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President's Message

The demo at Woodcraft was very successful this year (*pictures page 2*). A number of members showed up, made some sawdust and there was a good crowd. I showed my new boat for the first time and it got a lot of compliments. These events are always fun and I encourage everybody to participate.

The sale at Avondale "Art in the Park" went even better than I had hoped. Even though it was a day late due to rain we had a good crowd and a large crew manning the booth (*pictures page 5*). We sold a lot of stuff and gained much experience in marketing. I hope we can see fit to do this show every year.

Because there is an abbreviated Guild News in December, this will be my last President's Message. I have enjoyed being your President and I thank you for the opportunity. I would also like to thank all the many people who worked to make everything happen. I will not call names because I would surely leave someone out, but you know who you are. Every time I asked for a volunteer I got one. It takes a lot of work to hold the many functions we do every year and you always came through. I know you will support the new president as well as you have supported me. I will refrain from giving advice in my swan song because I don't think any is necessary. I remind you that the strength and value of this organization is its people. The craft and art of fine woodworking is nice, but it's the many fine people that make the Guild worthwhile.

Thanks and farewell
C. Ard



Next Meeting
Saturday,
November 21st
Toy Day!
Lunch immediately After
Don't forget your
Toys!!!

Fred & Elsie Baker Memorial Toy Program Saturday, November 21st

We devote our November monthly meeting each year to the celebration of our Fred & Elsie Baker Memorial Toy Program. This year, as in years past, representatives from Children's Hospital will be there in person to pick up toys.

•Our goal is 100% participation

We ask our members to make and donate 10 toys each year. *If you haven't worked in a toy workshop or donated toys yet this year, please go down into your workshop and build at least one wooden toy.* It doesn't have to be anything elaborate, simple unfinished cut-outs are happily accepted. The children appreciate seasonal cut-outs all year long but particularly during the holidays. We do request that you sand the toys so that the children don't get splinters.

Can't do that or don't have time, then go by a craft shop and purchase an unfinished wooden toy to donate so that we can be 100% this year. We have 10 to 20 people who devote themselves to making hundreds of toys each year. Don't let them down by not doing your part. Don't accept any excuses from yourself. Do your part one way or another.

Buzz

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Welcome New Members

Van M. Jones
Christian Mazur
Amit Patki



Best of Show

Thanks to our new signs we had lots of votes for best-of-show this year and that's a good thing. *Congratulations to our winner, J.R. (Ralph) Hardwick.* His fabulous toy dozier with tractor/trailer won Best-of-Show and it certainly was a show stopper.

Buzz and Nelda Kelly's spice cabinet also received a lot of votes as did **Cliff Daniel's** pecan secretary. Thanks again to all who helped to make this another successful show.

Paul Mancill

2010 Officer Nominations

Nominees:

- President: **Monta King**
- Vice President: **Tom Surtees**
- Secretary: **Dan Langford**
- Treasurer: **Walter Barnett**
- BOD Member: **Bill Newman**

Returning BOD Members:

- Robert McClure**
- Troy Stroud**
- Michael Tomlin**
- Eddie Heerten**
- John Lawson**

Nominating Committee:

- Dan Browning** – Chairman
- Bill Shivers**
- Robert McClure**

DeWalt Visit

Dan Browning has been talking with his contacts at DeWalt and they are coming down to visit again. We show up and eat their pizza and play with their new products. They ask us lots of questions and give away door prizes. If that sounds like your idea of fun, *the event is on November 16th at 4:00 PM at John Lawson's Shop* on 24th Street between 6th and 7th Avenues South across from the Wachovia Bank. For additional information call **Dan** 249-9540



Old heavy 12" Parks thickness planer. 3 horse 220V motor. Runs quite well. (205) 706 6252 **Paul Mancill**

Craftsman 6-inch jointer (like new - used very little). Heavy cast iron body, table and adjustable fence. Mounted onto a mobile stand. 1/2 hp 115/230 V \$100.00 Call Noel at (205) 822-3001

Win a \$500 Gift Certificate From Hardwoods of Alabama

We have obtained a \$500 gift certificate from Hardwoods of Alabama. We are planning to give this gift certificate away to one lucky person. We will choose that person at random in a drawing from persons making a donation to the Guild of \$5 or more. Two more chances to participate. *Drawing to be held at the Christmas Party.*



Comfort Bucket

There's a bucket sitting on the sign in table at each of our meetings. *That bucket is there for you to put in a couple of bucks for the "comfort" of having a nice place to meet.* Be grateful!

AWG and Woodworking Center Calendar

November/December 2009

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
15	Nov 1:00pm - 5:00pm A. R. Bray	16	17	18	19	20	21
		Dewalt Reps at John Lawson's Shop 4:00 PM			11:00am - 3:00pm Thursday @WEC	9:00am - 1:00pm Ralph Hardwick 11:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys 1:00pm - 5:00pm Troy Stroud 5:00pm - 9:00pm Bob Moore	7:59am - 1:00pm ... meeting supervisor Monta King 9:30 - 10:00am Monthly pre-meeting (WEC) 10:00am - 11:30am Monthly Guild Meeting (WEC) 1:00pm - 5:00pm Bob Moore
22	1:00pm - 5:00pm Brian Stauss	23	24	25	26	27	28
					Closed for Thanksgiving	Closed for Thanksgiving	Closed for Thanksgiving
29	1:00pm - 5:00pm Cliff Daniels	30	1	Dec 2	3	4	5
				6:30pm - 7:30pm AWG Board Meeting (J R Prewitt & Associates, 2146 Highland Avenue South)	11:00am - 3:00pm Thursday @WEC	9:00am - 1:00pm Ron Powell 11:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys 1:00pm - 5:00pmDan Richardson 5:00- 9:00pm Eddie Heerten	9:00am - 1:00pm . Bill Shivers 1:00pm - 5:00pm . Bill Shivers
6	1:00pm - 5:00pm Ralph Hardwick	7	8	9	10	11	12
					11:00am - 3:00pm Thursday @WEC Christmas Party Homewood Senior Center 6:30 PM	9:00am - 1:00pm Ron Powell 11:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys 1:00pm - 5:00pm Troy Stroud 5:00pm - 9:00pm Mike Key	9:00am - 1:00pm, Mike Key 1:00 - 5:00p Brian Stauss
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The most current WEC calendar is always available on-line at: <http://freecal.brownbearsw.com/awg>

Woodworking Education Center

The "Thursday at the WEC" group began last week making mallets for a member. He, in turn, will sell them to real-estate agents. This is a money making project for us.

We will probably start on the Habitat cabinets very shortly since they have to be installed in December. We would like to have a lot of help when we start these. The plan is to do have the Thursday Group do the assembly. Please come to the WEC on Thursday to help.

There will probably be a report on the sale at Avondale elsewhere in this newsletter (*wrong, no one wrote an article though there are pictures on page 5, editor*) but there was a lot of work done by the Thursday group and several other members. Thanks to all of you that helped in that effort.

A request was submitted for a rasp and we now have two located in the drawer with the hand planes.

Cliff

Notes from the Editor

There is lots of stuff going on in the Guild, both at the WEC and otherwise. Since few articles have been submitted, I'll tell you what I know.

There is no news about the dulcimer classes currently underway which are being led by **Paul Owens**. I have heard rumors that there are a number of dulcimers under construction at the WEC but have no details to share.

Jim Caldwell, Education Chairman, told the Board of Directors he has arranged a **Turning Seminar by Phil Colson. Will schedule for February 27, 2010.** This will be a full day demonstration and lunch will be provided. Costs for seminar and lunch will be \$75.

Our membership dues become due in January each year and we are happy to take payment in advance if you would like to go ahead and write the check. Treasurer, **Walter Barnett** will your \$50 check at the November meeting.

We will be electing officers at our November meeting. For the slate chosen by the Nominating Committee see page 2.

We have a Christmas Party planned for December 10th (that's a Thursday) 6:30 PM at the Home-wood Senior Center. **Mike Key** will be our event chair. I was asked to

remind you that we like to give away door prizes each year. It is up to each of us to help provide those door prizes. Last year, though we gave away a large number of prizes, only a few people actually helped with the donations. Ask your company, a vendor you know, make something, or buy something to share.

We will have one more Guild News before Christmas and it will have directions and additional information about the event.

It will also be my last as your editor. I have been doing this for several years now, and have thoroughly enjoyed much of it. However, I am beginning to get a little burned out and think it would be good for the Guild to have a fresh perspective on the news of the organization.

Let me thank the folks who provide information each month. All articles are due two weeks prior to the monthly meeting.

The Guild President is responsible for submitting an article 11 months a year. The Vice President is responsible for programs and should provide an article about the program every month.

We have a Show Chairman who is responsible for communicating

all things related to the Annual Juried Show. The job also includes show arrangements (ribbons, judges, reception, set up, break down, lists or winners.)

We have a Librarian and an Education Chairman who are responsible for providing details about their areas. The Education Chairman schedules classes and handles our scholarship program. He provides information on classes, updates on them, makes the arrangements for all seminars from getting the presenter down to providing lunches.

The Toy Chairman is responsible for articles and keeping you guys motivated and making toys. He also arranges toy workshops and writes the articles about Toy Workshops and progress to date reports..

We have a Web Master as well. He is responsible for website updates, the WEC calendar, and sending out the electronic copies of the Guild News.

New member information is provided each month by our Treasurer. Our Shop Managers provide the WEC update each month.

Thanks to you guys for all the work you do!

Nelda

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Art in Avondale Park Pictures by Monta King From Sunday, November 1st Rain day for Event



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Turn **right** at **US31 N**,
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Turn **right** on **CR17**
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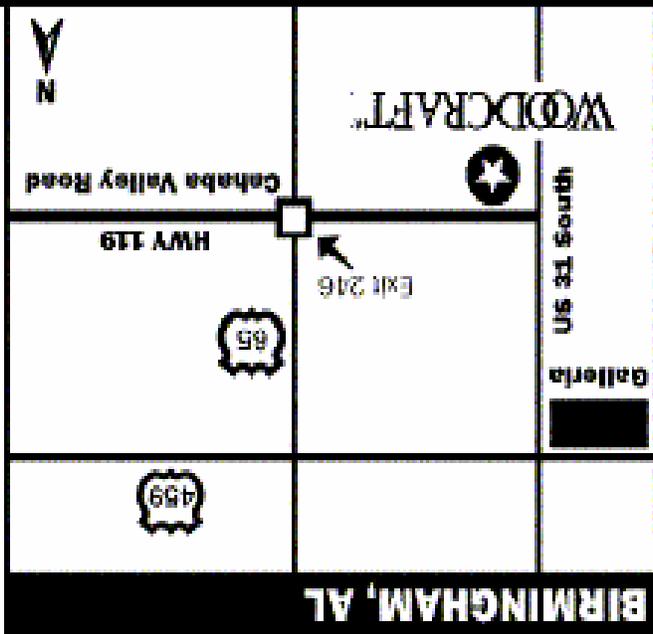


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