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## Member News

### From the President

In a recent conversation, the discussion was about the great value of training at the Guild. We do bring in nationally recognized instructors like Freddie Roman, Dave Abeel, Ben Hobbs and many others. We also have many first class local instructors who, while they may not be published, are just as accomplished. Some of these craftsmen are not nationally recognized simply because they have spent their time perfecting their craft and not their name. Many of our expert craftsmen impart their knowledge as shop foremen, others through some of our low-cost classes and free skill-builder classes.

Part of the great value of our training program is that we can take classes from an expert without having to take vacation time to go to a different city and spend \$150.00 a night for lodging and food for a week-long class. Please take the opportunity to take advantage of the training that we have here at the Guild.

The April monthly meeting is our annual election of officers. Two of the board members are up for renewal and approximately half of the leadership committee. All current members have agreed to

allow their names stand for a two-year term. The Board and Leadership committee are elected from the membership. This is your Guild. We are here to serve you. If you know of someone that you feel that could help us please feel free to nominate them either through contacting Sharron Pugh, our Secretary, beforehand, or from the floor of the meeting. Of course, be sure to have their consent before nominating them.

Due to the changes of the bylaws to comply with state law, Board members are elected and then the Board meets to elect the officers of the Board. The two slots that are open this year are Gary Mielke's and Sharron Pugh's. They have filled the positions of Treasurer and Secretary, respectively. It is the intention of the Board that whoever is elected to these slots would fill those positions of the Board.

-Roland Mohler, President



### Newsletter Changes

The Newsletter is changing. Thanks to some much appreciated Member input, the news, some new and exciting changes are coming to the Newsletter. Some of the changes are technical and will go unnoticed, while others are substantive and aim to highlight the skills and successes of our Members.

If you have any suggestions for how we may further improve the Newsletter please don't hesitate to

email me at [Newsletter@kcwoodworkersguild.org](mailto:Newsletter@kcwoodworkersguild.org).

All suggestions are appreciated.

Happy Woodworking!

-Brandon Mason, Editor



## From the Shop

**"24/7/365"** Who would have thought of that phrase as a limitation? Cooperation and consideration are the keys to survival as the shop gets busier. We are using the shop more and having more members use the shop, and this is good, but we have not been able to add any more hours to the day or days to the week. Everything is happening at the same time. Open Shop is being used by more members, Rough-to-Ready is growing in popularity, Dave Kraatz and Norm Carpenter are shoe-horning in more training opportunities, and then there are the Guild projects. To quote Rodney King "Can't we all just get along?" Yes, we can if we remember to respect the others in the shop and consider how our actions help the others working in the shop.

Having classes during Open Shop may require that areas of the shop are reserved for class use only. Guild projects may require exclusive use of a machine for the whole day. Use of the widebelt sander restricts the use of the other sanding machinery. These are all situations where we can work together and with a little patience and understanding everyone can get their work done, but it may require some compromise.

We can all minimize these conflicts by following some simple guidelines.

If you are not in the class, stay out of the class. No matter how won-

derful the comment you have to make it still interrupts and derails the instructors lesson plan. If the area is reserved for the class please respect that reservation even if the tool you want to use is not being used.

Be aware of your surroundings, loud noise disrupts class instruction, so if you can avoid or diminish your sound level that can help.

Ask project leaders if you can squeeze in to use machines that the project is using heavily. Usually accommodations can be made, but sometimes the setting must be maintained and cannot be changed.

Don't leave your project out when you leave. Leaving projects under clamps is ok if you are leaving at the end of open shop and returning at the beginning of the next shop session provided nothing else is going on. Otherwise you need to store your project in storage space in the back if available. If no space is available, then you need to take it home with you. Finding an out of the way corner is not the solution.

We are experiencing growing pains but nothing that we cannot overcome.

-Chuck Saunders, Assets Director



## First Quarter Financial Outlook

**T**he first quarter of 2017 is behind us and there is every indication that the Guild will have another successful year financially. The number of members renewing their membership was above expectation and we had three completed fund raising projects. That took a lot of volunteer hours for Wayne Peterson and those that helped with membership. We also had a great response for help with the Turf fund raising projects. We especially need the thank Ron Lomax and Jerry Thompson for stepping up and ensuring the projects were completed successfully.

The Guild also started on the planned improvements for the shop with

the purchase of new dust collection equipment and a new band saw.

The Guild continues to be in great shape financially and we will be able to meet all anticipated financial obligations.

The monthly cash flow reports are available in the Members Only area of the web site in the Financial section. Please look at the reports and let me know if there are any questions.

-Gary Mielke, Treasurer



## New Media Presentation Volunteer!

**F**or those of you who attend the monthly general meetings (and you should; they are very interesting and informative!), you are about to see them become much more professional looking. Chris McCauley has enthusiastically volunteered to run the Audio-Visual equipment for the meetings. Chris has lots of ideas for improving the presentations.



This month, look at the monitors before and during the meeting to see the improvements he has made.

Chris, thanks for your service to the Guild!

-Roger Bartlett, Vice President



## April Training Report

The winter is done and we can all look forward to spring cleaning, lawn mowing, and other warmer activities to get in the way of woodworking. I hope that you will not neglect your work bench, tools, and our full slate of training classes during the warm weather.

We just completed the first **Basic Woodworking** class of 2017 and prepared twelve woodworkers to tackle their next more advanced projects. The Instructor team of Roland Mohler, Norm Carpenter, Jack Gregg, Jerry Thompson, Wes Meyer, Geoff Cook, Brent Murphy, Richard DeWitt, Bill Lintner, and Tim Locke did an outstanding job of manning the class and shop floor to keep everyone on track with their projects.

**Band saw box master**, George Rexroad, has been busy conducting multiple very successful classes. In George's case, success has netted him the honor of being asked to conduct several additional classes.

The **Windsor Chair** class with David Abeel will kick off on April 24. There is still an opportunity to get into this class and try your hand at

making a stool, side chair, arm chair or rocking chair. Consult the training section of the website for details on the class.

**There are changes coming** to the Basic Woodworking class. In past classes, there was no green card requirement and the first class session was a safety orientation. Our experience in the class has been that roughly half or more enrollees already have their green card. In order to spend the maximum amount of time on the shop floor during the class, we are changing to green card required.

To facilitate this change **we are holding a class-member only safety orientation** one hour prior to the beginning of each new class. To facilitate this, each student must have completed their safety test online and bring his/her answer sheet to the orientation.

-David Kraatz, Training Director



## 2017 Membership Update



With all the renewals and new members counted – we now have a total membership of just over 681 so far in 2017.

We will be reorganizing the membership tag wall in the next few weeks. The reorganization will be completed by the General meeting this month. This means everyone will have a new name tag spot

on the wall. Get to the meeting a little early so you have plenty of time to locate your name tag!!

-Wayne Peterson, Membership Director



## Library Nook



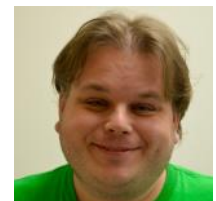
Greetings from the room with all the books and videos! The month of April finds us looking at the completion of one project and starting another! We're wrapping up the conversation from one library system and going live with a new system. We'll be showing it off at the general meeting as well as being available during the week-ends and via email ([library@kcwoodworkersguild.org](mailto:library@kcwoodworkersguild.org)) for questions on how to use it. It'll be linked from the website and take you to <https://www.librarycat.org/lib/KCWWGLibrary>. If you want to poke around the site before the announcement, feel free and please mind the dust as we're still working on a few things. Part of this upgrade will be to get everyone registered in the system that is a member as of April 1st.

The library will be making sawdust the last weekend in April - making two new bookcases. If you'd like to help for an hour or day, drop me an email and swing on by Saturday April 29th and Sunday April 30th. No experience is needed but green cards are! (So, remember your safety glasses as well).

If you've gotten this far in the newsletter, here's a reward for your reading! For the April meeting, we're going to be doing a bit of **Spring Cleaning** and reducing the prices on the magazines for sale for this meeting only - at the low price of 10 magazines for a dollar. (Donations have been outstanding but now we need the room!)

One last note, if you've had library books checked out for a few months and are done with them, please return them so other members get the chance to enjoy them. Please also consider sharing what you've read and write up a one or two paragraph blurb for the next newsletter. (email that to [Communications@kcwoodworkersguild.org](mailto:Communications@kcwoodworkersguild.org)) Only you can help add content to this monthly publication!

-Andrew Carr, Librarian



## The Guild Has Made CNC Easier

**V**ectric has always provided their products (Aspire, VCarve Pro) for free download in order to evaluate their product. The only limitation has been that you cannot save the toolpaths you create in order to run the **CNC router**. This has meant that while you can play with the software at home to actually make something, you would need to come into the shop and use the computer attached to the CNC Router and recreate your project. Heaven help you if someone else was already working on their project, not to mention the stares from those that got there after you. Well, good news. Vectric has recognized this issue that plagues the Makerspaces and has created a solution. **VCarve Pro Makerspace Edition. *The Guild has subscribed and installed this software at the shop.***

Here's how it works:

Download and Install VCarve Pro trial edition 8.5 from their website ([www.vectric.com](http://www.vectric.com)). Select Trial Software from the Downloads Tab,

I'll wait....

Ok, under Help, click About VCarve Pro

There is a button to add Makerspace ID and here it is:

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Type or copy/paste into the box and restart.

Now you're ready to create something!

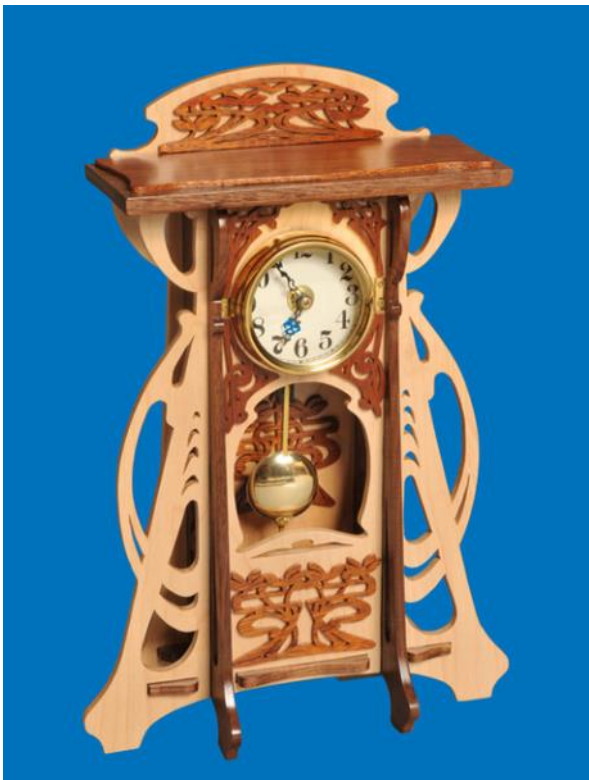
When you have finished creating your project, save it to a thumb drive and come to the Guild. Load your file onto the computer in the Library and, using the copy of VCarvePro on that machine, you can create the toolpaths that you then copy and put on the computer on the CNC. You have to make your toolpaths on the library computer as it has the correct version. Your VCarve file will not work on the CNC Router computer.

Enjoy.

-Chuck Saunders, Assets Director



## Made By Members



### **Glascow Clock**

*Walnut, Maple, Mahogeny. Finished with clear acrylic.*

-Bill Kuhlman

**All Photos**

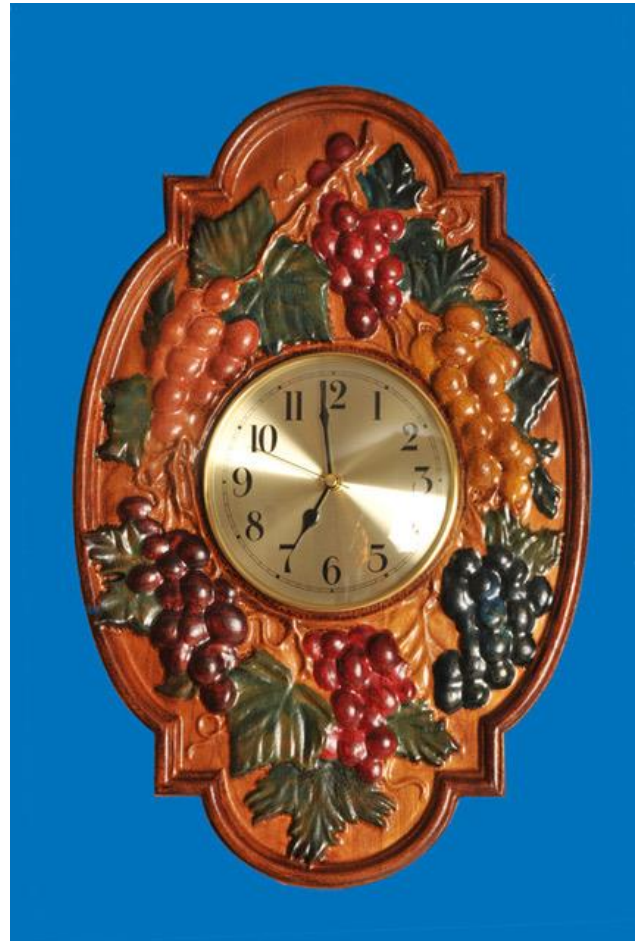
**Courtesy Neal Ray Shoger**

## Made By Members, Cont..

### **Tuscan Clock**

*Cherry. Finished with Minwax Providential.*

-Bob & Jerri Detwiler



**All Photos**

**Courtesy Neal Ray Shoger**



### **Box**

*Sycamore. Finished with lacquer.*

-Dave Clark

## Made By Members, Cont..



### **Bandsaw Box**

(First Bandsaw Project)

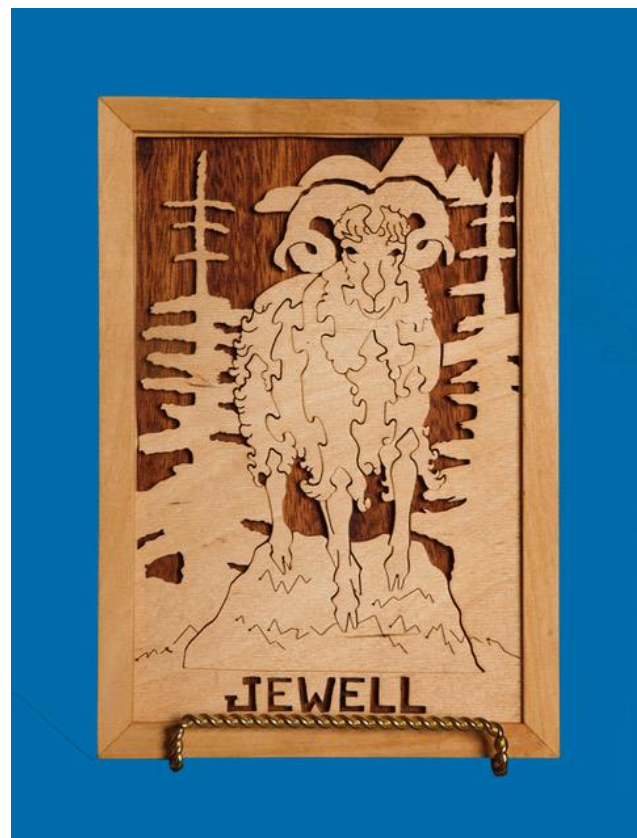
*Bubing and Poplar. Finished with shellac and polish.*

-Harry Midgley

### **Jigsaw Puzzle Fret Work**

*Material unknown. Finished with danish oil.*

-John Tegeler



**All Photos  
Courtesy Neal Ray Shoger**

## Made By Members, Cont..



### **Eagle**

*Tupelo and walnut. Finished with oil paint.*

-Joseph Greisen



### **Match Box**

(1952 Stanley Plans)

*Poplar. Finished with dye, shellac, and wax.*

-Rob Young

## Made By Members, Cont..



### **Carved Box**

*Quarter sawn white oak, Honduran mahogany, ebony, and ivory. Finished with shellac and wax.*

-Mac Dressler

### **Radio Cabinet Base**

*Walnut. Finished with paint and gilding.*

-Mac Dressler





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## April Open Shop Schedule

*KCWG Open Shop Schedule for April 2017*

Hour Beginning	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1 Sat, Apr 01	Mike Jones							George Raxroad					
"						Skill Builder							
1 Sun, Apr 02		Chuck Saunders					Power Tool SIG						
1 Hour Beginning	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1 Mon, Apr 03						Ron Haw				Gary Strohm			
1 Tue, Apr 04	Jerry Thompson			Craig Arnold							Kara Paris		
1 Wed, Apr 05	Roger Bartlett										Leadership Comm		
1 Thu, Apr 06	Gary Mielke										Basic Woodworking		
1 Fri, Apr 07										David Kraatz			
2 Sat, Apr 08	David Kraatz				Norm Carpenter								
2 Sun, Apr 09		Rob Young						Mark Waugh					
2 Hour Beginning	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2 Mon, Apr 10					Ron Haw						Wood Turners		
2 Tue, Apr 11	Jerry Thompson			Ron Lomax			Craig Arnold			Roland Mohler			
2 Wed, Apr 12	Bob Caldwell										Scroll Saw SIG		
2 Thu, Apr 13	Gary Mielke										Basic Woodworking		
2 Fri, Apr 14										Andrew Carr			
3 Sat, Apr 15	Bill Linber							George Raxroad					
"		Scroll Saw Class											
3 Sun, Apr 16		Chuck Saunders											
3 Hour Beginning	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
3 Mon, Apr 17						Ron Haw				Gary Strohm			
3 Tue, Apr 18	Jerry Thompson			Craig Arnold							Safety Committee		
3 Wed, Apr 19	Roger Bartlett										General Meeting		
3 Thu, Apr 20	Gary Mielke										Basic Woodworking		
3 Fri, Apr 21										David Kraatz			
4 Sat, Apr 22	David Kraatz												
"		Bandsaw Puzzle Box class											
4 Sun, Apr 23		Rob Young					Hand Tool SIG	Wayne Peterson					
4 Hour Beginning	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
4 Mon, Apr 24						Ron Haw					David Abeel Special		
"		Windsor Chair Classes											
4 Tue, Apr 25	Jerry Thompson			Ron Lomax			Craig Arnold			Roland Mohler			
"		Windsor Chair Class									Wood Carvers SIG		
4 Wed, Apr 26	Bob Caldwell									Kevin Thomas			
"		Windsor Chair Class									CNC SIG - 6:30		
4 Thu, Apr 27	Gary Mielke										Basic Woodworking		
"		Windsor Chair Class											
4 Fri, Apr 28		Windsor Chair Class								Brad Swaters			
5 Sat, Apr 29	Mike Jones												
5 Sun, Apr 30		Rob Young						Safety Orientation					

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1 Wed, May 03	Roger Bartlett										Leadership Committee		
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1 Fri, May 05										Andrew Carr			
1 Sat, May 06	Mike Jones							George Rexroad					
1 Sun, May 07		Chuck Saunders				Skill Builder							
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2 Mon, May 08					Ron Haw						Wood Turners		
2 Tue, May 09	Jerry Thompson			Ron Lomax		Craig Arnold				Roland Mohler			
2 Wed, May 10	Bob Caldwell										Scroll Saw SIG		
2 Thu, May 11	Gary Mielka										Basic Woodworking		
2 Fri, May 12										David Kraatz			
2 Sat, May 13	No Open Shop - Woodturners Special Program												
2 Sun, May 14		Rob Young						Mayk Waugh					
3 Hour Beginning	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
3 Mon, May 15						Ron Haw				Gary Strohm			
3 Tue, May 16	Jerry Thompson			Craig Arnold									
3 Wed, May 17	Roger Bartlett										General Meeting		
3 Thu, May 18	Gary Mielka										Basic Woodworking		
3 Fri, May 19										Brad Swaters			
3 Sat, May 20	Bill Lintner							George Rexroad					
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4 Thu, May 25	Gary Mielka										CNC SIG - 6:30		
4 Fri, May 26										David Kraatz			
4 Sat, May 27	David Kraatz												
4 Sun, May 28		Rob Young				Hand Tool SIG	Wayne Peterson						
5 Hour Beginning	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
5 Mon, May 29													
5 Tue, May 30	Jerry Thompson			Ron Lomax		Craig Arnold				Roland Mohler			
5 Wed, May 31											Wood Carvers SIG		



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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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