



Guild News

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We invite you all to come share a special 2008 evening with us on December 11th (details on reverse page) as we celebrate the holiday season of this, our 25th year!

Harold Hall reports that we received about \$350 in donations toward Christmas for our adopted kid from the Boys' Ranch.

Your generosity is most appreciated. Thanks for helping us play Santa!!!!



Membership Dues

We voted to raise membership dues from \$35 to \$50 at our November meeting.

*Annual membership dues are due in January each year. Our Treasurer, **Walter Barnett**, will take your annual dues at the Christmas Party, January meeting, or you can avoid the rush by sending your \$50 to the Alabama Woodworkers Guild, Inc., P.O. Box 26665, Birmingham, AL 35260*

2009 Seminar Schedule Taking Shape

Jim Caldwell, our Education Chairman, tells us that he has arranged for another seminar in the spring. It will be a one day router workshop.

Details upcoming in January.

Best of Show

Congratulations to **Pat Weissend** on being voted the "peoples' choice" for 2008 Best of Show. **Pat's** piece (a three piece set actually) was a game table and chairs entered in "beginners". Can't wait to see what he will make in advanced!

Pat, AWG member and a member of our "splinter group", comes all the way from Cullman to participate. Unfortunately **Pat** wasn't at the November meeting to pick up his award.

Email Rejects

Make sure to let **Brian Stauss** know when your email changes. We have a number of email addresses where email rejects including: **Jim Elder, Bill Wright, Lionel Lawson, Tommy Edge, Angela Spanos, Bob Browning, Pete Jensen, Hal McCormick, Ken Oglesby, and Robert Sherrill.**

2009 Officers elected in November are:

President:
Charlie Ard
Vice Pres:
A. R. Bray
Treasurer:
Walter Barnett
Secretary:
Monta King
Board of Directors:
Jim Caldwell
Eddie Heerten
John Lawson
Robert McClure
Troy Stroud
Tom Surtees
Michael Tomlin

TOYS!!!

We had a good number of toys turned in at our November meeting. Folks have until the Christmas Party on December 11th to turn in toys for the final count. **Buddy Finch** reports that, so far, we collected a little over 4,000 toys. Even though that's a terrific number, it is about 3,000 shy of last years total. Let's do what we can to bring the number up just a little more in December.

Cabinets for the Habitat December House

Habitat for Humanity was a little late getting plans to us for cabinets this year but **Charlie Ard** wouldn't let us think of not participating. Due to the lack of time, the board voted to purchase partially finished cabinets to put together and install.

There's an assembly work day on December 6th at **Charlie's** shop on 2nd Avenue South in Birmingham. Installation is scheduled for December 13th at the Habitat House. Contact **Charlie** if you want to help.



**ALABAMA WOODWORKERS GUILD, INC.
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY
DECEMBER 11TH**

**MEMBERS OF THE ALABAMA WOODWORKERS GUILD, INC.
AND THEIR GUESTS ARE INVITED TO
THE 2008 ANNUAL AWG CHRISTMAS PARTY.**

**NOTE THE DATE – THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11TH, 6:00 PM
AT THE HOMEWOOD SENIOR CENTER.**

THE GUILD WILL BE FURNISHING THE MEAT, DRINKS, BREAD AND PAPER ITEMS. BRING ALONG YOUR FAVORITE SIDE DISH AND/OR DESSERT. HOSTING OUR PARTY THIS YEAR ARE **JEFF** AND **TINA HOOD**. COME PREPARED TO JOIN IN ON ALL THE FUN.

BRING ALONG THOSE TOYS YOU DIDN'T HAVE FINISHED IN TIME FOR THE NOVEMBER MEETING. JOLLY OLD ELF, **BUDDY FINCH**, IS MAKING HIS LIST AND COUNTING ALL THE TOYS TWICE. HE'LL LET US KNOW THE FINAL COUNT AT THE CHRISTMAS PARTY.

DON'T FORGET DOOR PRIZES. BE SURE TO GET THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON WHO SHOULD RECEIVE THE "THANK YOU" LETTER FOR DOOR PRIZE DONATIONS THAT YOU HAVE SECURED. AND REMEMBER THAT THOSE HAND-MADE-BY-YOU ITEMS MAKE TERRIFIC DOOR PRIZES!

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 **Walter Barnett, Treasurer** at (205) 426-9083. Our Webmaster is **Brian Stauss**. See our website at: www.alabamawoodworkersguild.org Contact our **Guild News Editor** at nelbuz@msn.com.

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Seasons Greetings!

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