The Alabama Woodworkers



Guild News

March 2024

"Making saw dust with a purpose"

2024 Guild Officers and Directors

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"A man that works with his hands is a laborer. A man that works with his hands and his brain is a craftsman, but a man that works with his hands, his brain and his heart is an artist." - Louis Nizer

Jay Bagwell

President's Message

As you may recall, we've had a continuing discussion the last two months regarding the possibility of raising the membership fees next year (2025). Our By-Laws specifically state that "The annual dues required for membership will be determined by the Board and approved by vote of the active members". At our most recent meeting, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to increase the membership fees from \$100 to \$150. Of course, the decision is ultimately up to the Guild membership. I will go over the proposal (and reasons for why this is needed) at the meeting this Saturday. We are hoping to make the formal recommendation at the meeting as well, and anticipate a vote of the membership in April.

Please understand this was not a decision taken lightly, and we believe it will keep the Guild financially stable for many years to come. We are working hard behind the scenes to constantly improve the member experience and amenities for the Guild, and we appreciate your understanding. See you Saturday!

NOTICE

Spring Work Day—Thursday April 18th

Newsletter Editor: Linda Simcik

March Meeting

Saturday, March 16, 2024

8:15 am: CNC/Laser Group -meeting in class room

9:00-10:00 am: Meet and greet, mentorship time

10:00 am: General Meeting: The proposed membership fee increase will be an-

nounced.

Program: Henry Raymond will tell us about the activities in the CNC Special Interest Group







This is just WRONG...



On sooo many levels!

Coming in October

2024 AWG Annual Art Show

October seems like a long way off, but it's never to early to start planning. Here are copies this year's entry forms so you can begin to plan your projects. In addition to the regular entries this year we have the **SIG Challenge**. The forms will be available on the web site later this year. Other information will be announced as it becomes available.

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SIG CHALLENGE ENTRY FORM

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SIG Entry Form

2024 Class Schedule

Thursday Fundamentals Workshop

Every Thursday Evening 5:00pm-8:00pm Cost Free

Pen Turning Class with Cliff Daniels

Saturday, April 27th, 2024, 9:00am-4:00pm

Instructor - Cliff Daniels

Cost \$70.00

Class size is limited to 6 participants.

Beginning Intarsia Class with David Robinson

Saturday, May 4th, 2024, 9:00am-4:00pm Class is full Instructor - David Robinson Cost \$35.00

The Art of Making a Segmented Christmas Ornament with Dwight Hostetter

Saturday, May 25th, 2024, 9:00am-4:00pm, and May 26th(TBD)

Instructor - Dwight Hostetter

Cost \$60.00

Class size is limited to 4 participants.

This class is for someone who is certified and familiar with using the wood lathe and associated tools. It is **not** to teach basic lathe operation and turning techniques

Introduction to Scrolling with Linda Simcik

Saturday, June 1st, 2024, 9:00am-12:00pm - Class is full

Saturday, June 1st, 2024, 1:00pm-4:00pm

Instructor - Linda Simcik

Cost - \$25.00

Each Class size is limited to 3 participants. There are 2 classes to pick from, but they are identical classes, just different times. You must be signed off on the scroll saw and drill press.

Habitat for Humanity Cabinet Build Class

August 24th, 2024 thru November 9, every other Saturday

9:00am-4:00pm

Cost \$100.00

See website for more details.

To get more information or to register and pay visit our website : https://wp.awwg.info Click on the education tab.



Yes it is that time of year when we shake off the winter doldrums and do some spring cleaning. A work day is scheduled for Thursday April 18, 2024. Here is a list of chores to be completed.

Deep clean and organize kitchen

Deep clean of bathrooms.

Build supply shelfs for kitchen supplies in water heater closet. This gets them off of the floor.

Landscape clean up, mow, trim and spray roundup.

Clean shop.

Clean all windows.

And more.

In addition to worker bees we are looking for volunteers to lead groups for the above tasks.













About Us

We are an organization of woodcrafters with skills ranging from beginner to master craftsmen.

Our monthly meetings will be conducted at the WEC the 3rd Saturday of each month at 10:00AM. Be sure to check out the mentoring sessions that start at 9:00AM

Our members share woodworking tips, bring projects to show and tell, hear guest speakers, and see live woodworking demonstrations at every meeting. Our free library contains books on techniques, videos, and project plans.

The Guild's Woodworking Education Center is located at the site of the old Maylene School building on Hwy 17 in Maylene, AL. The WEC is open Friday-Sunday for the membership and for visitors to drop by to see what we are all about. Please, before dropping by, check the WEC Calendar on our website (https://wp.awwg.info/calendar/) and make sure a Supervisor is scheduled to be on-duty

Community Involvement

In Addition to monthly meetings the Guild also has a group of dedicated woodworkers who meet at the WEC to make toys and various wooden therapeutic devices for Children's Hospital and other deserving organizations.

The guild also constructs kitchen and bathroom cabinets each year for Habitat for Humanity





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