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Alabama Woodworkers Guild

Guild News



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Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is October 18th

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President's Message

Greetings Woodworkers, At the September meeting the new General Manager of Hardwoods of Alabama, Tim Whitener, discussed the future plans for their company. While a retail center isn't on the top of their todo list, it is part of their long range planning. He did say that they want to find more ways to work together with the guild and it's members. Guild members can purchase a minimum \$300 order by calling in the board foot quantity and the species. They will get it together and have it ready the next day, the only stipulation is that the individual orders be at full retail price. He also discussed the possibility of having an open house on a Saturday sometime in the first quarter of next year where guild members would have access to the bundles of lumber.

In the meantime, Tim has agreed to sell lumber to the guild at a reduced price for us to resell to our members. We are buying 50 board feet of walnut and 100 board feet of cherry. This will be available at the next meeting.

We appreciate the discount on the material for the Habitat for Humanity cabinet build and are looking forward to working with them in the future.

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Scholarship Program

We'd like to take this opportunity to remind our membership of the Guild **Scholarship Program**. For members who qualify, the Guild will pay 50% of the cost of any course related to improving one's woodworking skills, up to \$200. For more information, see the Scholarship page on the Guild website at

http://www.alabamawoodworkersguild.org/scholarship.htm



New Members

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

Steve Key, Larry Dye, Frank Higgins

WELCOME!

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The most current WEC calendar is always available on-line at: http://freecal.brownbearsw.com/awg

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Sept 2014 Program: Turning Small Objects

The September 2014 program had three of our finest showing the members how to turn small objects.

Cliff Daniels showed how to turn a Christmas tree ornament with a finial on top and an icicle underneath; and apply a super finish.

Dwight Hostetter showed how to turn an ornament with very delicate turnings.

Pat Bush showed how to turn a pen blank and assemble the pen.

This was a great opportunity to see some of our skilled craftsmen in action. The fun thing about turning is that you can see a project from start to finish in a relatively short period of time. Hopefully the members were able to pick up tips and maybe get motivated to turn some things for themselves. Turned objects make great gifts. Family and friends always treasure items that craftsmen make for them. The added bonus for the program was the objects turned in the demonstration made excellent door prizes.

Ed

Oct 2014 Program: Art Schneider - Toy Maker

Art Schneider will give the program for the October 2014 meeting. Art moved to Alabama from New Hampshire a little over four years ago. Art is a toy builder. He builds wooden trucks and cars as well as more complex toys such as helicopters and other toys with many moving parts. Art sells some toys at craft fairs but most of his toys go to children of need around the Christmas Season through



a friend back in New Hampshire. Art will share his building techniques and show us some of the toys and toy building jigs. A very fitting program for the Fall. Maybe Art can give us some ideas that we can use in our shops. There might be a special child in your life that would like for "Santa" to make him or her a special toy.

Ed

Mentoring

NOTE: You must be a member of the Guild to be eligible to participate mentoring classes.

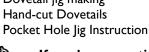
Are you an intermediate or beginner woodworker with an itch to raise your woodworking skills a notch or two? Do you have a special project in mind, but are just a bit uneasy about getting underway? Looking for tips to save time and effort, plus get better results?

Here's what you need to do: join a Guild mentored group now. It's the way to go for all of the above with others at your skill level, and best of all, at no cost except for materials.

Refer to Shop Schedule for schedule of mentoring sessions

Some examples of topics offered:

Bench Making
Table Saw instruction
Lathe Fundamentals
Pen Turning
Hand Tools - sharpening and techniques
Furniture Building - Chairs, Table tops, Tables
Instruction in - Router table use
Instruction in - Jointer, Planer use
Dovetail jig making







If you have questions on woodworking technique, tool usage, or buying equipment or tools, feel free to contact a Guild mentor.

Jim Woodward Guitars
Ed Bullock Bows
Thom Nix Chairs

John Lawson Furniture repair, band saw, track saw

Mike Key Dovetail jig

Eddie Heerten Lathe, furniture, table saw, hand-cut dovetails,

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Dwight Hostetter Lathe, segmented turning, baskets

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Lynn Smith Toys

Pat Bush Jointer, planer

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Preston Lawley Cutting Boards Jeff Hood Scroll Saw

Contact the above by email or phone as listed in the Membership Directory or email Ron Griffin at: sawandsplinters@gmail.com



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Beginning Boards



Sometimes it's the little victories in life that mean the most. I've been trying to get the spur out of my lathe for two months now so that I could turn something. I started asking for help and I finally received some advice.

Today I removed the spur and I was able to mount a piece of basswood that I bought at the St. Pete Wood Guild four months ago. I think that Dale Neff donated the wood to the guild. I bought a faceplate for the lathe two months ago and mounted a nice piece of basswood on the faceplate two months ago. Every time I have been in the garage I have longed to get the spur out of my lathe so I could do something with the faceplate and the block of wood mounted to it.

Today, I made a nice pile of wood shavings and saw dust and finally turned the wood. The picture is of the end result. it's four inches tall and three inches wide. I have sanded it to 120 grit and it already has 10 coats of sanding sealer on it. I know that common basswood is very soft and very porous so I want it well sealed before I wipe on the polyure-thane and make it SHINE.

Life's little victories are sweet.

Steve, BTRC

FREE!

Free to someone interested in restoring/rebuilding- $6" \times 36"$ jointer, old with no stand or motor. If interested contact Walter Barnett 205-317-8529 or wbarnett@jrprewitt.com for more information.

Thanks, Walter

Photos from the Habitat for Humanity Cabinet Class













Photos by Patrick Murphy

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The Tuesday Toy Elves



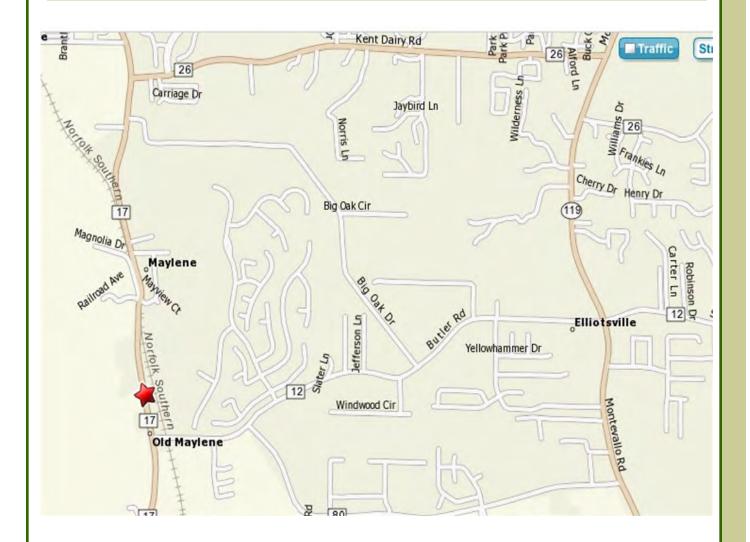






Photos by Patrick Murphy

Directions to the Woodworkers Education Center (WEC)



From 1-65, take Exit 238 (Highway 31). Turn north on U.S. 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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About Us

Alabama Woodworkers Guild Newsletter is published monthly for its members and other interested parties. Guild meetings are held monthly on the third Saturday at 9:00 a.m. at the Woodworking Education Center, 10544 Hwy 17, Maylene, AL 35114

Information concerning the Guild may be secured by calling Walter Barnett, Treasurer at (205) 933-9207.



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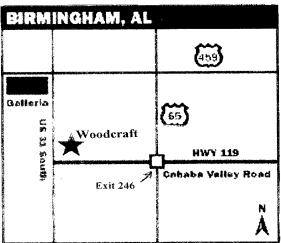
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Turn right on US 31 and travel north approx. 0.3 mi.

Our store is on the right (east) side of US 31.

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