



John Wilson Submitted by Kara Paris

John Wilson, the premier Oval Shaker Box expert and New Author, of the Book Making Wood Tools will be presenting the program for May, "How to Make Tool Steel Blades". John will show hardening and tempering of the O1 tool steel, and he will discuss what goes on with the carbon steel in the process.

John's new book Making Wooden Tools will be available at our May monthly meeting for \$39.95. Preview John's book at <http://www.shakerovalbox.com/finished/ToolBook.pdf>.

John's website is <http://www.shakerovalbox.com>.

Following the general meeting John will also teach the following Hands -On Workshops May 17 - May

20 at the KCWG Shop.

Hands -On Shaker Oval Box Workshops

Thursday, May 17, 6-9 PM continuing Friday, May 18, 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

OR

Friday May 18, 6-9 PM continuing Saturday, May 19, 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM .

You will make 5 Cherry boxes, box # 0 - # 4. Try this traditional bent-wood craft for a project that is attractive, useful, and easier than you might think! All of the Tools and Materials are included. There are fourteen



steps to making a shaker oval box.

All Workshop's Tuition \$125.00 + \$45.00 Materials

Woodworker Plus \$100.00 + \$45.00

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President's Corner Submitted by Rob Young

As I start my term as President I get to look back at what I've observed and learned from all the members of the Leadership Committee and Board of Directors. From them I've seen great things and heard great ideas. So here's hoping there are more great

ideas and great things to come! I want to take this opportunity to thank those who have served on the Board and Leadership Committee and especially outgoing President Kevin Thomas, and Kara Paris and Bill Johnston for all their work as we grew so quickly these last

four years. And to welcome Chuck Saunders as Vice-president, Erwin Kurtz as Director of Assets, Marc Waugh as Director of Training and Brad Swaters as Director of Communication. Remember that we wouldn't have a Guild at all if it was-
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Wood Words

CNC SIG Meeting Submitted by Chuck Saunders

The CNC SIG meeting focused on cutting a 20 year plaque for a local business. The plaque has the letters cut completely through the 3/4" walnut plaque. Success is still eluding us as some of the more fragile areas broke with

the grain. More fuel for the woodstove.

Next month (May 23rd) Brad is planning to bring in his [3-Dimensional printer](#).

The CNC SIG meets the 4th Wednesday of the month at

7:00pm at the Guild Shop. All members are welcome and invited to attend.

Power Tool SIG Meeting Submitted by Chuck Saunders

This month the Power Tool Sig discussed the measurement tools needed to assess machine condition and setting alignment so the tools operate properly. We covered use of micrometers, calipers, rules, squares, straightedges, feeler gauges and dial indicators. Additionally how to measure if a shaft is running true and whether two things are parallel or square.

Next month (May 20th) the meeting will start at 4:00 so as not to intrude on John Wilson's Making Hand Tools Workshop. We have a table saw that we will be using to

address many topics associated with power tool restoration and repair in the coming months. This meeting will cover assessing tool condition and removing fasteners when they cooperate and when they don't.

In June we will take on restoring cast iron tables to their previous glory.

Additionally, June 9th is the annual Grizzly Tent Sale at Grizzly Tools in Springfield. Grizzly sells all of the damaged and discontinued machinery that they have accu-

mulated over the year. I am going again this year, see me for details.

The Power Tool Repair and Restoration SIG regularly meets the 3rd Sunday of the month at 3:00pm at the Guild Shop. All members are welcome and invited to attend.

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Kansas City Woodworkers' Guild Safety Week Submitted by Chuck Slagle

May 6- 12, 2012

The Woodworker's Safety Week occurs every year during the first full week of May. Please take some time to review the safety attitudes you should have while working in your shop. Everyone must take personal responsibility for his or her own per-

sonal safety when working in the Guild shop. With so many new woodworkers joining the Guild each month, it is important to reinforce the small things, like the three inch safety rule that is hard to follow, but it allows for mental errors!

In April, the Guild experi-

enced the first serious shop accident since the shop has been in operation. A student in the band saw box class was making a cut when he placed his right thumb in line with the band saw blade and cut the fleshy part of his thumb between the cuticle and knuckle about 1/4 inch

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MEMBER PROJECTS



Cliff O'Bryan made this original minimalist design chair.



This is Andy Krum's first band saw box, finished with tung oil.



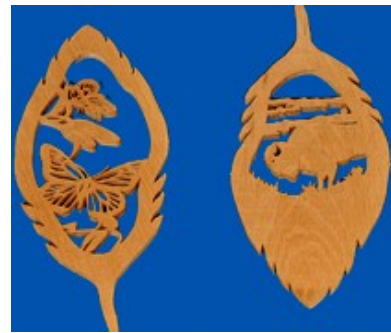
Andy also made this high chair of red oak.



Bill Rivett restored this axe and Disston back saw.



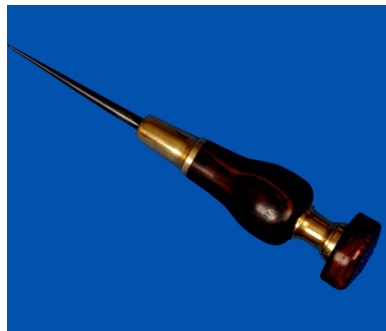
Willy Spangler created these very detailed scroll pieces. Willy claims he just whipped



these out in the last few weeks....?!



Amos and Tegeler made this presentation box for an unsuspecting angler.



Bill Johnston made this scratch awl from raw material. The Cocobolo really dresses it up.



Ron Lomax built this knock-down American Girl Bed commissioned by his granddaughter. He claims that's why he painted it pink.

MEMBER PROJECTS



Erwin Kurtz created this wedding card box for his daughter's upcoming wedding. The box is made mostly of maple and the inscription on top was



created using the CNC routing machine in the shop.

President's Corner

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n't for our members stepping forward to do the work behind the scenes. Step forward yourself and volunteer to help with projects or assist the various Directors in their duties. And if you don't know what you want to do, just ask any one of the Leadership Committee or Officers and we will help you find an aspect of the Guild that will benefit of your time and devotion.

I joined the KCWG not long after its move from a church basement with very limited resources to a large, well lit space (but still a basement). Then I got to see that basement transformed into a fully equipped shop space with members working on their own special projects. We watched outside experts like Marc Adams, Chris Schwarz, Nora Hall and others inspire our members to try new techniques. Now with an even larger shop space, greater membership and a list of programs, clinics and workshops as long as your arm we are going to have FUN IN THE WORKSHOP. I warned Dave Kraatz his "theme" was too good to keep to himself. His enthusiasm for demonstrating and teach-



Mike Regan made these two wood hand planes, one of



which has an adjustable mouth.

ing along with members like Cal Hobbs, John Tegeler, Kara Paris, David Roth, Scott Engelmann, Ron Lomax and many others have set the precedent for the Kansas City Woodworkers' Guild to have quality local talent from whom our membership can learn. We know what some of you can do but do you know what that character sitting next to you at the monthly meeting can do? What they can teach? Tell me and then I'll twist their arm to tell you!

At our May membership meeting we will be welcoming back John Wilson (www.shakerovalbox.com) and his magic Shaker boxes. From these magic boxes John has pulled a new book "Making Wooden Tools" that details his methods for making shop tools like handplanes, spokeshaves, drawknives and more. John will be discussing and demonstrating the basics of fabricating your own blades for woodworking tools including the hardening of tool steel in front of your very eyes on May 16th. Then for the following three days he will be leading workshops on the making of oval Shaker boxes in sizes 0 through 4, handplanes of various types and for those who took his class last go-round the opportunity to make the larger size 5 through 8 Shaker boxes. I predict a very busy shop and very tired John Wilson. Sign-up and let's make sure John goes home exhausted every night!

New Safety Fact Sheets Submitted by Chuck Slagle

The Guild has put three new machines in service, Combination Belt/Disc & Edge Belt Sanders and a Lathe. The Guild safety program requires that all members who have shop privileges (Green and Orange name tags) are required to read the Safety Rule Fact Sheet for the two new fact sheets above, and complete an open book test, corrected to 100%. These two new Safety Fact Sheets and answer sheet are availa-

ble on the Guild Web site. You have until August 1, 2012 to read the new Safety Rule Fact Sheets and complete the test to maintain your shop privileges. After August 1, your shop privileges will be suspend-



ed until you complete the safety test for all machines.

Have a Safe Day!

Kansas City Woodworkers' Guild Safety Week

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into the flesh.

The student stated that he was concentrating on following the line on his box project when he saw that his fingers were in line of the blade. He moved his fingers and put his thumb where his fingers were located. He admitted that he was concentrating on the line and not where his thumb was located.

The lesson learned from this accident is:

Always observe the three inch rule and do not allow your fingers to be in line with the band saw blade.

Even experienced woodworkers can always use a refresher on practicing these safety

attitudes

FOCUS

A good safety attitude means that you focus on the task. How much are you concentrating on the job? Are you concentrating on the task to the point of forgetting the safety rules or the position of your hands?

STRENGTH

A good safety attitude means you have the mental strength and discipline to follow the safety procedures.

TIME

A good safety attitude means taking the time follow the safety rules and use the machine guard or right Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).

RESPONSIBILITY

If you care about yourself

and your family, YOU will have to take responsibility and follow the safety correct procedure every time and not take short cuts.

RISK

A good safety attitude means being smart and avoiding unnecessary risks. A one in a thousand times risk is not worth the possible cost. Do not play the odds, always follow the safety procedures!

For details on the safe way to use the woodworking equipment in the Guild or your shop, visit the [Safety Section](#) of the Guild web site.

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Materials

Workshop capacity is limited so register Now

Advanced Shaker Box Workshops

Thursday, May 17, 6-9 PM
continuing Friday, May 18,
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

OR

Friday May 18, 6-9 PM continuing Saturday, May 19,
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM .

Prerequisite: beginners workshop, boxes # 0 - # 4 prior (at the Guild in June 2010) or take beginners workshop on Thursday/Friday and take Advanced Workshop on Friday/Saturday!

In the Advanced workshop make larger boxes # 5, or # 6 or # 7 or #8 or trays in 5 different sizes.

Workshop Tuition \$125.00 + \$45.00 Materials

Woodworker Plus \$100.00 + \$45.00 Materials

Workshop capacity is limited!

Register Now

Making Wood Tools Workshops

Thursday, May 17, 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

OR

May 20, Sunday 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM.

Choose from a Block Plane, Smoothing Plane, Scrub Plane, Compass Plane or a 4" Draw Knife.

Workshop Tuition \$125.00 + \$45.00 Materials

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