# Wood Words



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## The Basics of Wood Carving submitted by Cliff Schuette

Mac Dressler, a long time Kansas City Woodworkers Guild member and local restoration professional, will lead us through the basics of carving. You will learn how to develop and transfer patterns to your project in order to begin the carving process. Next, you will be guided to think about the wood you will be carving, and what you should be looking for in order to maximize your efforts. Of course proper tools including chisels will be considered. (Don't visit Mac's shop if you are prone to chisel envy.) Finally, Mac will talk about and demonstrate basic techniques for carving. Carving can add an artistic dimension to your woodworking and it is a skill that has many facets. Join Mac in seeing how easy it can be.



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## Presidents's Corner submitted by Rob Young

Got Junk? Seem to hear a lot of radio ads for companies that will (for a fee of course) cart away your "junk". Looking around my home shop area I noticed it has begun to accumulate what some might call "junk". Those little scraps of precious wood left over from a project or small tools that just aren't getting used like l imagined when first acquired. So instead of calling and paying for a junk run, I started sorting into piles. A pile to burn, a pile to give away and a pile for the KCWG shop.

Every Open Shop I'm reminded of the myriad number of little things it takes to keep the shop functioning. I tell new members they should plan to bring their own square, marking and measuring tools. The shop has a

few of each but they are hard to share between 7 or 8 on-going projects. And more than once, even though we try to keep a selection of various sandpaper grits on hand, it happens that the last sheet or disk of the grit you need was used up last Open Shop period. And Erwin can't magically produce new stock. This is why we suggest that people follow the "take a penny - leave a penny" philosophy with the shop supplies.

So while you are cleaning out for Spring, make your own pile of "junk" that members at KCWG Open Shop could use. Ask Erwin or the other Foremen what nicknacks people keep searching for in the cabinets and maybe your "junk" pile at home can find a new home. Now, where did I leave that package of 80 grit paper I don't need any more and those little machinist squares? And why did I think it was a good idea to buy two gallons of glue at the same time?



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## **Events** submitted by Tim Locke



#### Open house:

The KCWG and KC Turners Open House is scheduled for Saturday June 22, 2013 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Featured are the following:

Bill Johnston's famous "Woodworking With Children"

Cedar Creek Saw Mill will have rough cut lumber for sale

Dave Kratz will be presenting wood working fundamentals

The Scroll Saw SIG will have demonstrations

Brisket Lunch will be served

Members projects displays

will also be an opportunity

Volunteer's needed for the following:

Display and explain projects completed or nearly completed.

Shop Clean up prior to the open house at a date to be announced

#### Shop Crawl

If you are interested in opening your shop up for member tours, please let Tim Locke know a range of Saturdays available. We would like to consider late July or early August. Interesting fabrication methods, special tooling, finishing booths, or material handling innovations might be of great interest to fellow

wood workers.

Annual Fund Raising Auction

We are planning our fundraising auction for early November. We need a few hard working members to assist in soliciting, picking up and organizing donations. This does not happen automatically and requires tenacious effort. SO if you are looking for a way to contribute your valuable time to the guild please send a note or call Tim Locke.

#### STRASSER

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yet to be completed along with patching and cleaning the floor. The room will also function as a classroom for demonstrations and training. When finished it will provide a comfortable place to find and read articles, watch DVD's, and converse with fellow woodworkers.

Van-Ton

David Roth Woodwork 913-481-9016 Interei

The shop has been a busy place this last month with bird houses, briefcases, benches and tables for Overland Park Arboretum. With all that activity the Shop is in need of a good cleaning. There is no better time than the day before the Guild's Annual Open House. Mark your calendar for Friday June 21st at 6:00 PM. There

From The Shop submitted by Erwin Kurtz

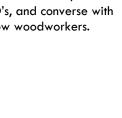


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on Friday to help set up for the Open House on Saturday June 22. It's your Guild to show off. Cleaning the shop is everyone who uses the shop responsibility. Allow extra cleanup time if you have been using the thickness plainer or jointer. Inform the foreman if the dust collector bags need to be emptied, and then assist him in com-

The library is in the process of moving from the cramped quarters in front to the spare classroom next to the kitchen. The library is not complete yet but is functional for finding books and magazines. The audio/visual cabinet is

pleting the task.





# MEMBER PROJECTS



Blanket Chest by Gary Mielke
 Made with white oak

Finished polyurethane

- Side Table by Gary Mielke made with cherry
- Bandsaw Box by George Rexroad
  Made with walnut, maple, hickory
  Finished with general acrylic
- Box by John Tegeler
  made with mahogany, walnut, bird's eye maple
  finished with Danish oil

point of interest sliding dovetails

- 5) Jefferson Lap Desk by Russ Amos
- made with fiddle back mahogany, veneer on Baltic birch

finished with shellac & wax

- 6) Grand Pianos by Spring Fisk
  made with basswood
  point of interest scroll saw
- English Square by Wayne Peterson made with cherry

8) Clip board by Dana Sipes

made with sassafras & red oak

finished with Armour seal

Point of interest used computer-controlled router for name

9) Cutting Board by Roland Mohler

made with walnut, chery, maple

finished with mineral oil

10) American Doll Highchair by Erwin Kurtz made with oak

finished with water poly

point of interest no nails or screws

11) Tool Chest by Rod Hansen made with cypress finished with analine dye, milk paint, tung oil point of interest Chris Schwartz article challenges: new finish technique, dovetailed skirt & dust shield 12) Roubo Bench & Moxon Vise by Ron Hansen made with maple, bench crafted hardware finished with linseed oil point of interest great clamping options Scroll Saw Portrait by Spring Fisk 13) 14) Box by Kevin McAndrew made with pine finished with Danish oil point of interest hidden space challenges gluing magnets 15) Box by Craig Arnold made mahogany, hickory, ebony finished with Garnett shellac, Danish oil point of interest wood hinges, continuous grain, resawn top/bottom challenges finger joints

# MEMBER PROJECTS



## SHHHHHHHH submitted by Barry Pennington

The Library is coming soon to a guild near you. We have a great start on our new library and would like to thank a few people. Let us start with Erwin Kurtz. Without his Leadership, Skills, and Guidance this project would not be taking place. We are also lucky that we have an active Library Committee that has put in many hours and newcomers are always welcome. Let me start with CJ Scheppers, Larry Settle, Keith Doel and Brad Swaters who have all contributed time to the project of getting us moved and functional in our new location. We are located in the east classroom, between the hallway and the

kitchen.

We will have a easier and auicker process for checking out books in the new library, so stay tuned. During the membership meeting, stop by and take at look at the progress. We will keep a stock of recent magazines available for browsing and checking out. Also, Walter Murphy has donated a copier so you can take info home without checking something out. Walter has also donated the greatest portion of our books by far and for that we say "thank you" Walter. Keep in mind, those of you who have donated your magazines to our library assist the Guild in generating

revenues through surplus magazine sales and that help us to keep operating, so a big thank you to those who have donated!

The new library will have a DVD and VHS capability. As we move forward we will have increased capabilities with the use of our multimedia center/library.

Also, our supportive leadership committee, who gave a project of great magnitude the attention it deserves and we thank you. In addition, this is no doubt a good time to thank Chuck Lynn, whose vision becomes reality with this move.



THE WAY TO GET THE MOST OUT OF BELONGING TO THE GUILD IS BY GIVING TO THE GUILD.

## YOUR "HELP WANTED!" submitted by Jim Stuart

How many times have you heard or read that regarding a Woodworkers Guild project? Our dues are not enough to cover the cost of the Guild in operation. Therefore, we need to engage in fund raising projects when they present themselves. As I write this there are at least three Guild projects under way to bring in revenue to help keep the doors open:

- The Briefcase project
- The Overland Park Arboretum tables and benches project
- The Awards plaque project.

While some of the projects are worked on during the weekday, managers of these projects will try to have more evening and weekend work sessions. Volunteer your time and you might just learn some new woodworking skills, or maybe just get some practice on skills you already possess.

The way to get the most out of belonging to the Guild is by giving to the Guild.

## Power Tool SIG submitted by Chuck Saunders

Power Tool SIG meeting for May focused on the topic of Wood Planers. We assembled a collection of planers ranging from the 6" hand fed Craftsman to the 30" Whitney, looking at the differences in construction and how changes affect wood preparation.

Due to Father's Day there will not be a Power Tool SIG meeting in June Next meeting July 21st 3:00pm - Welding



# Woodshop Housekeeping submitted by Chuck Slagle

Sloppy work conditions can lead to unsafe conditions and a lack of pride in the Guild Shop, or your home shop. Each time you work in the Guild shop or your shop, take a few minutes to clean up after you are done working in the shop.

### Problems caused by poor housekeeping include:

Slips from slick floor areas and walking on sawdust covered floor surfaces.

Trips from objects or materi-

# Eyes on the Blackboard submitted by Mark Waugh

your own.

Remember, you need your for any of our training opportunities. You can do this by signing up early and completing your written test before attending the **SAFETY TRAINING ORIENTA-**

TION scheduled on Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup> at 3 PM. BASIC BAND SAW BOX CLIN-IC with John Tegeler

John Tegeler will be holding a **Basic Band Saw** 

**Box Clinic** on Saturday, July the 27 at 9 AM and again at 1 PM. This basic band saw box clinics will focus on the techniques needed to cut and assemble a basic band saw box. It will not be fancy (i.e no 'Goo-Ga's per Mr. Anthony) but will allow you to build the skills needed to plan, cut & assemble a band saw box so you can design

als that someone left in walkways and work areas.

Cuts and bruises caused by poorly stored materials, overhanging or protruding objects, haphazard spotting of pallets, and use of aisles for storing equipment and materials in the shop.

### Good Housekeeping:

Eliminates accident or slip and fall causes

Helps control damage to guild equipment from falling off cluttered benches.

Encourages safer work habits.

By cleaning up after each shop session, it reduces the amount of cleanup required.

Provides the best use of shop space.

Housekeeping is more than just sweeping and cleaning, it is the most critical part of maintaining a safe work environment in the shop. A clean shop is a safe shop!

and creativity in every wood-

Cost: For Sawdust Makers

have their Green Card)

Woodworker Plus and

Dates: Thursdays July

you place in the class.

Advanced Box Class with

Ron Lomax will be starting

Total cost \$134

above Course Fee is \$104

and a \$30 Material Fee -

25 through September 19, 6-

Class size is limited to 8 stu-

dents. Tuition Payment holds

Course Fee is \$130 and a

\$30 Material Fee - Total cost

and General Members (that

working project.

\$160

9 PM

Ron Lomax



This is an follow up to the Beginning Box class and will consist of building a box that will uses many of the skills from the first class (but more complex) and then the student will design and build a box of their own. Since this is an advanced class you will select your stock and mill it for your project. If you wish to use some thing other than the domestic Hard Woods in stock you are free to source your own stock based on what your finances can handle.

#### Cost:

For Sawdust Makers and General Members (that have their Green Card

Course Fee is \$100 and a \$30 Material Fee - Total cost \$130

Woodworker Plus and above

an Advanced Box **Class** starting Tuesday July 23 from 6-9 PM for 5 weeks.

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Cost Green Card to use the shop

> For Sawdust Makers and General Members (that have their Green Card)

> \$25 Material Fee -Total cost \$25

Date: Saturday July 27 9 AM & 1 PM

Class size is limited to 4 students per class (2 classes for a total of 8 students). Tuition Payment holds your place in the class.

### **Beginning Box Class with** Ron Lomax

Ron Lomax will be starting a Beginning Box

**Class** starting Thursday July 25 from 6-9 PM for 9 weeks. This Class will focus on building 3 boxes that will advance all your woodworking skills, leading to greater accuracy

## Eyes on the Blackboard submitted by Mark Waugh

tails, the through dovetail in

square stock. Any member of

the Kansas City Woodwork-

ers' Guild is welcome to at-

tend; a Green Card is not

required. With some good

luck and a little bit of skill.

participants will be able to

This clinic is intended for the

beginning to intermediate

hand tool woodworker or

any woodworker looking to

expand their skills. Be pre-

pared to work quickly and

Date: Saturday July 13

6 students (If you sign up,

have to talk about it!)

please show up....or we will

To signup for any of these

classes or clinics see Mark

email training@kcwoodwor

10:00 AM - 4 PM Limited to

complete a small box.

Clinic Skill Level

accurately.

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kersquild.org

Cost: Free Clinic

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Course Fee is \$80 and a \$30 Material Fee - Total cost \$110

Dates: Tuesdays July 23 through August 20 6-9 PM

Class size is limited to 8 students. Tuition Payment holds your place in the class.

#### Step up your Game Clinic

Dovetails I (Part Uno) Come spend a little time with our own Rob Young as he starts you on a Journey into Joinery with Dovetails I (Part Uno) on Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup> from 10-4. He will cover information on pins, tails, and the all-important Ratio Angles. This is a Free Clinic from the guild but your instructor could use a beverage after class.

Clinic Description

This clinic will focus on the most basic of hand-cut dove-

## Sponsor's Corner submitted by Craig Arnold

The Guild welcomes two new sponsors this month: Tom the Sawyer and Superior Grinding.

Tom Hogard is the primary sawyer at Tom the Sawyer— Portable Sawmill Service. Tom offers sawmill services at your site or his home in Eudora, Kans. His Timberking B- 20 bandsaw mill handles logs up to 32 inches in diameter and up to 20 feet long. His normal service area covers 13 counties in the KC metro. Tom also offers free site visits to evaluate your logs and potential milling sites. Guild members receive 10 percent off when you show your valid Membership Card. Contact Tom the

In closing, I need to hear from **you folks** about what **YOU** would like to see come to the guild as far as Clinics, Classes and Workshops. There are no wrong ideas just nondiscussed ideas. In addition to the listings mentioned above, I have a few others in the works, but like fine wine, they take time to develop (and get produced). With that said, *please* become involved with your guild and help and/or learn to work out the details for putting on the training programs. If you are interested with assisting (a little or a lot based on your circumstances) call, email anytime or see me at the meetings.

Lets go play in the shop!

Mark Waugh

training@kcwoodworkersguild.org

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Please remember to show your Guild Membership Card when you shop with Guild sponsors. Please, don't assume the sponsor knows you're a Guild member. When you show your Guild Membership Card you not only save money but also reinforce the value of the sponsor's investment in the Guild.

Please welcome Tom and David as Guild sponsors and shop their businesses!

## Upcoming Events submitted by Cliff Schuette

Mark your calendars for the following programs through December 2013. Any changes will be noted at the earliest possible date. If you have a request for a topic and/or speaker be sure to contact Cliff Schuette, Program Chair.

June 19 Program – Introduction to Wood Carving for Woodworkers, Mac Dressler, Professional Woodworker and Restorer, Liberty, MO

July 17 Program – The Benefits and Uses of Hand Tools and the Moxon Vise, Stuart Brown, owner of Tudor Woodworking, Kansas City

August 21 Program – Building the Dulcimer, Dave Kraatz, KCWG member

September 18 Program -Japanese Inspired Furniture and Craft Using Traditional Tools, Brian Holland, owner b.Holland&co

October 16 – Building a Chair at the Andy Chidwick Woodworking School,

Cliff Schuette, KCWG Member

November 20 – So you want to use Inlay in your Woodwork Projects? Ron Lomax, KCWG Member

December 18 - Christmas Dinner



WE NEED REVENUE PROJECTS TO MAKE ENDS MEET.

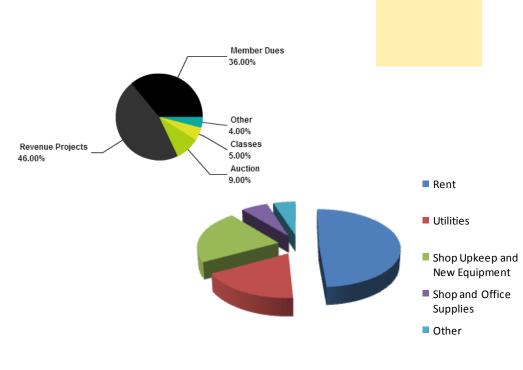
## Counting Beans submitted by Gary Mielke

Before we get into the financial update check out this website:

www.woodworkingformerem ortals.com. <u>Woodworking for</u> <u>mere mortals</u> has videos and plans for projects. I thought it was interesting and I liked the web name.

Now here are some financial percentages that you may find interesting.

Membership dues will not cover the Guild fixed expenses (rent and utilities). We need revenue projects to make ends meet. It's important for you to volunteer to help on those projects when the call goes out.



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