

# Guild News

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*Next Meeting*  
*Thursday,*  
*September 16, 2004*  
*gather at 6:00 PM*  
*meeting starts promptly*  
*at 6:30 PM*

*Don't forget your Show and Tell items*

*Wheels for Toys Available at Meeting*

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## President's Message

Greetings! What a great turnout we had for our August meeting. The unofficial count was 85! Additionally, we had 5 guests and picked up several new members. We welcome them to our group and look forward to getting to know them.

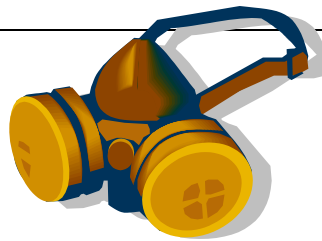
There are lots of exciting new things coming as we go into 2005, one of which is official non-profit status which will allow us to apply for grants and allow tax deductions for business that make donations.

Another is that we will (hopefully) be offering a **workbench class** starting early next year. Our scholarship program is just getting started and has been well received. Next year we also hope to offer another workshop taught by a professional.

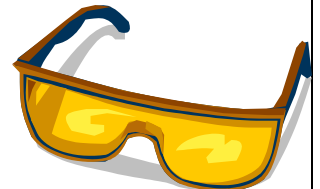
However, before we get to '05 we still have a lot of activities scheduled for this year: **Our show will be the last week in October**; our **Toys Program for the Children's hospital will be in November** (bring your toys); and lastly, our **Christmas party will be December 7th** at the Homewood Senior Center. With your participation, these activities will be a lot of fun and very successful!

Paul

## SAFETY



For our September program we will be talking safety.



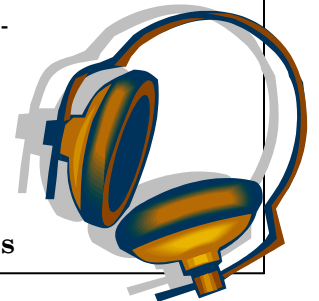
**The potential for injury in woodworking activities is**

**unlimited and the purpose of this presentation is to raise the awareness level of our members** and to provide some cautions that we all should follow.

We are fortunate to have in our membership three individuals who are highly qualified to speak on this subject, **Dr. Hal Skalka, Mr. Mike Key, and Dr. Chuck Solomon.**

Please come prepared to learn things that just may extend the years you have to enjoy woodworking.

Bill Shivers



## TOUR THE SHIVERS' SHOP

On Saturday, September 18th we have another in our series of shop visits. **Bill Shivers** has invited us to tour his home shop in Cropwell between 9:00 AM and 12:00PM.

This year we have visited the newly built shop of **Charlie Ard**, the converted basement shop of **Buzz** and **Nelda Kelly**, and the professional shop of **Shane Carter**. There's always something you can learn from seeing the way that others organize their shops.

The drive out to the country to visit **Bill's** shop will surely be worth the trip.

### Directions to the Shivers' Home

**Coming by US Hwy280**—take US 280 to Harpersville. At the intersection of US 280 and US 231 (there's a light here) take a left.

Take US 231 through Vincent and on towards Pell City for about 12 miles.

About 1/2 mile past mile marker 212 turn right onto Rabbit Branch Road. (Richey's Grocery will be on your right and Fat Man's Bar-B-Q will be across US231 from the store.)

**\*\***

Follow the double yellow lines (Rabbit Branch Road) for 2.9 miles to the top of the last hill and turn left onto Cherokee Road.

When the paved part of Cherokee Road ends, continue down the gravel road. Bear right at the fork and follow the gravel road to the Shivers' front door. They are the gray house with the red front door.

**Coming by I-20** take I-20 east towards Atlanta.

Take Exit 158 (Pell City/Ashville) and turn right when you exit.

You will be on US 231 South.

Take US231 through Pell City. Go about 8 miles until you are about 1/2 mile past mile marker 213.

Turn left onto Rabbit Branch Road. Now, follow the directions above **\*\*** to the Shivers' home.

If you have any trouble, call 205-525-4601 and they'll come and get you!!

## SHOW AND TELL AUGUST 2004



GENTLEMEN (AND LADIES),



START YOUR SCROLLSAWS, BANDSAWS, TABLE SAWS, AND SANDERS! ASSEMBLE THOSE CARS, TRUCKS, PUZZLES AND CUTOUTS. TIME'S A WASTIN'!

THE FINISH LINE IS APPROACHING—SOON THE CHECKERED FLAG WILL WAVE. YOU KNOW WHAT'S IN STORE, 2004 TOYS PLUS A HUNDRED MORE.

GET THE PEDAL TO THE METAL, CHIPS AND SAWDUST ON THE FLOOR.

KIDS ARE WAITING FOR THE THRILL THAT IS CAUSED BY TOYS FROM THE GUILD.

**BUDDY FINCH**

## Do You Mind?

We have recently had requests for copies of our mailing list. *After being promised that the list would not be sold or shared with anyone else*, your board thought that you would want us to share your addresses with those particular folks.

Ron Peyton, who gave our presentation at the last meeting, would like to send each of you information about the Dogwood Institute. Then the good folks at Klingspor sent us a letter about becoming a Guild supporter. They would like us to become one of the several guilds in the south east that they offer a 10% discount along with catalogs on sanding products they sell.

We would like your input. Since we think that most of you will want the info and the discount, *we are asking that anyone who does not want their address shared to let us know.*

We are going to have a list at the September meeting that you can sign to opt out or you can contact Bill Shivers at (205)525-4601.

## Stuff

Your board has recently purchased a new supply of toy wheels and packaged them up for sale to our toy makers. We get a better price by buying in bulk and we sell them to you at our price. **Buddy Finch** is keeping up with our wheel supply these days.

Thanks to those of you that made a contribution to our comfort bucket last month. About half of you chipped in as you came through the door to cover our comfortable meeting place. We appreciate your contributions.

We gave a check to our speaker last month to cover his traveling expenses for coming over from Atlanta to speak to us. Ron Peyton then turned around and contributed that money back into the toy fund. Thanks Ron!

Our nominating committee is beginning to search for officers for the 2005 slate. We will nominate officers in October with elections in November. **Mike Key** and **Chuck Solomon** are our nominating committee members.

Christmas is coming! We need door prizes to give away at the party. Have you gotten any?

## Meeting Directions:

**Homewood Senior Center**  
816 Oak Grove Road  
Homewood, AL

**To Homewood Senior Center:**

*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

*From I65 North*, take the Oxmoor Road exit. Turn left. Go under interstate (3 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

## About Us

Alabama Woodworkers Guild Newsletter is published monthly for its members and other interested parties. Guild meetings are held monthly on the third Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at the Homewood Senior Center, 816 Oak Grove Road, Homewood, AL.

Information concerning the Guild may be secured by calling **James Armstrong, Treasurer** at **205-681-8165**.

Our Webmaster is **Bob Browning**. See our website at: [www.alabamawoodworkersguild.org](http://www.alabamawoodworkersguild.org)

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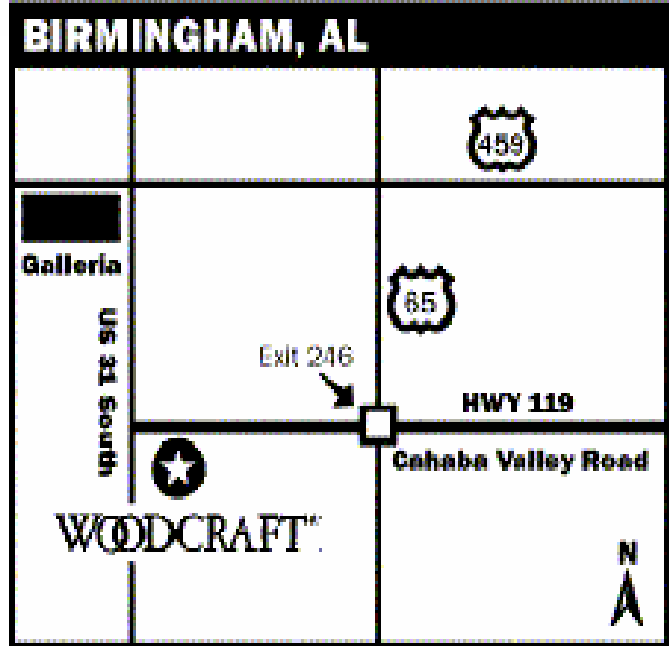
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M - T - W - F: 9AM - 7PM

Th: 9AM-9PM

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Sun: Noon-5 PM



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