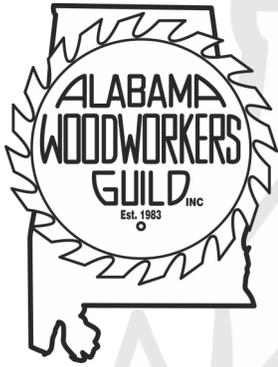


# The Alabama Woodworkers



## *Guild News*

May 2024

“Making saw dust with a purpose”



### 2024 Guild Officers and Directors

**President:** Jay Bagwell

**Past President:** Terrence James

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**Asst. Treasurer:** Steve Simcik

**Secretary:** James Averett

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Bob Free                         Tom Hession

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## President's Message Jay Bagwell

As many of you know, I've been active in our Luthier group for several years now. I have watched it grow by leaps and bounds, so much that we are running out of bench space on Monday nights! This is a “good problem” to have! I wanted to mention that for the foreseeable future, we will be having some members of the Luthier group come on Friday nights to help alleviate some crowding. This will be mentored by Geoff Wymer, and open to any member of the Guild that wants to participate. Of course, the shop will remain open as usual for personal projects on Fridays.

I also wanted to report that we are working to update the Guild's Mentor program, designed to match beginners with experienced woodworkers. In the next couple of months we will be updating our lists of active Mentors, with their skill sets. If you have the time, please consider becoming a Mentor. We have so many talented woodworkers, and it can really make a difference to someone starting out on their journey.

“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

Newsletter Editor: Linda Simcik

## May Meeting

**Saturday, May 18, 2024**

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

**9:00-10:00 am: Silent auction**

**10:00 am: General Meeting**

**Program:** The program will be taught by Bill Newman, topic will be becoming more accurate & precise using jigs, tools, and set-up methods.

### Annual Show Categories

★ Boxes With Joinery – Novice, Intermediate, Advanced

★ Furniture - Novice, Intermediate, Advanced

★ Musical Instruments - Novice, Intermediate, Advanced

★ Scroll Saw - Novice, Intermediate, Advanced

★ Woodturning - Novice, Intermediate, Advanced

#### Open Categories– no skill level

★ Boxes – No Joinery – Open

Toys – Open

★ CNC – Open

Carving – Open

★ Pyrography – Open

Miscellaneous – Open

★ Tools and Jigs – Open

All Challenges - Open

#### Special Interest Group Challenges - no skill level

★ CNC SIG – TBD

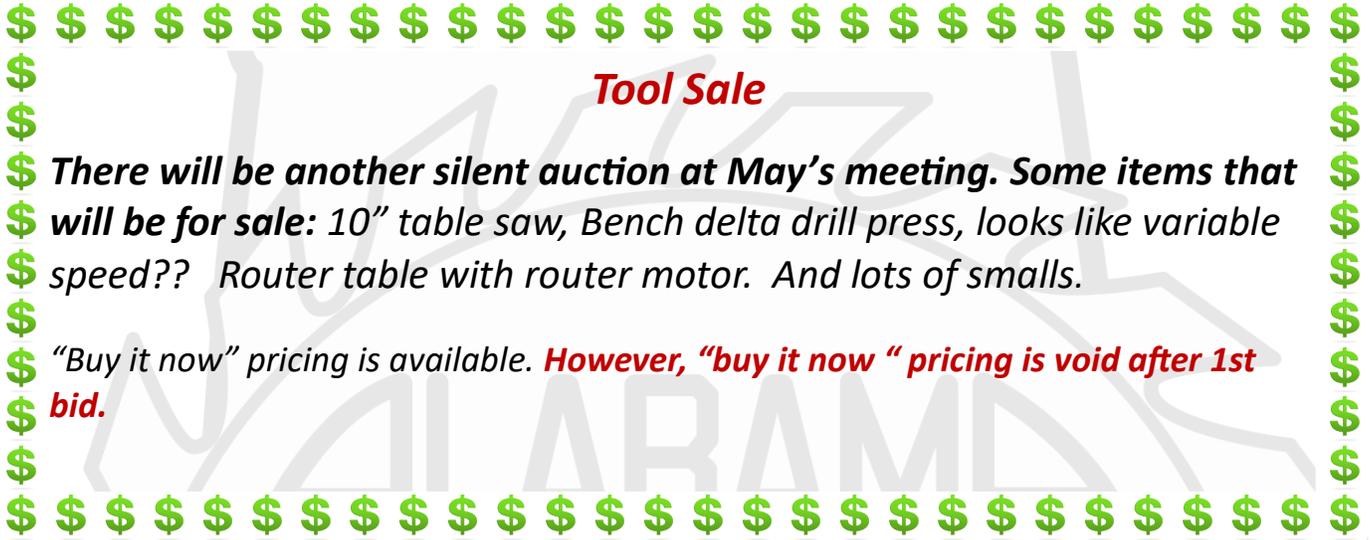
★ CNC Router SIG – “V” Cut

★ Hand Tool Group – Mantle Clock

★ Luthier SIG – A Child’s First Instrument

★ Wood Art Group – A Trio of Ornaments

★ If you are interested in any (or all) of the above challenges you can join the group and attend the meetings.



## Tool Sale

**There will be another silent auction at May's meeting. Some items that will be for sale: 10" table saw, Bench delta drill press, looks like variable speed?? Router table with router motor. And lots of smalls.**

**"Buy it now" pricing is available. However, "buy it now" pricing is void after 1st bid.**

## 2024 Class Schedule

### Thursday Fundamentals Workshop

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

### 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 - **Class is full**

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.

## New Members

Robert & Patrice Parker

Grant Bail

Wayne Satterwhite

Howard & Gina Dodson

Jason & Angela Hutton

Asaf Stein

## Stupid Dad Joke of the Month!

My kid asked me:

“Do trees poop?”

I said:

“Where do you think #2 pencils  
come from?”





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## 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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