

Guild News

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**SHOW TIME!!! Our annual juried show begins on
October 21st at the Hoover Public Library**

(see page 3 for details)!

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*Next Meeting
October 19th, 2006
Pre-meeting Program
5:30 PM
Meeting 6:30 PM*

*Don't forget your
Show and Tell!*

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President's Message

I want to start by saying thanks to **Cliff Daniels** for conceiving the idea of having our September meeting at the Boy's Ranch. What a great idea! We had only a few less attendees than our regular turnout, in spite of the distance. Meeting and eating with the boys was neat, the meal was delicious, the tour was informative and the presentation by Mama Thompson could not have been better. (see pictures on page 3) Anita and Jim Thompson have truly lived a calling. It was an evening that made you stop and think about how we use our lives and how we share our resources. How fortunate we are that we can help others!

Set-up for the Show is Saturday, October 21st! This is the biggest event of the year for the Guild. **Walter Barnett** works hard to make it better each year. With you doing your part, this is going to be our best Annual Show ever!

There will be a reception and recognition of show winners on Tuesday evening, October 24th from 6:00 to 8:00 P.M. at the Hoover Library. I hope you have mailed your invitations or given a personal invitation to your friends and others whom you would like to see the show and learn more about the Alabama Woodworkers Guild. As in the past, we will need to staff the show throughout the week. We will ask for volunteers at our meeting on the 19th or you can call **Walter Barnett** to sign up.

By the time you read this we will have had our second toys workshop. This one is at **Buzz** and **Nelda's** shop on October 7th. They plan to make more toys than were made at the last – that means more than 200!!!

*Our third and final toy workshop for 2006 is to be at **Dan's** on November 4th.
Make Charlie have to cook a lot of breakfasts!*

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Pre-meeting demo for October presented by **Mike Key**
....demonstrating the art of pen turning on the lathe.

Program for October

The program for the month of October will be done by the multi-talented **Charlie Ard**. **Charlie** has built several boats in his day and will tell us how a master craftsman does it. **Charlie** has pictures to take us through the complete process. **Charlie** has promised that later, after he has finished the boat he is presently working on, he will bring it to one of our meetings to show it off.

Last toy workshop of 2006 at Dan Browning's shop on November 4th!!! (see map and article page 2)

In accordance with our by-laws the nominating committee is to make recommendations for officers and Board members for the next year at our October meeting. **Mike Key** is the chairman of that committee. In addition to the committee's recommendations, you may make nominations from the floor. At the November meeting we will vote for the officers and board members.

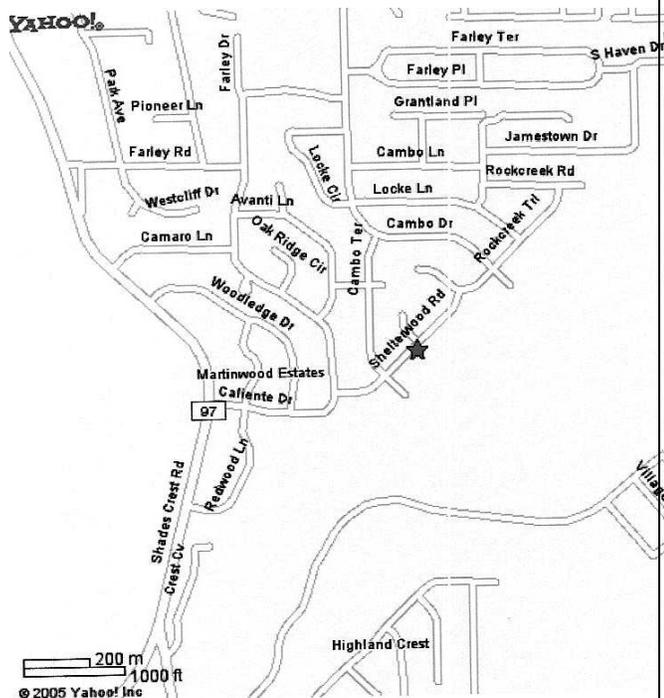
Brian Stauss has set-up a system such that he can send blanket e-mails to all our online members. He recently sent an e-mail concerning a tool sale – who received it? Add kybgs@bellsouth.net (**Brian**) to your address book and your spam filter shouldn't block them. There were some that came back for whatever reason (**Tommy Edge, Pete Jenson, Robert Sherrill, Lionel Lawson, Paul Noah, Roy Bates, Murray Lee, Ann Armstrong, Ken Oglesby**). If you did not get it please see **Brian** or **Nelda** to make sure we have your latest e-mail address.

Through the generosity of **Walter Barnett** and **Brian Stauss** we have obtained all the computers needed at the Boy's Ranch at this time. If you have more computers that are in working condition that you wish to donate, the local Ranch will make sure they get to the other ranches across the state in need of computers.

Work Safely!

Bill

Map to Dan Browning's Show 2229 Shelterwood Road



November Toy Workshop

We're going back to **Dan Browning's** shop in November to make toys. This is your last chance in 2006 to get together with some of the best toy makers ever and learn from their examples. We are far behind the 4,000 toys we made in 2005 and need everyone to join in to help out.

We hear all the time that some folks don't have shops or don't know how to get started or any number of excuses. This is one of those NO EXCUSES days. **Dan** is making it easy to overcome all those obstacles and have fun doing it. Everything you need is already provided, all you need to do is show up and invest a little sweat equity. If you haven't made any toys this year, this workshop is specially for you! No excuses, be there!

Dan lives at 2229 Shelterwood Road in Hoover.

To get there take the Hwy 150 exit off I-459. Travel towards Bessemer on Hwy 150.

Turn right on Shades Crest Road.

Turn right on Caliente Drive.

Turn right on Shelterwood Road.

Dan's house will be on your right.

Dan Browning 205-979-3799

Santa Claus is coming to town and our Christmas Party is just around the corner....start gathering those door prizes

Items for Sale

Wood rasps \$26.00. The Guild purchased some Nicholson rasps #49 and #50 at a terrific price. We still have two or three left. Contact Walter Barnett 426-9083

Powermatic Artisan (contractors) table saw with Vega fence. Good condition \$300.
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Craftsman 6" jointer condition new. \$350.

Bob Minor (205) 835-9499

20% of proceeds on Mr. Minor's items to Guild Bldg Fund.

60bf of Beech lumber (really good looking wood, bought to build a work bench) make us an offer.

Contact **Charlie Ard** (205) 266-3686

IT'S OCTOBER!

So it must be time for goblins and woodworkers to show off their stuff. The goblins will have to work out their own schedule but for all you woodworkers the fun will start at 10 A.M. Saturday October 21st at the Hoover library.

With the quantity and quality of items that have been displayed during the Show and Tell portions of our meetings and the outstanding seminars and classes we have had this year, there should be no shortage of items for the show. For those who have participated in previous shows, you know how easy and enjoyable it is. For those who have not previously participated in a show, be a first-timer, you will have more fun than you can imagine.

Show set up time is a fun time shared by everyone there, lots of opportunity to get a good look at other members work, privately critique the items at your leisure, swap "war stories" about your projects and share the pride in the quality of workmanship presented in the show.

Show entries in the categories of Traditional Furniture, Contemporary Furniture, Wood Turnings and Small Objects will be judged based on skill levels of Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced and Master. Show entries in the categories of Wood Carving, Shop Tools/Jigs, Toys and Restoration/Refinishing will be judged as open categories. Entry forms and information will be available at the Library Saturday morning during show set-up. Items will be displayed until Sunday, October 29th, when item pick up begins at 2 PM when the Library opens. Loading and unloading is done on the lower level, which you reach by taking the second left after turning onto Municipal Drive from Highway 31.

Show hours are the same as Library hours:

<i>Monday-Thursday</i>	<i>9AM to 9PM</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>9AM to 6 PM</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>10 AM to 6 PM</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>2 PM to 6 PM</i>

Bring your work and participate... Remember, if you don't have a new item, enter an item you built earlier, or re-enter a previously entered item for display only...It's up to you...Let's have another great show!

September Meeting Photos

At special Boy's Ranch meeting in September, we were treated to a wonderful dinner, a delightful presentation, and a tour of the Mel Bailey house. We all agreed that it was well worth the drive!



The tables we made for Boy's Ranch in their new home at the Mel Bailey House.

Pictures from Kelly Toy Workshop

These guys (and one female) turned out 250 cars and boxes !!!!



BandSaw
Buddy Finch

Buzz Kelly

Box man
Dan Browning

The **Barron** of boxes
Bartlett

Da Pres, **Bill Shivers**

The Wheel, **Jim McKittrick**

Car Man,
Harold Phillips

Sanding man, **Bill Snipes**

2nd Shift
Cliff Daniels & Eddie Heerten

Smiley, **Paul LeSueur**

Mr. Glue Up
Troy Stroud

Sandman 2
Jack Grove

2006 Classes Continue

Our 2006 class schedule continues. **John Lawson** is in the middle of teaching another outstanding class. Listening to the class participants talking made me wish I were in this one. **Eddie Heerten, Bill Shivers, and Cliff Daniels** were all talking about their experiences with hand cutting dovetails after their October 7th class. Other class participants include **Troy Stroud, Paul LeSueur, Jim Lee, and Tom Surtees**.

Your education committee is in the process of making plans for 2007. Please let us know what you would like to see. We have heard at least one member who would like to take some classes but is unwilling to commit 6 or 8 Saturdays. He wants shorter classes. Only about 10 to 15% of our membership ever participates in our educational opportunities. Why is that?

Are you looking for shorter classes, different subjects, what skill level? Members of our education committee include **Bill Shivers, Jim Lee, Shane Carter, Nelda Kelly and Cliff Daniels**. Talk to us and let us know how we can serve you better.

Also, remember that we offer scholarships to non-Guild taught classes. **John Lawson** is the chairman of our scholarship committee. The board sets aside funds for education scholarships twice each year. On a first come, first served basis, paid up members with at least one year of membership, can apply for one half tuition reimbursement up to \$200 for a woodworking class taught by a recognized woodworking school or organization. See **John Lawson** for details or to apply.

We are also talking with some professional woodworkers to plan for seminars for 2007. Who would you like to see come out and do a demonstration for us in 2007? We got lots of positive feed back on Kelly Mahler this year. Do you want to bring him back? Who else? We are here to serve you so let us know what you think.

Guild Patrons

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Commercial Heating and Air, Charlie Ard

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Our thanks to local television station **ABC 33/40** and videographer, **Bill Castle**, for their support of the community activities of the Alabama Woodworkers Guild.

When you have the opportunity or the choice, support those that support us!

Fridays at Woodcraft

*Our "Over the Hill Gang" meets at noon on Fridays (11:30 for lunch) at WoodCraft on Hwy 119 in Pelham to eat lunch and do a little woodworking. Our leader is our Toy Chairman, **Buddy Finch**, so currently we are concentrating our efforts on making toys for the 2006 Toys Program. Please bring your lunch and join us!*

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). 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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