going until early afternoon. (Or whenever we run out of supplies for toys, which isn't likely) There'll be some coffee and snacks. We'll have some soup or something for lunch to keep us going.

No experience required. We will put you to work doing something and we always have a good time. Bring your own mask, hearing protection, and sense of humor.

Mel Brown would like you to know that DVDs are available at www.bama4u.org/video.htm. A wide variety of topics for Woodworkers and Woodturners. We often forget all the details given by the demonstrator by the time we get home. Guild members get a special price for only \$10 for each DVD which includes postage.

Welcome New Members:

Robert E. Carroll, Hueytown
Tom Hunt, Birmingham



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Toys	1 J. Ralph Hardwick	Train Engine w/ Car & Track
	2 Dwight Hostetter	Farmer's market truck & cargo
	3 J. Ralph Hardwick	Tractor w/backhoe & loader
Tools & Jigs	1 Jeff Bishop	Router Table
	2 A. R. Bray	Display stand for Chisels
	3 Leonard Sanders	Exquisite Compass
Carvings	1 A. R. Bray	Walnut Log Carved Indian
	2 A. R. Bray	Young boy bust
	3 Frank Jones	Ebony Walking Stick
Refinish	1 Jim Anchors	Oak Table Top
Traditional Furniture		
Beg	1 W. Patrick Weissend	4 Drawer Dresser
Inter	1 Harold Hall	Tea Table
	2 Jeff Bishop	Breakfast table with leaf
	3 Martin Cogen	Mahogany Dictionary Stand
Adv	1 Buzz & Nelda Kelly	Matched Pair Card Tables
	2 David Patterson	Side Table
	3 Ron Griffin	Cherry Chest
Mast	1 Cliff Daniels	Cherry Grandfather Clock
	2 Dan Browning	Plate rack
	3 Fred Baker	Windsor Chair
Contemporary Furniture		
Beg	1 Chris Heerten	Cherry/maple wall cabinet
	2 Jim Anchors	4 Leg Fern Stand
Inter	1 Joe Balch	Wedge-tenon bench
	2 Alexander Todorov	Cherry Bench
	3 Ron Griffin	Australian Martini Table
Adv	1 Buzz & Nelda Kelly	Walnut Hunt Board
	2 Ed Allen	Communion Table
	3 Eddie Heerten	Checker Table
Mast	1 Norm Ellis	Canary Wood Bench
	2 Norm Ellis	Wine Cabinet
Other		
Beg	1 W. Patrick Weissend	Rocking Horse
	2 Dewey Purvis	Keepsake Box
	3 W. Patrick Weissend	Frame(children)
Inter	1 Eddie Stephens	Frame (Patton)
	2 Eddie Stephens	Frame (fisherman)
	3 Eddie Stephens	Frame (Heron)
Adv	1 Buzz & Nelda Kelly	Box
	2 Jeff Hood	Oak keepsake box
	3 A. R. Bray	Nested Shaker Boxes
Mast	1 Michael Tomlin	Walnut door
	2 Dwight Hostetter	Red Oak Coffee Grinder
	3 Dwight Hostetter	Pagoda box
Wood Turning		
Beg	1 Troy Stroud	3 Peppermills
	3 Nathan Heerten	Honey Dipper
	3 Buddy Finch	Weed Pot
Inter	1 Paul Mancill	Mahogany Salad Bowl
	2 Ron Hoff	Ring Box – Bubinga
	3 Jeff Hood	Walnut walking cane
Adv	1 Maurice Clabaugh	Dogwood stump turning
	2 Cliff Saxon	Salad Bowl
	3 George Shelton	Manzanita burl bowl
Mast	1 Dwight Hostetter	1009 Piece Segmented bowl
	2 Dwight Hostetter	Laminated rolling pin & stand
	3 Cliff Daniels	Maple/rosewood salt & pepper

Items for Sale

10" Craftsman table saw with rigid precision rip fence \$200. 30 bd feet 8 quarter mahogany, 7 to 8" wide 8' long \$3.00 bd ft.

Paul Owen, 823-4842

JET Special Edition contractor's saw with 30" Xacta fence. Has two cast iron wings and a table between the rails to allow for a 30" cut to the right of the blade. Mounted on an HTC roller base which cost more than \$100. Will include two new micro jig splitters (thin and regular kerf) and a couple of zero clearance plates. This is an excellent saw, used very little (less than 20 hours). \$575 for the package.

JET "Dust Dog", canister-type dust collector. 1-1/2 hp 1100 cfm. Used less than 5 hours. Need a more powerful unit for my shop layout. This dust collector currently retails for \$479.00. Will take \$375.00.

Troy Stroud, 205-670-9267, tandr41@sbcglobal.net

Jet 10" contractor table saw with cast iron wings. Extended right wing and router insert. Jet mobile base. New Jet 30" fence (never used). 7 years old. \$600.

Brian Stauss 987-9997 or kybgs@bellsouth.net.

The Show for 2007

The 2007 AWG Juried Show was a great success! For the first time we had over 100 pieces entered with 105 as a final count and the quality of workmanship was outstanding. Thanks to everyone who participated! Special thanks are due to **Dwight Hostetter, Buzz and Nelda Kelly, Marcia Mancill** and our judge, Ron Peyton. Also, I want to thank **Bill and Cathy Shivers** for the wonderful reception that they put together. Finally I want to thank WAWA for their participation with special thanks to **Norm Ellis** for hauling pieces from Tuscaloosa on a busy Saturday morning. WAWA has some outstanding woodworkers and their participation went a long way to making this perhaps the best show in our 24 year history. Thanks again! **Paul**

*No one was prouder of their ribbons than our youngest participants, **Chris & Nathan Heerten**. Both put their first pieces ever in the show. **Chris** got first place in Contemporary Furniture / Beginners. **Nathan** took third place in Turning / Beginners. **Sophie (Paul & Marcia Mancill's granddaughter below)** was enjoyed by all while her grandparents worked diligently on show set up!*



Christmas is coming up real soon! Our party is December 13th at the Senior Center. Start collecting door prizes for our party now! Make something neat to share or get your favorite vendor to donate something. It's more fun when there are lots of door prizes because everyone likes to win!

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Fred Sandlin, an AWG member who owns and operates a professional sharpening service, will pick-up your saw blades and other tools at each meeting, sharpen them, and return them to you the following month.

Fred's charge for this service is at his standard rates less a 5% discount for Guild members.

Call **Fred** at (205) 663-7524 to coordinate pick-up & delivery.

Meeting Directions:

Homewood Senior Center 816 Oak Grove Road Homewood, AL

From I65 South, take the West Oxmoor exit, merge into center lane. Go through 2 lights. When in doubt, merge left. At the 3rd light (Florida Grill and Weygand Surveyors) take a left. Go to the black mail box and turn right into Senior Center property. The center has a green roof. (205) 943-0018

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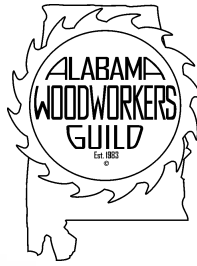


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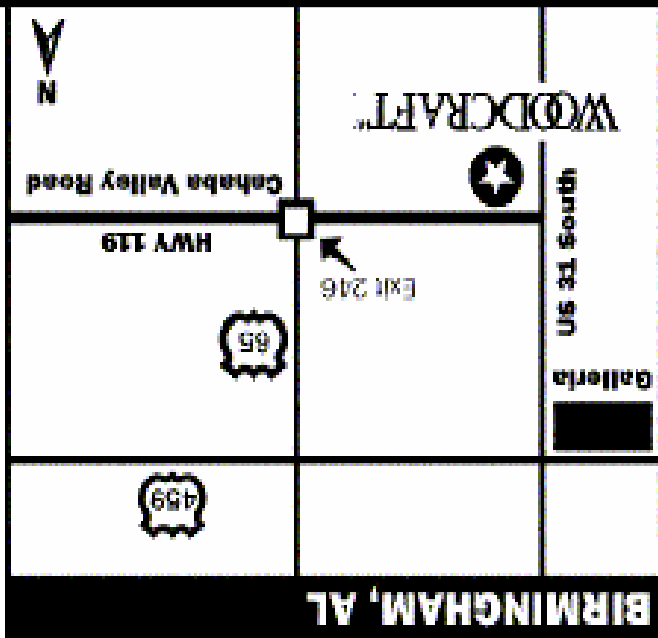


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