

# Kansas City Woodworkers' Guild

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## Members News

### President's Corner

And we start a new body of the Leadership Committee. After the close of the meeting I was approached by Toby Liu and he wants to serve as Director of Programs. Problem Solved. Now everyone can come to the May meeting without fear of leaving with a new title. I am proud to welcome Toby and Bill Lintner as new members of the Leadership Committee as well as my appreciation for Sharon Pugh, Gary Mielke, Erwin Kurtz and Craig Arnold for grabbing the ring and taking another ride on the carousel. If you are interested in assisting any director, just let them know. We need all the help we can get.

My special thanks to Jack Gregg and Danny Sanders who are taking on the

task of stripping and waxing the floor at the Guild. When you see the shine, remember that it is buffed with their sweat. A tough job, but the place looks great.

I just started taking Cal Hobbs' Ball and Claw Footstool class. This is what it is all about, my friends. Having a space where we can share, teach and learn from each other. Our ability to provide a facility for teaching and promoting the craft of woodworking to members along with the Open Shop time for members to come in and advance their skills working on their own projects is what this Guild is about. That's how we end up with... Drumroll Please -- Member number 500, we are now 500 strong! Look around the shop next time you're there, we have a new drill press! Even

bigger news, it has a keyless chuck (no relation) so no fussing with a certain poorly fitting chuck and key. Tim Locke is working on having our big wood sale, Mike Jones has more classes lined up, Maker Faire is just around the corner, Erwin and Dave Kraatz are going to have a fun build project and there are more in the offing.

Idle hands are the Devil's workshop. No worries. We are busy busy.

-Chuck Saunders.. President



### Next General Meeting : May 20th, 7:00-9:00pm KCWG Shop

Program: Using Trimble's SketchUp: 3D Modeling Software with Chris Gorney

Kansas City architect Chris Gorney will provide a basic overview in the 3D drafting software Trimble's Sketch-up, focused around basic cabinetry and furniture modeling. His presentation will cover program navigation, orientation and usage. We will begin by teaching the program through building a working and build-able model.

Gorney is the Lead Designer at Second Life Studios here in Kansas City. Second Life Studios does everything from commercial fixture design and construction to creating one-off pieces made from repurposed/reclaimed timbers and lumber. This group has done some very high visi-

bility work around the KC metro area and Chris used SketchUp daily in his design work.

In addition, he will be leading a three-night class at the Guild Shop beginning May 27.

One unique benefit of Guild membership is peer-to-peer learning. Our June 17 program will feature hand cut mortise and tenon joinery, presented by the Guild's own Mac Dressler.

The Programs Committee is seeking volunteers. No ongoing commitment required. Sign up at the May 20th general meeting or email [programs@kcwoodworkersguild.org](mailto:programs@kcwoodworkersguild.org)

Only three program sessions remain unscheduled for 2015. This is a good time to submit your ideas and suggestions to [pro-grams@kcwoodworkersguild.org](mailto:programs@kcwoodworkersguild.org)

We're looking forward to seeing you on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

-Toby Liu, Program Director



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## From The Shop

**T**hank you to all of the volunteers that helped clean up the shop prior to the DeWalt Sales meeting. I really didn't instinctually cop-out of the clean-up. DeWalt changed the date to use the shop. Your efforts cleaning the glue off the floors has made Jack Gregg's floor cleaning and waxing possible. Danny Sanders helped Jack get the process started using the Guild's recently procured floor machines. Thanks, Jack, the floors look GREAT!!

### The Guild just purchased a new Powermatic PM2800B drill press.

The machine is a bit of overkill for a woodworking shop, but its features make it a good choice for the shop. The most attractive feature is a 6" quill travel rather than the 4" travel of most drill presses. The speed can be continuously adjusted when the machine is running and has a digital speed readout above the stop/start switch. The ability to add new and better tools to the shop is the result of our members' participation in fund raising projects.

**In the near future the shop foreman on duty will be wearing a safety vest** to be more readily identified by members using the shop. Many of our new members are not acquainted with each of the shop foreman staff. The foreman wearing the vest will be the "GO TO" person for all shop problems and safety issues.

### Keeping the shop clean and orderly is an ongoing challenge.

Clean the machine or area as you finish with your task. Check the bags on the dust collectors, especially the thickness planer, before using the equipment. If you have run many boards through the planer, then be sure to check the bags before you leave. If they are full or near full, please inform the foreman and help him/her change and empty the bags. Make sure to get the hand tools back in the proper cabinets. Learn how to sharpen the planes and chisels that you use on your projects.

**Glue ups** left on shop tables need to be identified with the member's name, date, and time that the clamps were tightened. The hall outside of the hand tool class room is not a storage area for personal projects. If you are working on your project at the end of an open shop period, and will return the next open shop, you may leave your project on the bench provided that there are no special classes or events between the open shops.

**Eyewear** is required in the shop area during machine operation. This includes "just watching." Members without eyewear will be asked to leave the machine or hand tool areas. No exceptions.

- Erwin Kurtz



## Coming up!

### May Hand Tool SIG: Sunday May 24th, 2:30pm, KCWG Shop

#### Topic- Cutting Lap Joints By Hand with Wayne Peterson

**W**ayne will be showing us some interesting variations on the simple lap joint, including an interesting three-way lap. Please drop in and maybe bring along a few squares, saws, chisels and router planes to try your hand at some of these joinery techniques.

"After learning the ins and outs of rabbets and dados last month – it is only fitting to explore a joint that utilizes some of the same techniques – the Halved joint (or Half-lap joint). We will look at some of the variations of this joint as well as some methods of cutting the joint. As a special treat – we'll show you how to get started on that 6-spoke wheel you've been dying to make for years!!!"

-Rob Young

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## 500 Strong! New Membership Milestone

The Guild has reached a new membership milestone. At 5:22 p.m. on Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, Membership Director George Rexroad notified the Guild that member number 500 had just joined. George said that Trevor Flannigan from Kansas City, Missouri, was the lucky member who brought the Guild across the magic threshold. Trevor joined online by using our PayPal account. Welcome Trevor!

-Dick Kammer, Communications Director



## Safety in The Shop – Safety Attitude is Everything in the Shop

The National Safety Council's Safety Awareness month occurs every year in June. The Kansas City Woodworkers' Guild Safety Committee asks that you to specifically focus on your safety attitude and actions in the shop during the month of June, and each time you enter the Guild shop or your own shop.

You have received advice about safety for years. You have listened to the safety meetings and speakers at the Guild talk about safety, but you may have listened with one ear. Deep down, you may even think, "It won't happen to me because..." Then you heard about an accident by someone who was doing something that you do all the time.

An accident affects everyone –especially you! Aside from the physical pain, emotional shock, inconvenience for you and others, there may be an economic impact to your accident. So, why wait for this story to become reality? A positive attitude toward safety will pay off in countless ways for you. Why wait until you lose something precious before you realize how easy it would have been to avoid the accident? June is the best time to begin to formulate a different attitude toward your own shop safety.

The following elements may help you to formulate your safety attitude:

**Focus** - A good attitude means that you are focused on the present task. In almost every shop accident investigated, lack of focus on the task, lack of concentration on the operation, or a distraction was a major contributor to the cause of the accident.

**Fatigue** - If you are tired, bored, or not up to working in the shop physically or mentally, you should not work in the shop.

**Time** - Another key safe attitude ingredient is taking time to do the job right. Don't take short cuts. The right way may take longer, but saving a few minutes is not worth a painful injury.

**Responsibility** - You have a responsibility to others in the shop and to your family to take care of yourself by doing the job the safe way.

**Risk** - Many times after their accident people say that they have done that operation many times! Sometimes you win and

### Guild History Wanted!

I am requesting all past Presidents of the KCWG to email me with their dates of service. I wish to contact all for interviews. Any member with KCWG historical information is also encouraged to email or call me.

— Ann Creek, KCWG

sometimes you lose, but the thing with risk is that it is a one in a thousand chance. A safe attitude means being smart and avoiding risk taking or reducing the risk exposure whenever you can.

**Strength** - Not muscle strength, but strength and fortitude to do the right thing. Not taking short cuts, such as: using or replacing the guard on the saw, wearing personal protective equipment, or keeping your fingers three inches from the blade.

During the month of June, and every month thereafter, try the safe way when working in your home shop or in the Guild shop. For details on the safe way to use the woodworking equipment, visit the [Safety Section](#) of the Guild web site.

-Chuck Slagle, Safety Director



## Made By Members



-Bill Nagle



-Anthony Harris



-Anthony Harris



-Gal Hobbs



-Chuck Boring



-David Alibright



-Jim McCord



-Harold Haines



**Made By Members, Cont.**



-John Komen



-Rick Bywater



-John Komen



-Russ Amos



-Scott Englemann

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## On-line Safety Test for KCWG Shop “Green Tag”

Today on-line testing is being used to evaluate skills for job openings at every rung of the career ladder from bank teller to executive level. To join this increasing trend, this month the KCWG is entering a new era with the Safety Orientation program, by moving to on-line testing. The requirements to receive a green safety name tag have not changed; just the manner in which the safety test is administered is changing.

In the last few months, a sub-team of the Safety Committee, headed by Jerry Stanley, has been reviewing companies and developing

procedures for this new on-line safety testing program. This new on-line testing program opens up a number of innovative methods to expand our program. We can add video, pictures, and new machine tests for everyone to take faster than we have in the past. According to Chuck Slagle, Director of Safety, This new testing method provides greater access and a better testing experience for our members. In addition we can expand our capabilities to provide video and pictures in the testing environment. I believe that we will be able to enhance our members learning experience.

A [Link](#) to the test will be located on the Guild web site, however, to be able to take the test it will require a password. The participant will be able to log on and off of the test over time, and know the results before arriving at the Safety Orientation. They will be able to receive a print-out of their score, and the questions, if they miss some questions, they bring it to the class.

As it is currently done, incorrect questions will be discussed with each participant to correct to one hundred percent.

— Chuck Slagle

### 2015 SAFETY ORIENTATION CLASS SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Instructor	Test Grader
Sunday, January 18	2:30 pm	Rob Young	Kevin Thomas
Saturday, February 21	2:30 pm	Chuck Slagle	Roland Mohler
Saturday, March 21	2:30 pm	Roland Mohler	Chuck Slagle
<b>Saturday, April 25</b>	<b>2:30 pm</b>	<b>John E. Johnson</b>	<b>Kevin Thomas</b>
Sunday, May 17	2:30 pm	TBA	Erwin Kurtz
Saturday, June 20	2:30 pm	TBA	Jerry Stanley
Saturday, July 18	2:30 pm	John Johnson	Erwin Kurtz
Saturday, August 22	2:30 pm	Roland Mohler	Jerry Stanley
Sunday, September 20	2:30 pm	Mike Jones	Erwin Kurtz
Sunday, October 25	2:30 pm	Mike Jones	Roland Mohler
Saturday, November 21	2:30 pm	Chuck Slagle	Kevin Thomas





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Program: Mastering the Hand-cut Dovetail—Cal Hobbs**

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Have a suggestion for the Guild? Idea for a program, clinic, workshop? Contact us using the emails to the right.



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**"There is only one thing that makes a dream impossible to achieve: the fear of failure."  
— Paulo Coelho**

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