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# Guild News



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## Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting will be on February 18, 2012.

9:30 A.M.  
Pre-meeting

10:00 A.M.  
Meeting



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## President's Message

To me it looks like we started off the year with a bang. Our January meeting had the largest attendance that we have had in a very long time. Charlie Ard presented a great program which included a history lesson as well as a program on how to build and maintain a boat. Thanks Charlie for a job well done. Also, so far in January we have had 13 new members join the guild. Thanks to the new members and you older members seek them out and make them welcome. Also the Walker Turner band saw was sold for \$150.

We are putting together the 2012 directory and only those that have paid their dues will be in the directory so get your dues paid. You can send them to Walter Barnett or any of the supervisors at the WEC will take your check or cash.

Chris Mazur is working hard to develop a training schedule that will give the members the training they desire. He passed around copies of a survey at the January meeting seeking your input. If you have not filled out one of these contact Chris and he will get you a copy. We want to provide training classes and seminars that the membership wants and we can't do that without your input.

You heard about a "New Member Orientation" program at the January meeting which will be scheduled very shortly. While this is titled for new members it would benefit most all our members to attend and learn how the guild functions.

Our next meeting program is going to be unique and appears that it will be very interesting, so don't miss it.

I encourage all our members to attend our monthly meetings and get involved in the activities of the guild.

Cliff

**DUES ARE DUE!!!**  
**Your 2011 Alabama Woodworkers Guild Dues are now due. Remember: your using the shop is contingent on you paying your dues!**

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## Welcome New AWG Members!

The Alabama Woodworkers Guild would like to extend a warm welcome to our new members!!

Jimmy Beard, Lee Berdinski, Michelle Bowen, Mike Kelly, Guy Marcum, Jim Palmer, James Shaw, Margie Shaw, Clayton Smith, Steve Stutts, Scott Tyner, Lisa Vickery, and Randy Worman

## Pay it Forward, 2012

I recently saw a status being passed around Facebook. I thought it would be fun to participate in this so I re-posted it. It went like this:

Pay It Forward 2012: This is my first year, so bear with me. For the first \*5\* people who comment, I will make SOMETHING specifically for you. It may be art. It may be craft. It may be food. I might even write you a book. To be honest, until I make it, I haven't a clue -what- it's going to be. But it will be just for you. Made by me. And you will have it within a year (give or take). BUT there's a rule. And it's important!!, so please don't comment if you can't abide by it: YOU have to post something similar on your page and actually MAKE SOMETHING for the first 5 people who respond to you, okay? I'm really excited about this... ready, set, post!

I thought some of the AWG membership may be interested in doing something like this as it's a great excuse to get out there and learn a new skill, or hone one you already have. Have fun with it!

Wayne Burris

WEC FEBRUARY/MARCH 2012 CALENDAR

February/March 2012						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5[6] 1:00pm - 5:00pm ... Mike Key	6 Feb	7	8	9	10 9:00am - 1:00pm L. Smith 11:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys 1:00pm - 5:00pm L. Smith 5:00pm - 9:00pm ... Eddie Heerten	11 9:00am - 1:00pm ... Brian Stauss 1:00pm - 5:00pm Pat Bush supervisor
12[7] 1:00pm - 5:00pm Pat Bush supervisor	13	14	15	16	17 9:00am - 1:00pm R Hardwick 11:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys 1:00pm - 5:00pm R Hardwick 5:00pm - 9:00pm ... Mike Key	18 9:00am - 1:00pm Bob Moore 9:30am - 10:00am Monthly pre-meeting (Woodworking Education Center) 10:00am - 11:30am Monthly Guild Meeting (Woodworking Education Center) 1:00pm - 5:00pm Bob Moore
19[8] 1:00pm - 5:00pm ... Mike Key	20	21	22	23	24 9:00am - 1:00pm Randall Robertson 11:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys 1:00pm - 5:00pm supervisor --- Cliff Daniels 5:00pm - 9:00pm ... Eddie Heerten	25 Member Orientation Session 9:30-12:30 (WEC closed to woodworking) 9:00am - 1:00pm ... Brian Stauss 1:00pm - 5:00pm ... Mike Key
26[9] 1:00pm - 5:00pm Montia King	27	28	29	1 Mar	2 9:00am - 1:00pm Ron Powell - supervisor 11:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys 1:00pm - 5:00pm Ron Powell - supervisor 5:00pm - 9:00pm ... Mike Key	3 9:00am - 1:00pm ... Brian Stauss 1:00pm - 5:00pm ... no supervisor
4[10] 1:00pm - 5:00pm ... Paul Mancill	5	6	7 6:30pm - 7:30pm AWG Board Meeting (J.R. Prewitt & Associates, 2146 Highland Avenue South)	8	9 9:00am - 1:00pm L. Smith 11:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys 1:00pm - 5:00pm L. Smith 5:00pm - 9:00pm ... Mike Key	10 9:00am - 1:00pm ... Brian Stauss 1:00pm - 5:00pm Cliff Daniels- supervisor

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## February Pre-Meeting and Meeting

**Pre-Meeting:** John Lawson is bringing his Dewalt Tracksaw to demonstrate for our pre-meeting this month.

**Meeting:** Did you know that some of the same joints we use for our furniture are used in buildings? Larry Morris of Southern Timberwrights will join us for our February meeting to give a talk and demonstration on timber framing. He'll be bringing along a selection of tools, from new to antique, for us to play with.

Larry graduated from Auburn with a degree in engineering and has been in the timber framing business for 20 years. Southern Timberwrights ([www.southerntimberwrights.com](http://www.southerntimberwrights.com)) has built many commercial and residential buildings throughout the southeastern U.S. Larry has conducted several timber frame workshops and taught at the School of Building Arts in Charleston SC.

Cheryl





## January Show and Tell

The show and tell portion of the AWG meetings is an opportunity to share your experience, knowledge, and skill with the rest of the Guild. Made an ingenious jig to overcome some problem? Bring it to the next meeting so we can all learn about it? Tried a new area of woodworking? Bring a project in and let us know what you learned. Or, maybe you just want to show off some of your best work? Bring it in!



When you bring your project in, don't forget to sign in on the show and tell sheet before the meeting begins so we'll know who to call up to the microphone.



## American Village—Paul Revere Presentations

AWG members, plan on attending one of the Paul Revere programs for kindergarten through the third grade students. The Guild provided the American Village with several sets, including a row boat, for their program. All of the sets will have been painted by the American Village staff.

Program dates are March 19-23, 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2012. There are to be several presentations to students thru each day starting at 9:40 AM. There is a special recognition of the Guild scheduled for March 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM prior to the day's first presentation. A photographer, newspaper reporter and American Village dignitaries will be present on the 26<sup>th</sup>. Directions and access instructions to the American Village will be provided in the March Guild News.

### Call For Submissions

Send your articles, musings, pictures, poetry, etc. to Wayne Burris at Waterseeker@hotmail.com for consideration to be included in the next issue!

### New Member Orientation

The Alabama Woodworkers Guild has been blessed with a large increase in membership over the last two years. As a result many members are fairly new to the Guild and have questions concerning who we are, what we see as the purpose and mission of the Guild and how we sustain the operation of the Woodworking Education Center.

President Cliff Daniels has asked that we offer a "member orientation session" to be open to **ALL** members who would like to attend. The orientation session will be held Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 at the Woodworking Education Center. We expect the session to last about two hours and will conclude with a lunch being provided.

We will discuss this session more at the next monthly meeting but we wanted to give you plenty of advanced notice so you can place this event on your calendar.

(Naturally, the WEC will be closed to machine operation during this session)

Monta King

## Calling All Mentors!!!

There are a number of AWG members that would benefit from a mentorship program (myself included) but we need members that are willing to take people under their wings and show them the ropes. Are you willing to be a mentor? If so, what subjects are you comfortable mentoring? Ron Griffin is the contact for the mentor program. You can reach him at carol.griffin3@att.net or (205)-414-9344.

On that note, please take the time to fill out the member survey that Chris Mazur has put together. The information you provide will help steer the activities and classes that the guild offers in the future.

## Thanks, Charlie!

Thanks to Charlie Ard for his great presentation at the last meeting! It was entertaining and informative. Thanks, Charlie!

## NOTICE!!

As of this writing only about half of our membership has paid their dues. The Board of Directors voted in their last meeting that any member that has not paid their dues by March 1 will lose their privileges of using the facilities of the WEC until dues are paid. Dues are our primary source of revenue and without them we can not continue to operate the WEC as we do now. So please get your dues up to date. We don't want anyone to lose their WEC privileges.

## Comfort Bucket

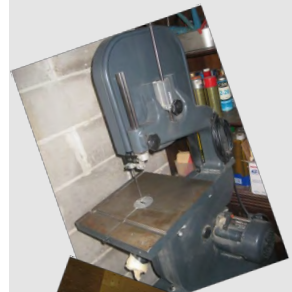
Your donations to the comfort bucket are appreciated. The guild uses this money to help pay the bills at the W.E.C. Thanks!

**Older Craftsman Jointer with stand -- 6"**, Free to a good home, needs major restoration plus motor. May deliver... Call Dick Trueb @ 205-540-7384.

### Tools for Sale

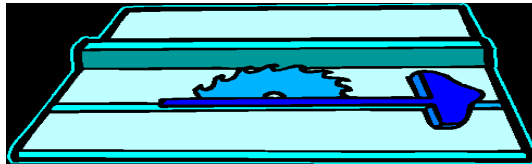
Mrs. Ann Turner has her husband's carving tools and a few woodworking tools for sale as shown in these pictures. Interested members should call Mrs. Turner at 205-988-0264.

The tools are all in good shape and well cared for. Please make a fair offer. The band saw and drill press are Craftsman. Carving knives are mostly Swill made Pfeil.



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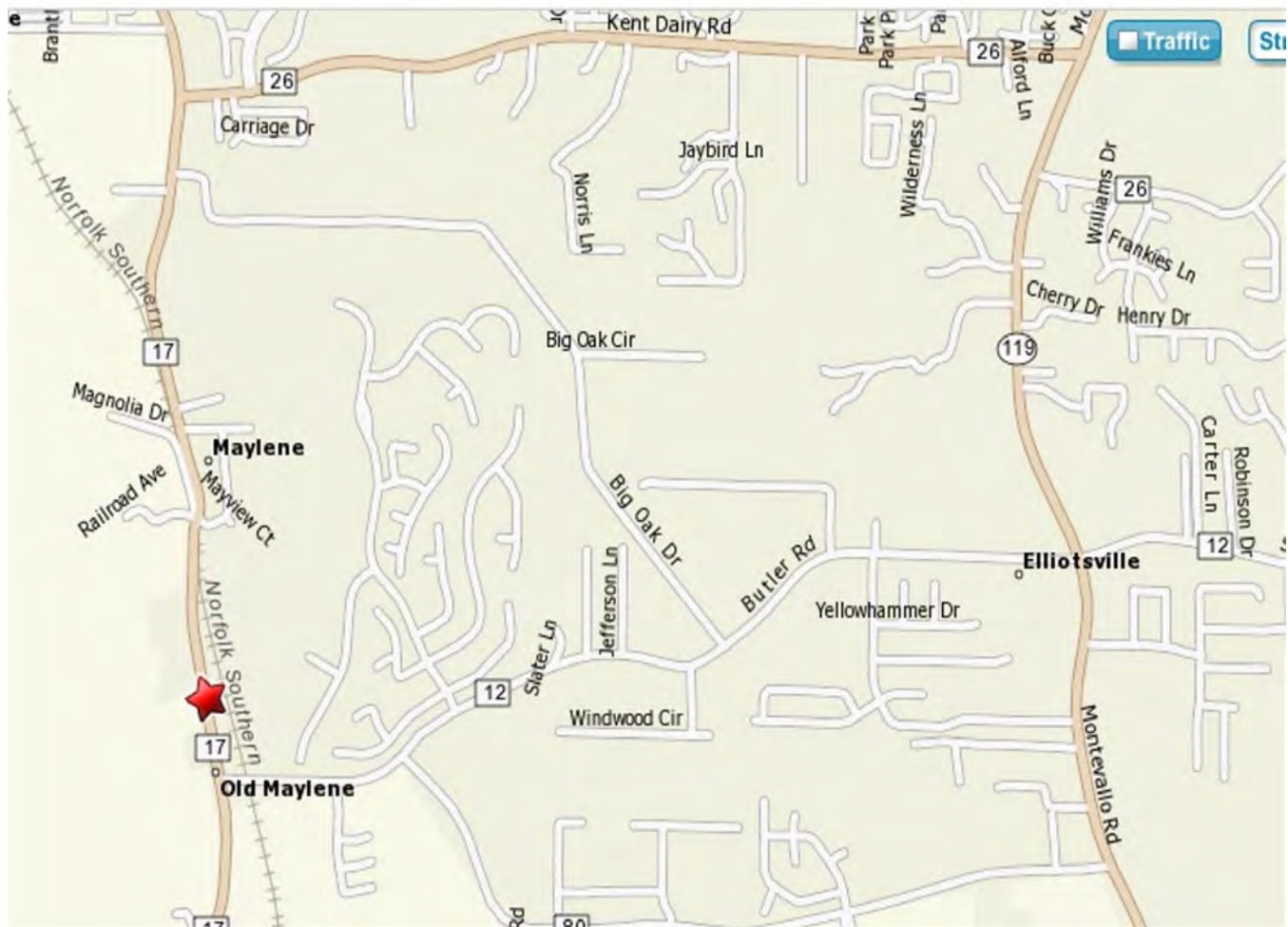
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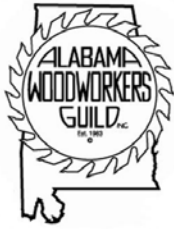
**SIGN UP  
EARLY!**



## Directions to the Woodworkers Education Center (WEC)



**From I65**, take Exit 238 (Highway 31). Turn north on State Highway 31, go 0.6 miles and turn left on State Highway 119 South. Go 3.0 miles south on Highway 119 and turn right on County Highway 12. Go 2.1 miles on Highway 12 until it ends at County Highway 17. Turn right on Highway 17 and the WEC is 0.3 miles on your left. There is a large WEC sign at the entrance



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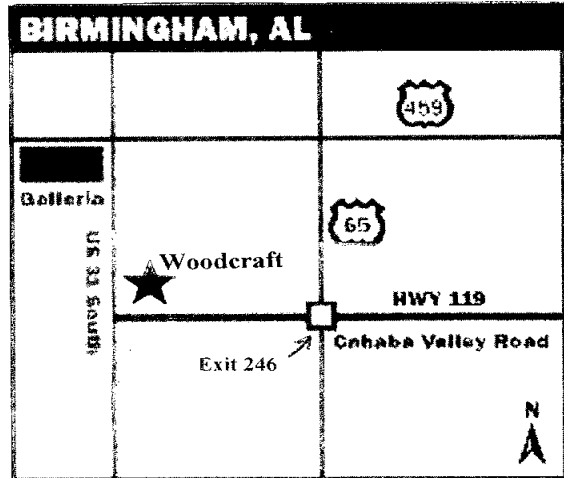
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