

Guild News

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Next Meeting
Thursday,
November 18, 2004
gather at 6:00 PM
meeting starts promptly
at 6:30 PM

Don't forget your
TOYS

Wheels for Toys
Available at Meeting

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President's Message

Dear Fellow Woodworkers,

What a great show! Thanks to all of you who participated by entering your work, helping during the week, and just coming out to support the show. A very special thank you to our Show Chairman, **Walter Barnett**, for a job well done. We had about 90 pieces and over 30 participants. It was also encouraging to see so many new members entering high quality work. My suggestion is for everyone to get started right now on next year's show project. One of the things I would like to see is more woodcarvings entered but more on that later.

Our emphasis now needs to turn from the show to meeting our toys goal. Our next meeting will be November 18th and you will need to bring your toys at that time. So get busy! These toys are used during the holidays and throughout the year and are a real contribution to the Child Life Program at Children's Hospital.

We will also be accepting and distributing toys at the Christmas party on **Tuesday**, December 7th at the Homewood Senior Center.

Finally, this will be the last newsletter of the year so I want to thank everyone for all that you have done this year and I look forward to a great '05. Do good work and be safe!

Paul

Toy Time November 18th!!

It's time! Bring your spouse, bring a friend, lets show them all how busy we have been. This is one of our most fun meetings all year. In November we all come in carrying boxes of toys for boys and girls.

Whether each is a one of kind work of art or one of many made assembly line fashion by you and your friends, there are children out there who are going to love toys made just for them. Just in case we're all to excited to ask when you arrive, be sure to bring in something telling us who you are and how many toys you built. Our own Toy Chairman, **Buddy Finch**, will be assisted by his two able bodied assistants, **Lee and Jeanie Beadles** in making the count. Please make sure that you check in with one of them so that your toys can be counted.

Buddy has his heart set on two thousand toys and a hundred more. So if you haven't built any yet remember that it only takes a little while to make a cut out and just a tad more to make that cutout into a puzzle. If you can make cut outs, you can cut out cars and put wheels on them. But if making toys is not your thing, the larger children love to paint boxes for keeping stuff ...and bird houses...or stools. Come on and bring something!

GREAT SHOW!!!

By Walter Barnett

Ladies and Gentlemen, you have answered the challenge with a display of work to make us all proud. We had 90 outstanding items entered by 32 participants, including 2 participants from West Alabama Woodworkers Association. A special thanks to **Dale Lewis** for undertaking the difficult task of judging the entries. The judging sheets with his comments will be available at the next Guild meeting.

We had a number of first time participants, many of whom will take home ribbons for their work. As gratifying as it was to see the work from the new participants, it was disappointing to not see work from Guild members who have been regular participants in past shows. *Start now to be ready for next year.*

Thanks to **Marcia Mancill, Debbie Browning, Nelda Kelly** and others who were responsible for the outstanding job with the reception Monday night. Those who were unable to attend missed a treat. Thanks also to **Marcia Mancill** and **Cliff Daniels** for their help with the registration at the show, in addition to all the participants and members present who are always willing to lend a helping hand with the moving and arranging of the items in the show and to **Charlie Ard** and **Mike Key** for delivering the display cases.

Most of all, thanks to those who participated in the show and shared their work with all who were able to attend the show. If you ever doubt that the Guild is making progress, you only have to compare the quality of workmanship from year to year. Not only do we have fun, but also we are learning and improving from our association with the Guild and interaction with other Guild members.

The Best of Show will be awarded at the November Meeting. Join us to congratulate the big winner.

And The Winners Are:

Catagoy/Skill Level	First Place	Second Place	Third Place
Traditional Furn-Masters	Ed Sheriff	Dan Browning	Paul Mancill
Traditional Furn-Advanced	John Lawson	Cliff Daniels	Dwight Hosteller
Traditional Furn-Intermediate	Buzz & Nelda Kelly	Ben Neighbors	Cifford Saxon
Traditional Furn-Beginners	Bill Host	Bill Host	David Larussa
Contemporary Furn-Masters	No Entry	No Entry	No Entry
Contemporary Furn-Advanced	Norman Ellis	Ed Allen	Mike Key
Contemporary Furn-Intermediate	Shane Carter	Shane Carter	Glen Phillips
Contemporary Furn-Beginners	Ronald Dunn	No Entry	No Entry
Wood Turning-Masters	No Entry	No Entry	No Entry
Wood Turning-Advanced	Cliff Daniels	Mike Key	Ed Bullock
Wood Turning-Intermediate	Clifford Saxon	Paul Mancill	Leonard Sanders
Wood Turning-Beginners	No Entry	No Entry	No Entry
Small Objects-Masters	Cliff Daniels	No Entry	No Entry
Small Objects-Advanced	Jeff Hood	John Lawson	Dwight Hosteller
Small Objects-Intermediate	Buzz & Nelda Kelly	Don Blackburn	Don Blackburn
Small Objects-Beginners	No Entry	No Entry	No Entry
Wood Carvings	Paul Mancill	No Entry	No Entry
Shop Tools/Jigs	Ed Bullock	Clifford Saxon	Charlie Ard
Toys	Dwight Hosteller	Cliff Daniels	Ronald Dunn

We'll have pictures to share at the November meeting of all the ribbon winners. Join us, bring some toys, and collect a copy of the picture. There will be a copy of the ribbon winners and all participants posted to our internet site after the meeting (see www.alabamawoodworkersguild.org).

**Alabama Woodworkers Guild Christmas Party
Tuesday, December 7th, 2004 at 6:00 PM**

I hope you guys have gone out and gathered up lots of door prizes. If not, why not make one? This will be our traditional Christmas Party with a couple of changes. First note that the date is a TUESDAY and the place is THE HOMEWOOD SENIOR CENTER.

As usual, the Guild will furnish the meat, bread, and drinks. You bring a side dish and/or dessert. (Please also bring a serving spoon for your dish as well.) We're great saw dust makers but there are also some fabulous cooks in the group (or at least some folks married to fabulous cooks). We're hoping to have a sing along with Christmas carols like we did in years gone by. (Do you think we can get Leonard to sing but leave his fish joke at home?) It'll be great fun for us all to be together with our spouses and friends. Then there will be all those door prizes.

Of course, if you don't like to eat and you don't like to win stuff and you can't sing and you're tired of hearing about woodworking maybe this isn't the place for you....but the rest of us are planning on having a wonderful evening!

Archiving our History

It has come to the attention of the Board, that there are a number of awards, letters of recognition and the like that have been given to the Alabama Woodworkers Guild over the past 20 years. Various members have been taking care of them until we had permanent place for them.

Cliff Daniels has agreed to pull them all together to form some sort of display that we could have available for our members to view. If you have any of this type thing in your safe keeping please contact **Cliff** or any Board member so that we can build our archive.

2005 Membership Dues

As always, membership dues are due at the January meeting. The Board has voted to raise the dues to \$35 in 2005. You will hear more about this at the November meeting. At \$35 membership is still a terrific deal. Where else could you hang out with such talented folks for such a small cost? Then there's the terrific monthly Guild News that's priceless!

2005 Officer Nominations

Our nominating committee has been hard at work and has come up with the following slate of officers for 2005: President, **Paul Mancill**
Vice President, **Bill Shivers**
Treasurer, **James Armstrong**.
New directors: **Jeff Bishop**
Nelson Brooks
Shane Carter
Bill Host

Directors with unexpired terms are **Cliff Daniels**, **Chuck Solomon**, and **Bill Thomas**. Appointed positions are Webmaster for life **Bob Browning** and Guild News Editor, **Nelda Kelly**

**FRIDAYS AT WOODCRAFT GROUP
CONTINUES TO MEET**

The Fridays at Woodcraft Group continues to meet and build toys through the rest of the year. **Buddy Finch** and **Lee Beadles** will continue to lead the group. Can't get enough woodworking? Come hang out with **Buddy**, **Lee**, and the gang. They get together every Friday afternoon at Woodcraft. Bring your lunch about noon and stay for the session.

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

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

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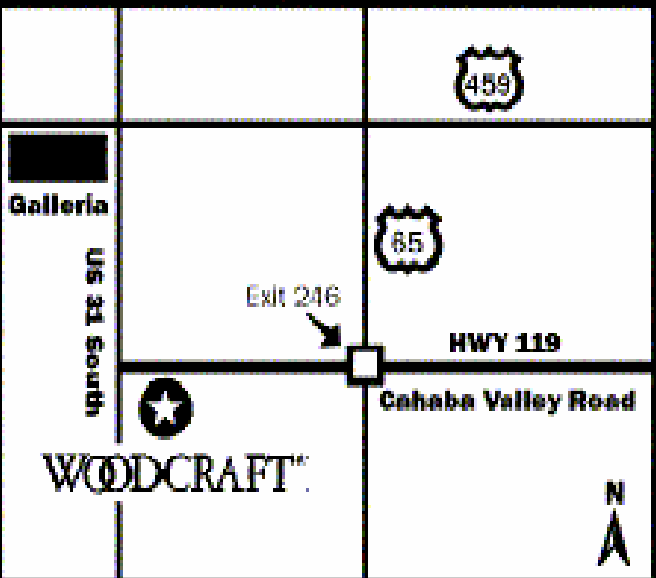
M - T - W - F: 9AM - 7PM

Th: 9AM-9PM

Sat: 9AM-6PM

Sun: Noon-5 PM

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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.

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