

Kansas City Woodworkers' Guild

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Member News

From the President

At the April meeting of the Kansas City Woodworkers' Guild, it was my unfortunate duty to inform the membership present that the Guild has been named in a law suit. This is over matters that the Board believed were taken care of about a year ago. The Board will keep the membership informed as we can.

The weekend of June 22-25 will be a very busy weekend for the Guild. First, we have our annual Makers Fair show. Last year we gave out over 500 of the famous Dave Kraatz toy trucks. We ran out of these trucks on Saturday. This year we are going to try to give out 1000. There are still a few slots open on Saturday, May 20th, for helpers to prepare toy parts for this event. Read the description and Sign-Up [HERE](#)

We also have been invited by the Wood Turners to participate with a booth at the AAW International Symposium that is in Kansas City that weekend. This symposium is not just for wood turners. It also has some presentations for furniture making. We will need more items than usual to display because we have two places to be at the same time. We also will need volunteers to man both booths. The turners informed us that they will need up to 60 people to assist with this major show. These are great opportunities for us to get our name out and bring others to the joys of woodworking.

-Roland Mahler, President



Summer Events

About 9 months ago, I put my first board on bed of the jointer, and my woodworking passion was born. Up to that point, I had only watched 'the guy' on TV and his woodworking show. You know...the one with a funny New England accent, No, not Tim Allen... Norm Abrams! My brother, sister and I spent many summers watching in amazement as he miraculously put together all sorts of furniture pieces. When the opportunity came up for me to help, I decided that, because I enjoy what the KCWG has to offer, I would like to help perpetuate what we do.

There are some upcoming events that I want to make you aware of, and ask you to consider giving back some of your time to the Guild. In June, there will be two events (Maker Faire 2017 and Wood Turners Symposium 2017) where we will have a booth to showcase some of your woodworking pieces and to expose what 'the Guild' is to the public. The Maker

Faire people have already expressed to me how much the guild's booth is the highlight of the show. Keep your eyes peeled for your chance to help out. I'll send out a SignUp as the date gets closer. We'll need folks to help build toys (which we currently plan to do in May), people to 'man the booth', and help setting up and tearing down. Many hands make light work, and the camaraderie is fun and rewarding!

Lastly, if you have an idea - whether it is a social or educational event for the Guild members - please feel free to contact me [here](#).

-Alex Scott, Events Director



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Chair Class—A Big Hit

“He has given me the confidence.”

The class is over and the consensus is in: The Kansas City Woodworkers’ Guild has a facility that not only accommodates high-powered instructors, but also a membership that lures them back.

During the week of April 24-28, the Guild hosted chairmaker David Abeel as he taught over a dozen members to make a variety of Windsor style chairs. Participants had a choice of the types of chair they would be making, a stool, chair, armchair, rocker, or settee. Woodworker Plus member John Meinders explained that the Windsor style is a chair with the seat being the sole source of support. All legs and splines that make up the back are through the seat.



David Abeel

Senior member Alan McClure said that “building something like a Windsor chair is as much art as science, and David has a perfect balance of that sensitivity. He helped us understand that angles and numbering parts is essential to a successful chair project, while encouraging us to craft a chair that fits our personal taste in a finished product.”

Training Director Abeel “rolled up on the seats were predrilled as the legs splines and participants had to learn tools as the projects hand. Meinders commented. “It is the tool used sharpened piece of



Stack o’Seats

David Kraatz said that 23rd ready to go.” The and roughed out as well arm rest. But the par-new techniques and old were all finished by mented on the travish- in the 1700’s that is a steel held in place in a steel held in place in a very labor intensive.” WW+ member Barb Hinton said “the most valuable part of the experience was being able to try out a variety of new tools and see how well they worked or didn’t work for me.”



Travishing

Members learned the difference between steaming or boiling wood to shape the curved comb for the top of the back of the chair. Boiling is preferred by David as he believes it to be more uniform, that is, it heats the length of wood evenly.

They learned how to wedge the legs to hold them into the seat. You drive the wedge with a steel hammer until there is a unique solid sound.



Hands Shaping

While the wood, tools, and techniques were the focus of the class, it was clear from participant comments that it was the quality of the instruction that made the class worthwhile.

WW+ member Bill Flohrs commented, “At first, I thought that the chair building class was going to be too difficult for me, but David could help all levels of people that were taking the class. When someone fell behind, he came over and helped get them back on track. If I needed help, he showed me how to do things. He was very good at showing, then saying “now you do it”. ”

Hinton elaborated: “He was able to give instruction and tips without taking over or making me feel I was doing it wrong.”

McClure seemed to sum up for his classmates “I often find that expert craftsmen are, unfortunately, poor teachers. David certainly does not suffer that polarity. He knows his stuff, and is an excellent instructor.”



A Fitting Group

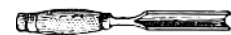
Flohrs did likewise, saying, “I wish that the Guild could offer more of these types of classes (I know they already offer a ton of classes) because it was fun to learn and work with other woodworkers.”

A key to the success of any good class was expressed by Sharon Pugh, who said the class “has given me the confidence to make another chair by myself.”

Kraatz had secured Abeel for the class several months ago, particularly because of Abeel’s dedication to making sure that everyone is successful. He pointed out that Abeel “can work with the beginning student as well as the advanced one and they will be successful in making the project.”

And with a pleased smile, Kraatz said, “He wants to come back.”

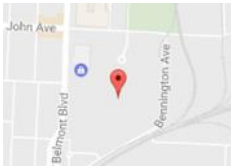
-Dick Kammer, Communications Director



Please Welcome a New Sponsor: *Frank Paxton Lumber Company!*

Paxton has reopened the Woodcrafter's Store at their long-time location of 6311 St John Ave, Kansas City, Mo. in Northeast Kansas City.

Blaine Sterrett is General Manager for Paxton's Kansas City branch. Cory Childs is the Retail Sales Manager for the Woodcrafter's Store. They are offering a 15-percent discount for Guild member's first visit and 10 percent thereafter. Just show your membership card; if you don't have your card, stop by the Guild to pick it up.



Cory is looking for input for what exotic lumbers and sheet goods to

stock. If you cannot find it, ask him to stock it for you.

Please welcome and thank Blaine and Cory for becoming Guild sponsors.

<http://www.paxtonwood.com/KansasCity.aspx>

-Craig Arnold, Sponsorship Director



Woodturning Symposium

Local Symposium Liaison Shaun McMahon appeared before the Guild's Leadership Conference on Wednesday, May 3rd to encourage the Guild and its members to assist with and participate in the upcoming Woodturners' Symposium in June. Members of the conference were very impressed with Shaun's comments and are encouraging anyone interested in participating to contact Shaun for more information. Events Director Alex Scott will also be offering opportunities in regard to the Symposium, so keep an eye on your Guild emails. Below is a summary of the event.

The American Association of Woodturners (AAW) - the parent organization of the Kansas City Woodturners - is holding its International Symposium at Bartle Hall in Kansas City, June 22-25.

The Furniture people at the show:

Scott Grove: (1) Alternative Inlay and Embellishment

(2) Cold Metal Casting and Reproduction for Embellishment

Mark Sfirri: Turning in Furniture

Bart Niswonger: Four-axis Computer Controlled Routing Winkle

LeCoff Sayfan: Venn Diagrams

The AAW has offered the Guild a free booth (10x10) in the vendor area for whatever they want to put in the booth and however they want to use it.

What you can do:

1. Attend the Symposium - Early bird registration is still going on \$325.00 for Thursday evening and F-Sun - Can register at www.woodturner.org. Non-members of the AAW can attend but the

cost will be a little higher.

There is also a furniture area in the Instant Gallery so those registering for the Symposium could bring some (3) items to show or sell.

2. Participate in the Bowls For Kids and Beads of Courage. If there are members who want to participate in these two events but are not going to be attending the symposium, we will gladly take their items to the symposium, but the boxes and bowls need to be in the clubhouse by June 16th.
3. Volunteer to help in your booth and also as Vendor Ambassadors. We need about 60 Vendor Ambassadors - to help all the vendors in the vendor area with whatever they need to get something to eat (no selling), clean area, move some stuff, etc.
4. Help to put together the vendor bags.
5. Sell some raffle tickets - A Powermatic 3520B lathe is the first prize and a Jet mini is the second prize. You have a 1/400 chance of winning if you only buy one ticket. This is a whole lot better than most raffles.

Questions?

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And We Will All Be Safe Together!

If the title of this article sounds familiar, it's because I borrowed its essence from the lyrics of Billy Joel's *Goodnight Saigon*. That song, from *The Nylon Curtain* album, always gives me chills when I listen to it. Very powerful.

Anyway, as Director of Safety, I have often heard from those of you who have Green Cards and do woodworking in the Guild Shop that so-and-so is performing that machine operation unsafely. You'll say something like, "That table saw blade is way too high," or, "His thumb is getting within a half-inch of the teeth on that band saw blade on every cut." But you hesitate to say anything to the person for fear of appearing overbearing or overtly critical. Or you think that other guy is a more experienced woodworker than you are, so they are beyond reproach. What? Tell them! Don't hesitate! Don't wait until it's too late! If you don't correct the situation, you could regret it forever, if that person were to injure themselves as a result of doing something unsafely. Obviously, don't do it while they're in

the midst of a cut or pass on the machine, but immediately thereafter.

One of the tremendous strengths of the Guild is that we are a Community of Support. Support from a technical, social, psychological and, of course, safety perspective. We do, and we need to, continue to help each other out. No pun intended, but sometimes we can't see the forest for the trees, but someone watching from a distance may save our butt...or our finger...or our eyes.

And don't forget that helping to keep each other safe also involves each of us leaving every machine we use clean for the next person.

-John Sloss, Safety Director



From the Shop

The Guild is a volunteer organization which means that no one is obligated beyond their word to do anything. Everyone serves because they said they would. Every member pays their dues regardless of whether they hold a position or not. I would like to take time to thank those members that make my job enjoyable. I want to thank our members that serve as our Shop Foremen.

These men and women commit to making themselves available for their Open Shop session every month. A Shop Foreman commits to hold Open Shop at least once a month for a minimum 3-hour session, same time every month. That consistency is what makes having Open Shop worthwhile to the members knowing when they can plan on their "Time in the Shop". And some of our Foremen commit to 4-6 hours every week. As

many foremen find out, holding Open Shop is not the same as going into the shop for a few hours. Yes, they are able to work on their own work while they are there; it is not uncommon to have the net result of the day is getting your wood out and putting it back up. You tend to stay busy running the shop. And they still volunteer, because they want to. If it were not for these members, Open Shop would not exist. I thank them for their willingness to help the Guild.

See their cheery faces [HERE](#).

-Chuck Saunders, Assets Director



Library Nook

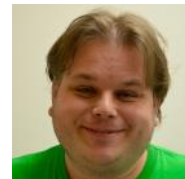
It's been an exciting month in the library. We helped out with replacing the name tag wall with new name tags. It was great walking in for the general meeting and seeing all of the name tags organized. We also started the build of three new bookcases. The major casework was finished over a weekend with only a few casework tasks left. Many thanks to everyone that pitched in over the long weekend. With luck, they'll be finished and in place in early June.

My apologies for not getting the new library system guide emailed and

posted. I've held off from switching until that guide can get polished and sent out to everyone.

As always, the library is always open during open shop so feel free to stop on by.

-Andrew Carr, Librarian



Made By Members



Spatulas for Mother's Day

Mahogany. Finished with mineral oil.

Carved with jack plane and spoke haves shown.

-Aidan Cornwell, Age 9.

All Photos

Courtesy Neal Ray Shoger

Bowl

Pin oak. Finished with Watco Danish Oil.

-Anthony Harris

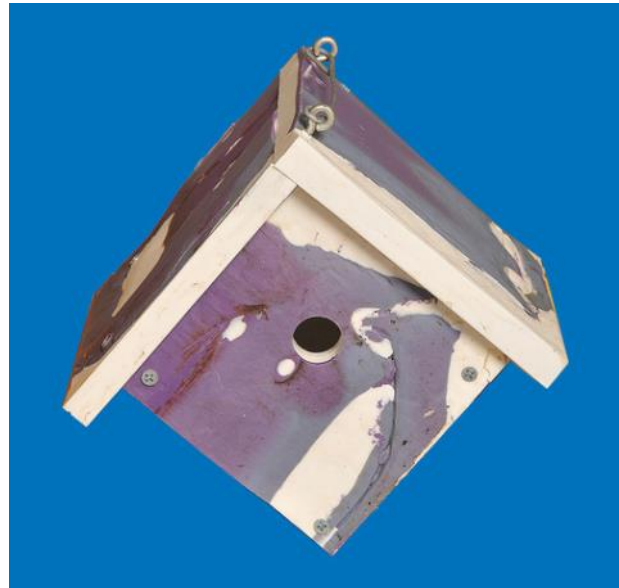


Made By Members, Cont..

Bird House

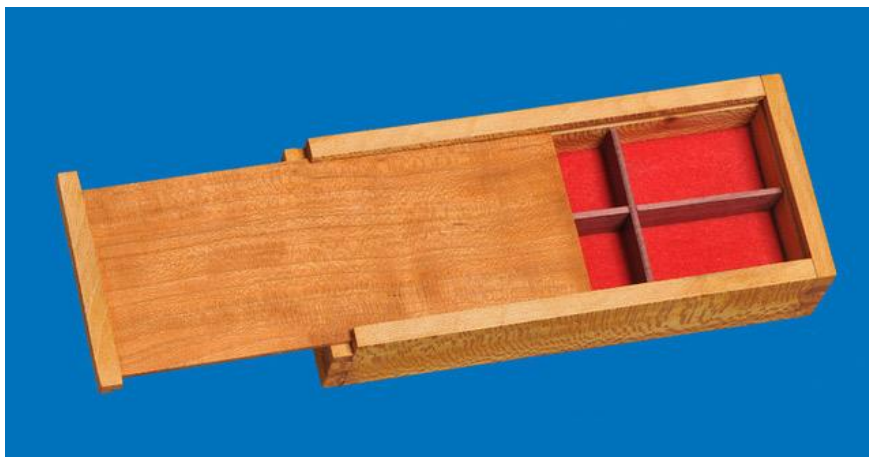
Unknown. Finished with high density polyurethane.

-Arnold Baker



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Jewelry Box

*Quartersawn cherry., sycamore, purpleheart.
Finished with shellac, wax.*

-Ken Grainger

Made By Members, Cont..



Walking Stick

Pine Bough with natural blister. Finished with tung oil.

-Bill Rivett

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Walking Stick

Diamond willow. Finished with natural paste wax.

-Don Allen



Made By Members, Cont..



Adirondack Chair

Cedar.

-Bruce Gordon



Address Plaque

Pine, English chestnut. Finished with stain, black paint.

-Bob & Jerri Detwiler



Coffee Table

Walnut.. Finished with polish.

-Elias Nyakpor

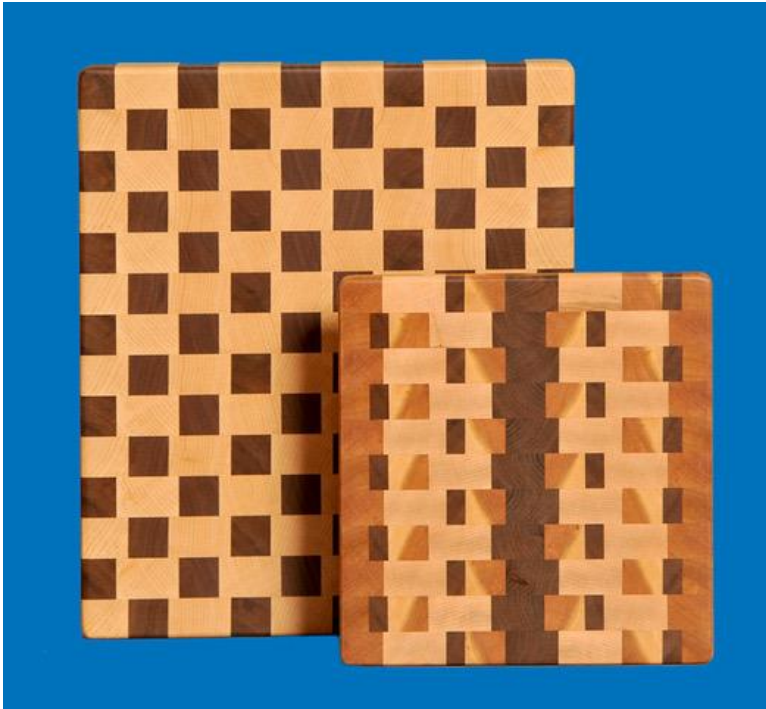
Spice Box

(She said "Yes")

White oak, holly. Finished by fuming, Danish Oil.

-Tom Brandt





Cutting & Cheese Boards

Maple, walnut / maple, walnut, cherry. Finished with salad bowl finish.

-Rod Hansen

Taboret Table

Cherry. Finished with dye, shellac.

-Rob Young





Bedside Table

Red oak. Finished with wipe-on polyurethane.

-Russ Amos

Table Pedestal & Leg

Mahogany, ebony, holly.

-Les Hastings





Live Edge Table

Eastern Red Cedar. Finished with spar varithane.

-Bobby Libby

Marquetry & Frame

Beeswing, Eucalyptus, Purpleheart, Burl, Poplar, Cherry, Walnut. Finished with shellac, oil.

-James Childress





Folding Chair

Red oak. Finished with varathane.

-J.R. Meinders

Puchard Box

Poplar, Baltic. Finished with shellac, urethane.

-Larry Welling





**Whimsical Cobbler's
Hammer Handle**

Plum. Finished with Watco oil.

-William Johnston

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May Open Shop Schedule

KCWG Open Shop Schedule for May 2017

Hour Beginning	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1 Mon, May 01						Ron Haw				Gary Strohm			
1 Tue, May 02	Jerry Thompson			Craig Arnold							Kara Paris		
1 Wed, May 03	Roger Bartlett										Leadership Committee		
1 Thu, May 04	Gary Mielke										Basic Woodworking		
1 Fri, May 05										Andrew Carr			
1 Sat, May 06	Mike Jones						Skill Builder		George Rexroad				
1 Sun, May 07		Chuck Saunders						Power Tool SIG					
2 Hour Beginning	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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 Mielke										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 Mielke										Basic Woodworking		
3 Fri, May 19										Brad Swaters			
3 Sat, May 20	Bill Lintner								George Rexroad				
3 Sun, May 21		Chuck Saunders											
4 Hour Beginning	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
4 Mon, May 22						Ron Haw							
4 Tue, May 23	Jerry Thompson			Ron Lomax			Craig Arnold			Roland Mohler			
4 Wed, May 24	Bob Caldwell									Kevin Thomas			
4 Thu, May 25	Gary Mielke										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		

June (Tentative) Open Shop Schedule

Tentative KCWG Open Shop Schedule for June 2017

Hour Beginning	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
1	Thu, June 01	No Open Shop DeWalt Corporate Program, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.									Basic Woodworking Build a Hall Table - 6:30 - 10:30			
1	Fri, June 02	No Open Shop DeWalt Corporate Program, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.									Andrew Carr			
1	Sat, June 03	Mike Jones							George Rowood					
1	Sun, June 04		Check Saunders					Power Tool SIG						
1	Hour Beginning	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	Mon, June 05						Ron Haw			Gary Strohn				
1	Tue, June 06	Jerry Thompson			Craig Arnold						Kara Parls			
1	Wed, June 07	Roger Barfelt									LC Committee			
2	Thu, June 08	Gary Walle									Basic Woodworking Build a Hall Table - 6:30 - 10:30			
2	Fri, June 09									David Kraatz				
2	Sat, June 10	David Kraatz			Noel Carpenter									
2	Sun, June 11	Rob Young						Mark Wengh						
2	Hour Beginning	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2	Mon, June 12					Ron Haw					Wood Turners			
2		Introduction to Intarsia												
2	Tue, June 13	Jerry Thompson			Ron Lomas			Craig Arnold			Roland Wohler			
2		Introduction to Intarsia									Safety Committee			
2	Wed, June 14	Bob Caldwell									Scroll Saw SIG			
2		Introduction to Intarsia												
3	Thu, June 15	Gary Walle									Build a Hall Table - 6:30 - 10:30			
3		Introduction to Intarsia												
3	Fri, June 16									Brad Swiders				
3	Sat, June 17	Bill Linner						Safety Orientation		George Rowood				
3		Scroll Saw Class						No Open Shop						
3	Sun, June 18	Chuck Saunders												
3	Hour Beginning	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
3	Mon, June 19						Ron Haw			Gary Strohn				
3											Precision Box Const - 6:30 - 9:30			
3	Tue, June 20	Jerry Thompson			Craig Arnold									
3	Wed, June 21	Roger Barfelt									General Meeting			
4	Thu, June 22	Gary Walle									Build a Hall Table - 6:30 - 10:30			
4											Traditional Bandaw Boxes			
4	Fri, June 23										David Kraatz			
4											Traditional Bandaw Boxes			
4	Sat, June 24	David Kraatz												
4	Sun, June 25	Rob Young					Hand Tool SIG		Wayne Peterson					
4	Hour Beginning	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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4	Tue, June 27	Jerry Thompson			Ron Lomas			Craig Arnold			Roland Wohler			
4											Wood Carvers SIG			
4	Wed, June 28	Bob Caldwell									Kevin Thomas			
4											CNC SIG - 6:30			
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5	Fri, June 30									Andrew Carr				



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— Paulo Coelho**