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## DEWALT Demonstrating New Tools Submitted by Kevin Thomas



Lithium Product. In addition there will be a demonstration on the Porter Cable Pocket Hole Jig. Please join us to learn about the latest innovations from **DEWALT** and Porter Cable.



John Laubacher and Melanie Kuenning from Stanley Black & Decker (DEWALT/ Porter Cable) will be preHere are some product web sites:

20v Max Products

12v Max Products





senting the new DEWALT 20V MAX\* Lithium Product as well as the 12V MAX\*



# The President's Corner Submitted by Kevin Thomas

It's hard to believe that two years have passed already. It's been two years since I took over the office of President from John Johnson. It's been quite an eventful two years. Two years that will always stand out in my memories. And now I prepare to hand over the office to the next President, Rob Young.

So this is the last column I will

write to you as president. I hope that you have found my musings entertaining and informative. I think I'll end my term with a look back and a look ahead.

In looking back we have to start with the size of the Guild. When I took over from John we had just topped the 200 member

level. We now stand at just under 500 members. So in two years time we have doubled in size. Wow! Is there more growth in our future? I'd like to think so.

The growth has not come without a few growing pains. We've encountered things like floods and a loss of

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lease. But we've persevered and kept plugging away. When we had the flood at our old space, you all came and donated time to clean up the mess. When we lost our lease and had to find a new home, you all volunteered time, trucks, and individual expertise to make our new place a home. We now occupy a shop/meeting place that I would never have dreamed possible just a few short years ago, when we were meeting in a church basement.

Two years ago, I told you that I wanted to stress education. We have done that in spades. We've had big name speakers Christopher Schwarz, Doug Stowe, Nora Hall and John Wilson. Mr. Wilson, of course, will be coming back this May. We've had numerous clinics and workshops taught by our own members, Calvin Hobbs, David Kraatz, and Rob Young. And our big class, Beginning Machine Woodworker taught by Kara Paris, which is about

to start its fourth session. I've decided that if you teach it, they will come.

There have been losses that we have had to deal with as well. We've lost, just in the last year, members Merle Krugman, Dan Hurley, Don Kruse, Bill Gilbert, and Vice-President Cliff Bell. I hope I haven't missed anyone. These were all longtime members who helped make us what we have become. Their presence and knowledge are greatly missed.

As president I've been lucky enough to oversee a lot of neat stuff that has happened to the Guild. I want to stress that none of it could have happened without the hard work of many of you, the membership. Now, more than ever, this has become YOUR Guild. So please don't take it for granted. Get involved and help out. Step up and join the leadership team. The many Directors are always looking for assistants. Assistants to train to move up the leadership ladder. Fresh blood, as I like to say, with fresh ideas.

So I hope some of you will take the time to get more involved in your Guild. Rob will always be able to use whatever help comes his way. If we only count on the same people, over and over, to keep things running they will eventually burn out. If they burn out and there is no one there to replace them, well we will be in trouble. So please, step up and get more involved. You won't regret it.

I'm going to have some free time, for a change. Of course, I have plenty of unfinished projects to finish. I hope to actually bring something in for Show and Tell, at some point. My wife has plans for my extra time as well. I see a long "Honey-Do" list in my future. I won't be completely out of the Guild picture. I'll still be a shop foreman and serving on the Safety Committee. But most of all, I hope to be doing what I've been telling you to do for the last two years. I'll be making sawdust.

Kevin

# Scroll Saw SIG Submitted by John Tegeler



Many projects were presented for 'Show And Tell'

The Scroll Saw SIG met Wednesday 04-11-12, at 7:00 PM, at the KCWG shop. The facilitator was Dave Roth and there were fourteen people in attendance and two guests.

John Tegeler discussed the possibility of taking a field trip to attend the annual Scroll Saw Association of the World Expo which takes place in Springfield, MO, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, July 12, 13, and 14, 2012. Those interested in going would probably leave Thursday afternoon and return Saturday night. This is an evolving process, so be sure to attend the monthly

meetings in May and June for updates and trip progress. According to Jim Nagle and Bill Evans, both past attendees, this is a scroll saw must event.

It was proposed by Bill Evans that the Scroll Saw SIG, under the aegis of KCWG,

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# **MEMBER PROJECTS**



The award for most disturbing creation goes to Bill Kuhlman and his disembodied finger in a clockwork box.



Jim Ramsey displayed this box made of maple and walnut and finished with shellac.



John Hoshimoto shared this mallet made with Osage Orange and finished with shellac.



Ken Grainger made this perfling tool of walnut, brass and steel. Happy perfling Ken!



Ken also made this clipboard of walnut, presumably to keep track of things he has perfled.



Louis Armstrong made this collection of mallets made of walnut, ash, osage orange, and ipe.



Ryan McNair made this side table at the Dave Kratz clinic. There are 32 mortise and tenon joints in this table.



Tony Habiger created this ottoman of red oak to match the morris chair, coffee table, and end table.



Bill Johnston "over-restored" this brace. Above is an unrestored version. It was then sealed in a glass case and placed in Bill's tool museum.

# KCWG APRIL 2012 ELECTION BALLOT

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(All candidates are listed in alphabetical order)

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## Hand Tool Sharpening Submitted by John Tegeler

The Hand Tool SIG met Sunday 03-25-12, at 2:00 PM, at the KCWG shop. The facilitator was Rob Young and there were eighteen people in attendance.

The topic of discussion centered on the sharpening of hand tools. Keeping a sharp edge is very important when working with chisels and planes. A review of the fundamentals

of sharpening was presented. A recap of those fundamentals is as follows:

- 1. Grind to a flat surface and bevel the edge to a point.
- 2. Hone the edge and back to a fine point.
- 3. Polish to a fine and sharp finish.

Demonstrations, further discussions, and hands on practice

followed. The meeting concluded 4:00 PM.

## John Wilson Presenting in May Submitted by Kara Paris

In May at our regular
Monthly Meeting everyone
will get a chance to hear a
presentation from John
Wilson, the premier Oval
Shaker Box expert and
New Author of the Book
"Making Wood Tools".
The program for May will be

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"How to Make Tool Steel

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become members of the Scroll Saw Association of the World. Bill will look into this and report back at the next SIG meeting.

The Sig will be scheduling workshop times for the Bogalusa Box project. Times will be sent to the general membership and posted on the SIG's web site. Hopefully we will be able to schedule some combination of weekdays

and weekends and at least two sessions each in the last two weeks of April. Glued up panels for the project were on display and they will be used in the sessions scheduled.

Many projects were presented for 'Show And Tell' and the accompanying photo shows the presenters and their projects.

Spring Fish indicated that she may give a presentation on

compound cutting at the next SIG meeting in May.

If any member has an interest in scrolling, this Special Interest Group has plenty of room for you. Please feel free to come to any meeting and participate. The group meets at 7:00 PM on the second Wednesday of every month at the Guild.



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