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Alabama Woodworkers Guild Guild News



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Next Meeting

The next
scheduled
meeting is
August 15th

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President's Message

To Show or Not to Show?

This year's AWG Annual Show is October 24th through the 31st and since we have many new members since last years show. I thought a reprint of last year's article would be appropriate.

The annual show is coming up soon and I have to decide if I am going to enter something or not. Why should I? Well, I've been thinking about it and here's what I came up with.

- First, I'm not that good of a woodworker. I think I'd call myself an intermediate. At the monthly meetings, I see some very good show and tell objects that I don't think I can compete with. But, winning a ribbon is not why I would enter anyway. I think my work is good for my skill level and I am proud of it, so why not share it with everyone else. It's something to talk about and discuss techniques and design ideas.
- Second, It's good to support the Guild to the public. The Hoover Library is an ideal location for the show. It's a nice secure building that many people visit and view our objects. It introduces the AWG to a group of people that probably don't know that we exist. It's good positive publicity and shows the public that there still are craftspeople making beautiful handmade products in a mass production environment.
- Third, there are five skill categories, Traditional Furniture, Contemporary Furniture, Wood Turnings, Toys, and Miscellaneous. Three open categories, Boxes (jewelry, keepsake, tool, etc.), Musical Instruments, Tools and Jigs. So, there are many categories to enter my work I just need to decide where my piece fits the best. If I am confused the Show Chairman will help me decide. Plus there are four skill levels for me to fit into. Am I a beginner, an intermediate, advanced, or a master? In my case, I would classify myself as an intermediate box maker but a beginner wood turner. I don't have to worry about being put into a higher class than I actually am.

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- Fourth, I think it will be fun. Talking with the other woodworkers about what they entered and how they made their piece, what kind of finish did they use, and how did they come up with the idea. Not only that, my work might be better than I think it is. There is an objective professional woodworker that will judge all the pieces and give them a score. When I look at my work I see all the areas that I might have been able to do better. But someone else will see it as it is and evaluate it on it's merits, not it's defects.
- Fifth, just by submitting an object, I am entered in a drawing for a \$100 gift certificate at Woodcraft.

So, I don't see any reason not to enter my work. It will be fun to participate and I might win \$100 to spend at Woodcraft. If you have some of these same concerns, don't worry, just enter some of your work and let's have .some fun.

See you there,

Ray

New Members

The Alabama Woodworkers Guild would like to extend a warm welcome to our new members!

Lance Hand, Randall Baylis, Jerry Sims,
Joey Stephens, Cindi Tapscott, Godelieve Bartolucci,
David Robinson, Roy Moore

WELCOME!

WEC AUGUST - SEPTEMBER 2015 CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9[32] 1:00pm - 5:00pm Brian Stauss	10 Aug	11 9:00am - 3:00pm Over the Hill Gang - Toys Shop is CLOSED except for Toy work.	12	13	14 5:00pm - 9:00pm Paul Shank 9:00am - 1:00pm no supervisor 1:00pm - 5:00pm Michael Malinconico Shop Supervisor 205.886.4662	15 9:00am - 9:45am Pre-meeting 9:00am - 1:00pm Walt Barnett 10:00am - 11:30am Monthly Guild Meeting (Woodworking Education Center) 1:00pm - 5:00pm Cliff Daniels supervisor
16[33] 1:00pm - 5:00pm Mike Key	17	18 9:00am - 3:00pm Over the Hill Gang - Toys Shop is CLOSED except for Toy work.	19	20	21 9:00am - 1:00pm Supervisor: Patrick Murphy; Emer:205-585-5677 1:00pm - 5:00pm Supervisor: Patrick Murphy; Emer:205-585-5677	22 9:00am - 5:00pm H4H Cabinet Class (WEC Closed): Orientation and Face Frame Build Bob Moore & Randall Robertson
23[34] 1:00pm - 5:00pm ...Eddie Heerten	24	25 9:00am - 3:00pm Over the Hill Gang - Toys Shop is CLOSED except for Toy work.	26	27	28 9:00am - 5:00pm R Hardwick 5:00pm - 9:00pm ...Eddie Heerten	29 9:00am - 5:00pm H4H Cabinet Class (WEC Closed): Carcass Construction Brian Stauss & Cliff Daniels
30[35] 1:00pm - 5:00pm Brian Stauss	31 Sep	1 9:00am - 3:00pm Over the Hill Gang - Toys Shop is CLOSED except for Toy work.	2 6:30pm - 7:30pm AWG Board Meeting (J R Prewitt & Associates, 2146 Highland Avenue South)	3	4 9:00am - 1:00pm Ron Powellsupervisor 1:00pm - 5:00pm Ron Powellsupervisor 5:00pm - 9:00pm No Supervisor	5 9:00am - 1:00pm no supervisor 1:00pm - 5:00pm no supervisor
6[36] 1:00pm - 5:00pm no supervisor	7	8 9:00am - 3:00pm Over the Hill Gang - Toys Shop is CLOSED except for Toy work.	9	10	11 9:00am - 1:00pm Lynn Smith supervisor 1:00pm - 5:00pm Lynn Smith supervisor 5:00pm - 9:00pm Eddie Heerten	12 9:00am - 1:00pm ...Eddie Heerten 1:00pm - 5:00pm Michael Malinconico Shop Supervisor 205.886.4662

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August Pre-Meeting Mentoring Topic: String Inlay

The August Mentoring Series promises to be quite a treat with a “two fer”! The award winning and dynamic duo of Buzz and Nelda Kelly will share tips, tricks and how to’s of applying string inlay to your own projects.

The Kellys have studied under Steve Latt at the [Marc Adams Woodworking School](#) , considered as the premier woodworking school in North America. They will be presenting how to create the void and inlaying the wooden ‘string’ in either straight or curved configurations in your piece. The discussion will include using a Dremel tool with a ‘Stewart McDonald’ base and some of the different fence options. They will also share how to trim the ‘string’ flush with the surface.



Buzz and Nelda ask that any of the Guild Members who have taken one of their numerous classes would bring and share examples of the members’ work. Come on out for the 9 a.m. Pre-Meeting Saturday August 15th and see how to spruce up your next project!

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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 Project Photography



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August Meeting Program: Making Dovetails

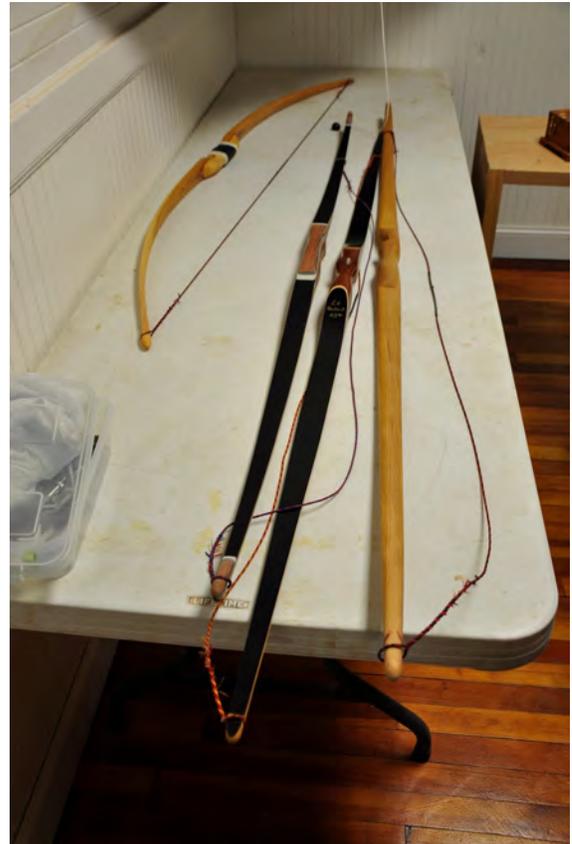
The August Main Program will feature our own President Ray Ziegler. Ray was a recipient of a Scholarship Award last year as part of the [Alabama Woodworkers Guild Scholarship](#)

[Program](#) to attend an educational seminar on the Rob Cosman method for cutting dovetails. Ray will be presenting and demonstrating his newly honed Cosman techniques.

Ray has unplugged and put away or given away his power tools, preferring now to truly work with his hands and his ever growing collection of hand tools. As you can see from his photo, he really likes to make 'ribbons' and enjoys sharing his experiences (mistakes) to help others enjoy hand tool woodworking.



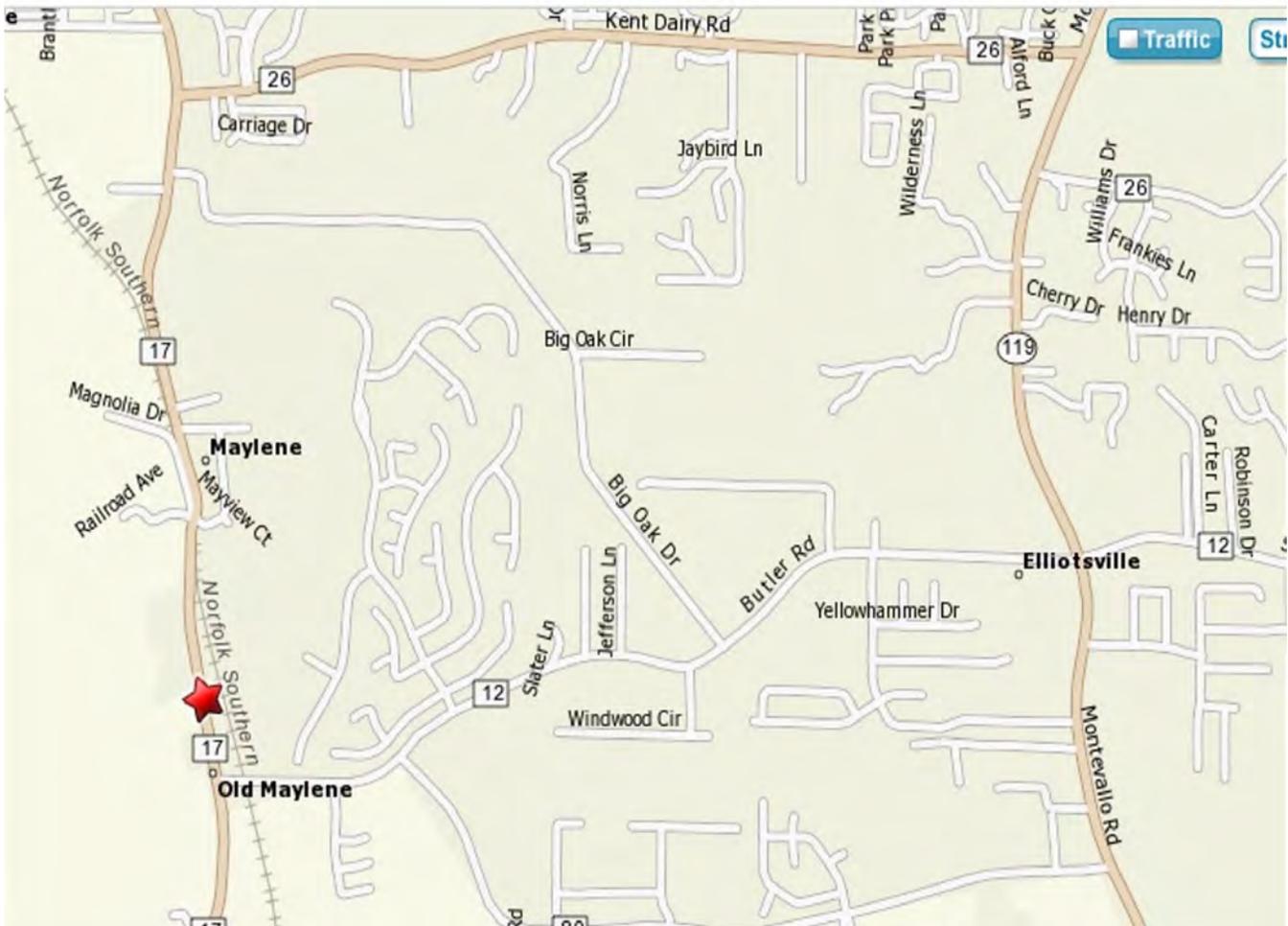
Photos from Last Month's Meeting



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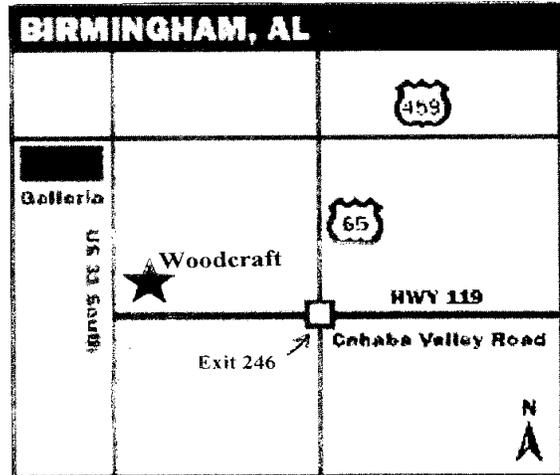
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