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Alabama Woodworkers Guild

Guild News



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Next Meeting

**The next
scheduled
meeting is
March 18**

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President's Message

I hope you can come to the meeting this month as I am going to discuss a topic that no one can remember ever being discussed at our General Meeting. I am going to spend 10 minutes and show you the Guild's annual expenditures and contributions. In other words, where we get our funding and how we spend the money to operate the Guild. You all have part ownership when you join and the Board and I believe it is very important that you understand how the Guild uses the monies received to further the Guild's mission of community service, teaching woodworking skills to others and future generations, and Guild fellowship.

Our featured speaker at the General Meeting will be Geoff Wyman! Geoff will speak to his passion for stringed instruments. He will discuss such topics as the basics of stringed instruments, how to build, creative options, and Dremel uses. It should be an exciting program!

Next month's meeting is our annual silent auction where members can sell and buy other members treasures. So do your spring cleaning and dust off your little used items and bring them to the April meeting to make some cool cash! Remember a 20% donation of your sale is appropriate.

I am so excited that our first "Fundamental Woodworking Class", which will teach the fundamentals and how to use most all tools and machinery to create a table, has 30 participants! We now have 50 new members since January. The membership is now at 260. Almost 15% of our total membership will be taking this class! This is amazing and meets our mission of teaching woodworking skills to others.

Hope to see you at the meeting as it is going to be fun!

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March Meeting Program: Geoff Wyman

Join us at 10am in welcoming local Artisan, Geoff Wyman, who will share with us how he has blended his two favorite passions: woodworking and music! Learn how from meager beginnings with the gift of an X-acto knife kit he began whittling everything in sight! He developed his techniques and began crafting various stringed instruments including Cigar Box Guitars and a favorite "Violete" (don't know what that is!!? Come to the meeting and find out!)

Geoff is also a blogger so check out his postings:

[Six String Art \(http://6stringart.blogspot.com/\)](http://6stringart.blogspot.com/)



March Pre-Meeting Mentoring: Cliff Daniels

March Mentoring Series Topic: Care and feeding of the Band Saw

March's Mentoring Series which starts at 9am will feature Cliff Daniels. Cliff will be presenting technical aspects as well as techniques and tips on Band Saws.

Don't be late and we'll see you at the Mentoring Series, Saturday, March 18th at 9am! (coffee and donuts and Comfort Bucket at 8:30)



WEC MARCH 2017 CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5 1p ■ No Supervisor 1p ■ Brian Stauss 205-335-7241	6	7 9 ■ Over the Hill Gang - Toys Shop CLOSE 9 ■ 9a-2p Shop Closed, Toy Group work onl	8 9 ■ 9a-4p Shop Closed: Frame and Panel C	9 4:30p ■ 4:30p - 8:00p Hand Tool Workshop	10 9 ■ No Supervisor 9 ■ 9a-1p Ron Powell Supervisor 1p ■ No Supervisor 1p ■ 1 pm - 5 pm, Ron Powell, Shop Supervisor 5p ■ No Supervisor 5p ■ 5p-9p Pat Bush Supervisor	11 9 ■ 9a-4p Frame and Panel Cabinet Build C 9 ■ No Supervisor 9 ■ 9a-1p Steve Stuffs Supv 835-2010 1p ■ No Supervisor 1p ■ 1p-5p Jeff Hood 205-567-7080
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WE NEED A FEW GOOD MEMBERS!

(Actually, we will take as many as we can get)

As our Guild is growing, our equipment is being used more and more and needs repairing more often. We have some very capable skilled members to repair them, but we need more! Many of you have equipment at home like we have in the shop and you know how to do repairs. We definitely need your help for only a few hours every few months.

We would like to create teams that can repair certain equipment such as a band saw team, a scroll saw team, a sander team, planer team, drill press team, etc.

It is a fun way to meet others with your skills and interests and you can help us as much as you wish.

So please consider this and if you are interested, you can contact Pat Bush at [205-552-9971](tel:205-552-9971).

Dues are Due!

Are You Ready for March 31st?

By midnight on Friday, March 1st, your 2017 Guild Membership will have had to be renewed or you will lose all Guild privileges including use of the WEC until such time that your membership is renewed by paying dues. This means your payment will have had to be received and noted by the Treasurer and your Name Tag will have to reflect your new 2017 Dues Paid Decal. The Shop Supervisors will continue to monitor and enforce the Guild Policy to wear your Name Tag with the appropriate 2017 Decal while in the WEC. It is strongly recommended Guild Members return their Name Tags to the wall as they sign out between meetings/project work to allow updating of membership status.

You can now pay your dues online! Just go to <http://wp.awwg.info/join/>. This is the preferred method of payment, as it is the simplest, least expensive, and quickest way to pay.

You can also mail a check to the Guild at:

Alabama Woodworkers Guild, Inc.
P.O. Box 36804
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Thank you for your continued Guild Membership and support!

Mentoring

NOTE: You must be a member of the Guild to be eligible to participate in mentoring classes.

Are you an intermediate or beginner woodworker with an itch to raise your woodworking skills a notch or two? Do you have a special project in mind, but are just a bit uneasy about getting underway? Looking for tips to save time and effort, plus get better results?

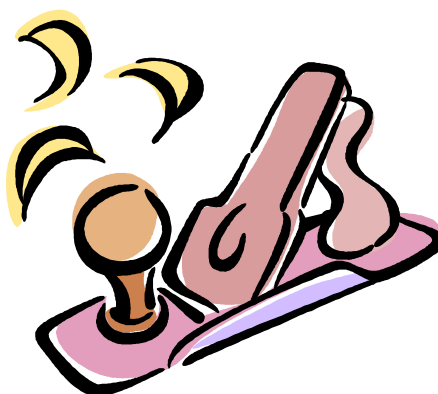
Here's what you need to do: join a Guild mentored group now. It's the way to go for all of the above with others at your skill level, and best of all, at no cost except for materials.

Refer to Shop Schedule for schedule of mentoring sessions

Some examples of topics offered:

Bench Making
Table Saw instruction
Lathe Fundamentals
Pen Turning
Hand Tools - sharpening and techniques
Furniture Building - Chairs, Table tops, Tables
Instruction in - Router table use
Instruction in - Jointer, Planer use
Dovetail jig making
Hand-cut Dovetails
Pocket Hole Jig Instruction

If you have questions on woodworking technique, tool usage, or buying equipment or tools, feel free to contact a Guild mentor.



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Cabinetry, CAD and Joinery
Project Photography
Scroll Saw



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Lawn Care Help Needed!

Want to have free Guild membership privileges for 2018?

Yes, you read that correctly!

The Guild is offering to waive your membership dues for 2018 if you are willing to help mow the grass 5 times in 2017.

We have the equipment, supply the gas and oil and hope to have a team of 3 members do it every cutting. It will only take a few hours to complete.

Once you complete your 5 cuttings, your 2018 Guild membership will be free and you can feel good about saving the Guild money by not using a lawn service and having fun by being a part of a team!

If you are interested, please contact Frank Higgins at:
Frank.higgins@alabamawoodworkersguild.org



IRA Charitable Rollover

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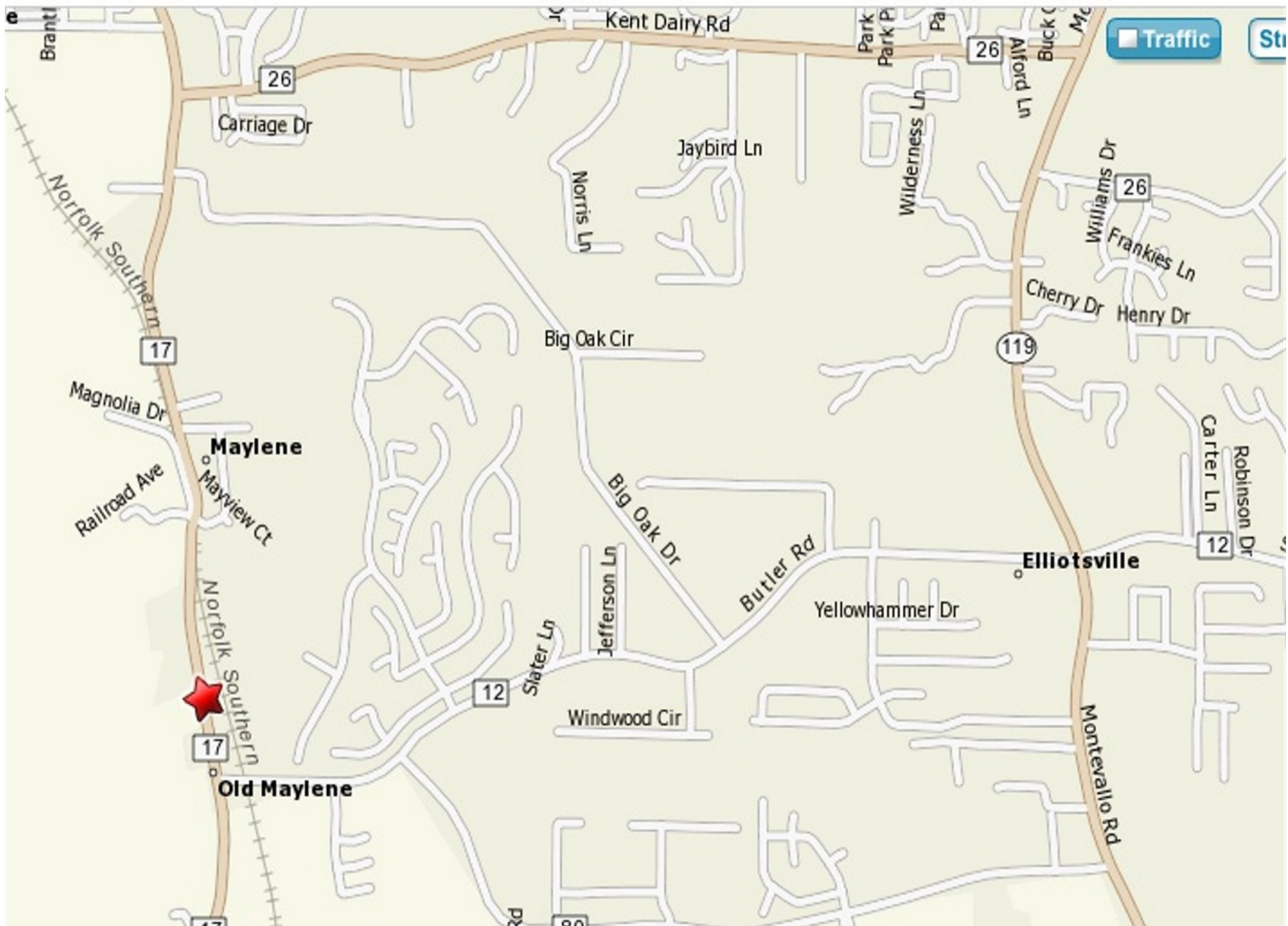
The Alabama Woodworkers Guild is a qualified charitable organization. The Guild qualifies for charitable gifts because we are an IRS sanctioned 501C3 nonprofit in good standing (current with all of our tax filings). This means that a cash contribution made to the Guild is fully tax deductible when the gift is non-transactional, meaning the individual receives no benefit from the gift.

Opportunities for Senior Guild Members are even more lucrative since they can save taxes with an IRA Charitable Rollover. A popular way to transfer your IRA assets to a charity like the Guild is via a tax provision* allowing IRA owners, who are 70½ or older, to direct up to \$100,000 per year of their IRA distributions to a qualified charity of their choice. The money given to the charity counts toward the donor's Required Minimum Distribution (RMD), but doesn't increase the donor's adjusted gross income (AGI) or generate a tax bill. The IRA Charitable Rollover must be distributed from your IRA directly to the Guild.

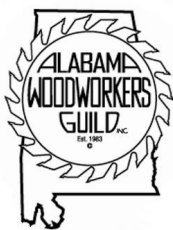
For more information on IRA Charitable Rollovers consult IRS Publication 590B page 13 or consult your tax advisors.

*Congress made IRA Charitable Rollovers permanent in 2015.

Directions to the Woodworkers Education Center (WEC)



From I-65, take Exit 238 (Highway 31). Turn north on U.S. Highway 31, go 0.6 miles and turn left on State Highway 119 South. Go 3.0 miles south on Highway 119 and turn right on County Highway 12. Go 2.1 miles on Highway 12 until it ends at County Highway 17. Turn right on Highway 17 and the WEC is 0.3 miles on your left. There is a large WEC sign at the entrance.



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About Us

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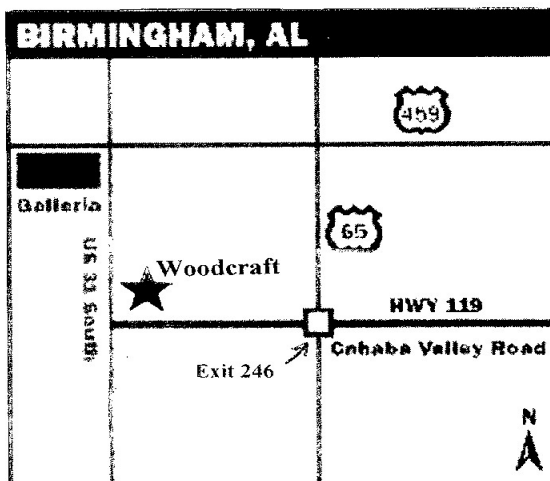
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