

WOOD WORDS

"HOBBS"ERVATIONS - PRESIDENT'S THOUGHTS AND COMMENTS

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40 years. 40 years! You all should give yourselves a hand! 40 years for the Guild is an amazing accomplishment. I joined the Guild in 2007, so I am at 17 years (and counting). In my time I have seen us develop from the basement of Jacob's Well church in Westport, to the location in Merriam, when we first started a shop, to the Mercier location that served us so well, to our new outstanding spot in the Crossroads. I'd love to hear your stories about your time, whether you are old-timers or newbies, great to share this Guild with you all.



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40TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY INVITATION



You are invited to the:
Kansas City Woodworkers' Guild's
40th Anniversary Party

Saturday October 5th
12:00 - 7:00

Open Shop Tours & Craft Sale 12:00 - 2:00

Skill Builder Line and Berry Inlay
by Cal Hobbes 2:00 - 4:00

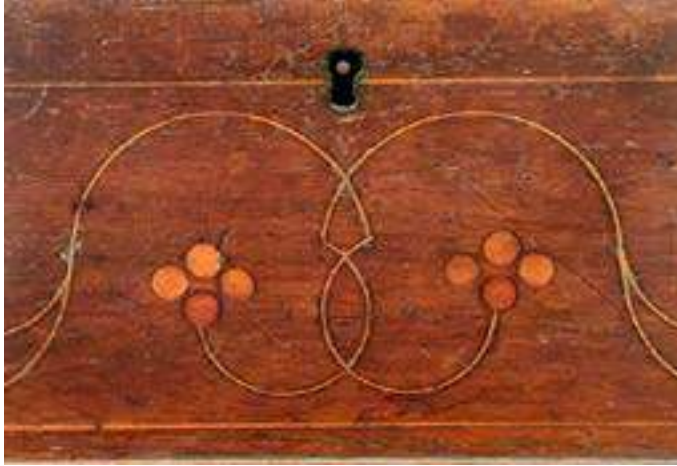
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So our yearly open house on October 5 has a little bit more to celebrate this year. Bring your families and friends, maybe a few might be interested in joining (always have my KCWG evangelist hat on). I am tasked with the skill builder, which is on line-and-berry inlay. Should be fun!



What is line-and-berry inlay you might ask? Well, briefly, it's an historic method of furniture decoration that was used mostly in the 2nd half of the 18th century. It typically involves creating patterns of grooves, using a compass, and inlaying them in a contrasting wood (lines). At the end of these lines, there were often round plugs of colorful woods that were called berries. If you are at all interested, come on out!

Well that's all for now, looking forward to seeing you all at the next membership meeting this Wednesday, and on October 5.

Cal Hobbs
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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Oct 4th 5p-9p: First Friday (last one of year)

Oct 5th 12p-7p: KCWG's 40th Anniversary Party

Nov 7 (time TBA): Guild Night @ Lie-Nielsen Hand Tool Event

Nov 8-9: Lie-Nielsen Hand Tool Event (open to public)

Nov 23-24: Santa's Workshop

Dec 18: KCWG's Holiday Party

More information and details will be going out as we get closer to each event so check your emails, newsletter and social media



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IN PRAISE OF THE SHOP FOREMAN

Over the past few months, members of the Guild's Safety Committee have engaged in several earnest discussions regarding the application of safety rules and safety-related best practices. Many of these discussions often seem to come back around to the critical role of the Shop Foreman when it comes to modeling and leading safe work practices and safe behaviors during Open Shop hours. As a member of the Kansas City Woodworkers' Guild, my experience has been overwhelmingly positive when it comes to my interaction with Shop Foremen. I rely heavily on them when I am working in the Shop. To a person, Shop Foremen I have met have



been supportive and enabling, knowledgeable, and always ready to help me be successful in my project work, but also help me work safely as I operate various woodworking machinery and power tools. I appreciate every one of the Shop Foremen I have worked with.

Since Shop Foreman's role is so critical to safety, I thought it would be worthwhile to spend a little time summarizing the highlights of their safety-related roles. What follows below

is a brief description, in my own words, of the key safety roles of the Shop Foreman:

Sharing and Modeling Safety Guidance

If I am not familiar with how to operate a power tool, I will always connect with the on-duty Shop Foreman to explain what I plan to do with the machine or power tool and to ask for advice on how to set up a particular machine for the needed

operations. Since proper power tool set up and proper operation of power tool has direct impact on my safety, I always ask the Shop Foreman for guidance and direction when I haven't used the machine for a long time or I have never used the tool before. In addition, I have found that Shop Foremen are more than willing to point out the hazards associated with power tools and to share safety precautions and valuable safety-related tips.

The Final Word on Safety Rules

On a day-to-day basis, Shop Foremen are the one consistent safety presence on site when the shop is open. As Director of Safety for the Guild, I realize that I cannot always be on site to observe work others are performing or intervene if I observe a hazard or at-risk behavior. The same goes for the other members of the Safety Committee. The on-duty Shop Foreman is our ever-present "eyes" and "ears" when it comes to representing safety. And they are the final, authoritative word when it comes to complying with safety rules and precautions. When they make a call on a safety rule safe practice, we all need to respect and abide by it.

Performing the Lead Role in Emergency Response Situations

If an emergency arises, such as a serious injury that requires medical attention, a decision around whether an emergency evacuation needs to be made in case of fire, or if a severe weather situation occurs that requires action to shelter in place, the Shop Foreman is the focal point for decision-making in an emergency. Thankfully, this is a role Shop Foremen seldom need to play. But they are the initial on-site decision-maker for taking clear, effective action when things go wrong. As a Safety Committee, we are working on plans to provide better support to Shop

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Foremen for emergency situations to build up their capability. We should all be grateful that the Shop Foreman is on hand to calmly lead when emergencies arise.

There is undoubtedly a lot more I could say regarding the value the Shop Foremen provide from a safety perspective. But in closing I would like to share a habit I have developed since I became a member of the Guild. I would ask you to consider adopting this habit yourself. Each time I arrive at the Shop, I find the Shop Foreman, or, if I don't know who the on-duty Shop Foreman is, I ask someone to direct me to her or him. I then make it point to check in with the on-duty Foreman, introduce myself to them if I have never met them, and brief them on what I am at the shop to do. If I need help with setting up a machine or tool or if I need to be briefed on the safety concerns and operating techniques for

the machinery or tool I need to use, I always ask. When I am ready to leave for the day, I connect with the Shop Foreman and let them know that I am leaving, and I thank them for their help. This may seem a bit silly and unnecessary, but I have learned that establishing a relationship by being courteous and communicating clearly what you plan to do, it shows respect for the on-duty Foreman and helps them help you.

One other favor I would ask of all members of the Guild – take a moment, when the time is right, to thank the Shop Foreman for all that they do to represent safety and to help us get our work done. They deserve it!

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RANTS AND RAVINGS OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

The Kansas City Woodworkers' Guild recently had the unique opportunity to go behind the scenes at Grizzly Tools in Springfield, MO. As VIP guests, we were treated to a guided tour of their manufacturing facilities, gaining insights into their innovative processes and quality control measures.

Following the tour, we were invited to their highly anticipated tent sale, which drew a massive crowd of tool enthusiasts. From power tools to hand tools, the selection was impressive. Shoppers eagerly browsed through the aisles, snapping up deals on everything from drills and saws to clamps and sanders.

One attendee, a fellow woodworker, raved about the quality and variety of tools on offer, saying, "I couldn't believe the deals I found. I picked up a new router and a set of chisels that I've been eyeing

for months."

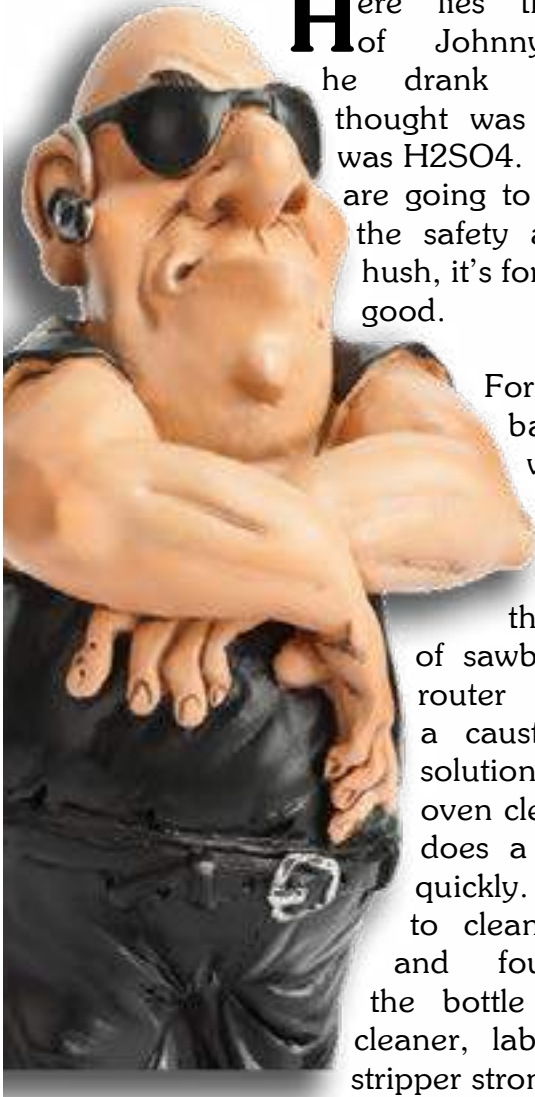
Beyond the incredible discounts, the tent sale provided a vibrant atmosphere. Woodworkers of all skill levels mingled, sharing tips and tricks, and building camaraderie.

If you missed out on this year's Grizzly Tools tent sale, don't worry! Keep an eye out for announcements about future events, as they're always a highlight for the woodworking community.

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FROM THE SHOP



Here lies the bones of Johnny Jones, he drank what he thought was H₂O but was H₂SO₄. Today we are going to stray into the safety area, now hush, it's for your own good.

For a little background we use floor stripper to clean the pitch off of sawblades and router bits. It's a caustic (basic) solution (like oven cleaner) that does a good job quickly. I went to clean a blade and found that the bottle of blade cleaner, labeled floor stripper strong solution 5:1 which normally is

a clear green fluid and instead it was a milky fluid. Something isn't right here. I tried it and it didn't do much different than water. I'm guessing that the bottle was filled with floor finish instead of stripper. The point though is who knows. could be anything and all you have to go on is the label and that's incorrect. You could start trying to determine the contents, but you could be right, could be wrong and it's wasting your time. Reminds me of my son changing the oil in his car and putting the old oil back in the bottles and not recycling but just putting them back in the garage with the rest

of the oil. The moral of the story is to label containers correctly.

And while we're at it, store the containers correctly. Not everything belongs under the sink or in the refrigerator. Luckily the Guild having a no finishing rule prevents the toxic collection that plagues other shops. We do have a flammables cabinet, but it is important to remember that it is a flammables cabinet, the key word here is flammable not cabinet. The purpose is to store your flammable product in this cabinet that will help protect the contents from fire outside and contain a fire that could develop within the cabinet. It is not a cabinet to store everything that you don't want out on the table where it could be spilled. What could it hurt to keep nonflammable products in the cabinet, they won't burn so who cares? Some products that don't burn don't get along well with others like ammonia and chlorine bleach. When stored in a cabinet that starts a fire inside (these things happen) and the plastic jugs holding these product melt and release their contents now you have a chemical reaction that releases bad stuff for breathing. Not recommended. It's the same thing as putting everything under the kitchen sink. You don't put the gas for the mower there even if there's room.

Safety is for all of us and depends on all of us. There's more to it than just Safety glasses and the three-inch rule.

**Chuck
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MASTERING JAPANESE JOINERY A HANDS-ON DEMONSTRATION

Have you ever marveled at the precision and beauty of Japanese woodworking? The intricate joints, seamlessly fitting together like pieces of a puzzle, are a testament to the skill and artistry of Japanese craftsmen.

At our upcoming meeting, we're fortunate to have William Fehrenbach, the Woodworking Minimalist, LLC, sharing his expertise in Japanese joinery. Fehrenbach, who studied under renowned Japanese master Mr. Sugita, will be demonstrating techniques and equipment that he's brought back to the United States.

While Fehrenbach originally planned to showcase a wider range of joints, due to time constraints, he'll be focusing on a few specific examples. These demonstrations will include the use of specialized, yet simple, tools that can help you achieve professional-quality results.

One of the most sought-after joints among woodworkers is the box joint. Often, hand-cut box joints can be frustrating due to inconsistencies in

fit. Fehrenbach's techniques and demonstrations will help you overcome these challenges and create joints that are both strong and beautiful.

If you're looking to elevate your woodworking skills and learn from a true master, you won't want to miss this program. Remember, to ensure that your questions are heard by both the in-person and online audiences, please use a microphone during the live broadcast.

We look forward to seeing you there!



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DO YOU HAVE a Committee Meeting, SIG Team Meeting, Training Meeting or other meeting that you need to schedule?

HOLD YOUR MEETING ONLINE!

All that you need to do to set up your meeting is send a message to: communications@kcwg.org with the email addresses of the people you want to invite, the date and time of your meeting and we will set the meeting up for you.

THAT'S ALL THAT THERE IS TO IT!



CNC UPDATE

CNC SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP (SIG) WILL MEET ON THE 3RD MONDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 6:30 PM IN 2024

Over the last several months I have seen use of the CNC increase. I have seen members working on project not only on the horizontal table but also a few involving the vertical table and the turning center. Some of these projects look very interesting and I am excited to see the final product once they have completed their projects.

If you have an interest in learning about the CNC, send your inquiry to CNCSIG@KCWG.net.

The CNC SIG will meet at 6:30pm on Monday September 16 in the Guild Classroom. As usual there will be an open "Question and Answer" period where questions about the CNC will be addressed. There will also be a "Show and Tell" opportunity where you can present any project involving the CNC.

Also planned is a short discussion of the software used to design and machine parts on the CNC as well as a short demonstration of machining a part on the CNC.

All Guild members and their guests are welcome to attend.

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CHAMPIONS IN WOODWORKING

WHO IS YOUR HERO AT THE GUILD?

My fellow woodworkers! Is there someone who impresses you? Someone who has helped you out or has a skill that is so impressive it makes your mouth water and say WOW and HOLY COW and WHOOOO DOGGIES!! We want to hear about them! Help us acknowledge our exceptional members!

We will be placing a suggestion box and forms by the entry area for your thoughts. Another option is to send me the name of your woodworker hero. Will you share your how and why, what did they do to blow your socks off!

Drum roll for our September, honoree on page **13**.

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A THRIVING GUILD: REACHING OUT AND CONNECTING

The Kansas City Woodworkers' Guild continues to make strides in attracting new members and fostering a vibrant community. Recent events have showcased the Guild's efforts to connect with potential woodworkers and highlight the benefits of membership.

At the September First Friday's event in the Crossroads District, Guild representatives engaged with hundreds of individuals, sparking interest in woodworking and addressing common concerns like limited space and shop availability. The event provided valuable insights into the needs and desires of potential members, revealing a demographic that the guild aims to tap into.

The following morning, a membership event hosted by our sponsor, Rockler further so-

lided the Guild's presence in the community. Guild members had the opportunity to interact with customers, discuss the Guild's offerings, and connect with individuals from various regions, including Topeka, Wichita, Oklahoma, and surrounding areas. The event was a resounding success, demonstrating the Guild's enduring appeal and the enthusiasm of its members.

As the First Friday's series draws to a close, (1 more pending FF event) the Guild leadership reflects on its achievements in attracting new talent and faces. This article encourages members to share the Guild's content on social media, engage with potential mem-

bers in hardware stores, and actively promote the Guild within their communities.

Sign up for an outreach event and join in the fun.

By working together, the Guild can continue to build a strong and supportive community of woodworkers.

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KC Woodworkers' Guild First Friday Volunteers Still Needed

By now you have heard the news about our participation in the Crossroads Arts District First Fridays event. The last event of the season will be 10/04/2024.

To Volunteer to help out at the Guild's portion of the event, please click below to see where we need help and to add your name: [CLICK HERE](#)



FIRST FRIDAY'S AT THE KANSAS CITY WOODWORKERS GUILD

We are coming up on the final First Fridays event of the season! October will mark the end of the First Fridays season, which resumes again in March of 2025. These openings have been an exciting way to show off our community's wooden creations, engage our new neighbors, meet prospective members, and introduce the Kansas City Woodworkers Guild to the greater Kansas City community.

Our last First Fridays Opening of the year coincides with the Guild Birthday Party! Our organization is 40 years old, and any vendor selling at the October First Fridays Opening gets to be a part of the party! If you bring your work to sell at the Guild on Friday, October 4th, leave it at the Guild to be sold at the Birthday Party on October 5th. Of course, you are encouraged to come and promote you own work on both days, but it is still not required.

Our First Fridays seller's list continues to grow, and we cannot

wait to have your work at next month's sale! Selling with us is an amazing deal and very simple. Unlike other craft sales and craft seller's websites, our sellers pay NOTHING to participate AND keep 80% of the sale price! KCWG keeps a 20% commission to offset the cost of the event. Without our sellers, we would have no event at all, and we are very grateful to those who come out and participate.

To become a seller, all it takes is signing up on the Sign Up Genius one time and one time only. To actually sell, just bring your work to the Guild sometime in the week leading up to First Friday, and fill out a little paperwork while you are there. Those who stay for the event generally do better sales. Your check from any sales will be in the mail about two weeks following the event, and you will need to pick up any unsold work as quickly as possible. Be on the lookout for the Seller's Sign Up!

Huge shout out to our

volunteers who staffed the event! From the folk who help set up the show, to those who pass out flyers in the crossroads, and our wonderful tour guides who encourage visitors to become members, you all are vital to making this event happen every month. We are incredibly grateful for you! Be on the lookout for the Sign Up Genius to volunteer for the event.

Seller, volunteer, or no, ALL Y'ALL should come visit us for the Next First Fridays, July 5th, 5 pm to 9 pm and bring a friend! It's a great time here at the Guild, plus just a short walk to food, drinks, and fabulous artists from across the Kansas City art scene.

See you at our last First Friday Event of the season and the Guild Birthday Party!

Katherine O'Hara
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TREASURER'S COLUMN

Our monthly Financial Statements are available in the Members Only area of the website in the Financial section. Please review the reports and let us know if you have any questions. The treasurer email is treasurer@kcwg.net


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A TRIP INTO THE PAST OF THE GUILD

We thought that it might be interesting to join Mr. Peabody and Sherman in the Way Back Machine and revisit a few articles from past editions of the Guild's Wood Words newsletter. The excerpts included here on page xx and page xx are from the September, 2004 newsletter. Take a look at the guild during that time period ideas we might revisit.

page one and two of what was happening and what sort of going forward.



Wood Words

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September Raffle: Dewalt 1/4 sheet palm sander, Flush cutting saw, 28 oz dead blow hammer

Please thank associate members; Paxton's and Woodcraft, for supporting our toy project.

Next Meeting Wed. October 17th, 7 PM Program: Joinery;
 Dick Chaney, The Leigh Dovetail Jig. Don Inbody, Biscuit Joints. Arnold Baker, Lap Joints. Dave Roth, intarsia (the visual joining of wood).

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Sawdust: The Presidents Corner
 Dave Kraatz

This month I am asking you to take small break from your woodworking and ask yourself the question, "What is the Guild doing and who is making it happen"? I am doing this to reintroduce you to our officers and let you know who is guiding the programs and benefits that you have as a member. I also want you to discuss your ideas with the officers and let them know what you want the Guild to do to best serve your woodworking needs.

Our Guild is lead behind the scenes by an executive committee form of organization. We do this to streamline the decision process and leave most of the time in our meeting for woodworking, not administrivia. We bring issues to the membership only when they require your vote and approval.

This is the team that is making things happen for you.

The monthly programs are the responsibility and work of our Vice President, Gene Caples. Gene is always on the lookout for interesting and informative programs on any facet of woodworking. This is a tough job and I know that Gene would welcome your input and most of all your participation in a presentation at one of the meetings.





Our Treasurer, George Dixon, is continuously concerned about the Guild finances and keeping the bills paid for the meeting facilities, insurance, newsletter expenses and related cost of running the operation. George is always looking for ways to stretch your dues money.

Bill Webb, Mr. Secretary, has the task of recording the activities of the monthly executive meeting and the monthly meeting and the runs the show-and-tell part of the meeting that we all enjoy. Getting all of the happenings down on paper for newsletter reporting is a big job. You can help Bill by always stating you name when you are addressing the meeting and take time to fill him in on specific details of your comments.

Wayne Wainwright keeps you in tune with all of the news by publishing the monthly newsletter, Woodwords. This is a job that requires special skills and experience and it's good to have such an able member as Wayne to do it for us. You can help by turning in your input on time and giving him your

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hints on what you would like to read. In addition, Wayne keeps us on the internet by building and maintaining our website, kewoodworkersguild.org. You can also help Wayne and George by receiving your newsletter by E-mail, if possible.

Your Directors are a busy bunch as they try to define the Guild future and keep it serving your needs. All of our directors are exploring ways to build our membership.

David Roth is in charge of the Mentor Program and he is also exploring the possibilities of a future Guild Show. Jim Bany is exploring special activities that you as members can participate in. Erl Poulin is a man of many hats, and keeping the library in operation. Neal Shoger is an expert in getting you to talk about your new tools and tool experiences each month. Jim Ramsey is responsible for selection and purchase of tools for the monthly raffle.

In addition, Don Kruse is always busy keeping the video tapes in circulation for you to borrow and Fred Chael, not a current officer, hosts the monthly executive meeting at his home. Finally, Bob LaDue is busy making arrangements for our Professional seminar in the spring.

We all should remember that these jobs are elected on a volunteer basis to guide, and serve the business of our Guild. I would not like to do without any of this very willing and able assistance, but also remember that this group of leaders needs your help on all of our activities.

Your ideas are important. Your

experience and your willingness to share it is the major purpose of our Guild. Please take time to meet each of your officers and share your ideas and interests. I am looking forward to having you share the action of running the Guild.

See Ya at the next meeting!

Another Book Report

This one is for you who make country furniture. I have added "Building Traditional Country Furniture" by the Editors of Popular Woodworking Magazine to my personal library. This book has complete plans, material lists and clear directions for building 20 distinctive country pieces. My favorites are the Pennsylvania Stepback Cupboard, the Six-Legged Huntboard, the Traditional Secretary and the Shaker Blanket Chest.

I believe that building these four pieces would elevate you to the expert status in the country motif and certainly put a lot of woodworking hours to your credit. In addition to the excellent plans, this book has a section on making your own cove molding, building a tenon jig and finally a novel alternate way of cutting halfblind dovetails. The dovetail technique uses a very simple home made jig to use with your router for the pins and the tails are cut with the bandsaw.

The dovetail spacing is variable and can be spaced exactly to your piece. I can hardly wait to try this method. This book is very enjoyable reading with many clear photos and the techniques are readily transferable to your favorite woodworking.

Program:

The program was presented by **Bob Caldwell**. The subject was one phase of Wood Technology: **How to build a wood drying kiln.**

Bill Webb

Thanks Bob for a great program!

Wood needs to be dried properly in order to maintain the quality of the wood. Proper drying minimizes stress that causes warping and cracking and helps avoid surface defects such as surface checks.

Moisture is trapped in the cells of the wood. Wood fibers can be saturated with water but most moisture meters will not work above 28% moisture content. Since wood dries from the outside in, the moisture must move from the inside out. Therefore the best conditions are to expose each piece of wood to the maximum amount of air. Forced air circulation helps. Warmed air speeds up the process. Also end grain moisture movement is ten times cross grain movement.

Most of the problems of drying occur in the first one third of the drying time. It is very important to insert "stickers" or spacers which should be about 3/4" thick spaced about 12 - 18 inches apart immediately after sawing. To kill bugs in wood one needs to obtain a core temperature of 160 degrees Fahrenheit for at least 30 minutes.

A solar kiln should be limited to about 1500 bdf. Stack the longer pieces at the bottom at a minimum height off the ground of 12 - 16". If one uses forced air, plan on 350 cfm for each 150 sq. ft. Horizontal movement of air is most important. Vertical air movement is not important.

If you get a box fan from Kmart, remove the plastic grill and provide another grill for safety. Avoid direct exposure of the wood to direct rain or sun. A solar kiln provides the lowest overall cost but may not guarantee bug free wood. You should consult a book on kilns if you are actually going to build one so you can get the rest of the story.

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PLEASE WELCOME THESE 9 NEW MEMBERS WHO JOINED THE GUILD IN LATE AUGUST & EARLY SEPTEMBER

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	HOMETOWN	STATE	MEMBERSHIP	JOINED
Julian	Arredondo	Kansas City	MO	Sawdust	8/12/2024
Scott	Diffin	Kansas City	KS	Sawdust	8/12/2024
Trey	Meyer	Lees Summit	MO	Sawdust	8/21/2024
Jan-Lucia	Staibano	Lees Summit	MO	Sawdust	8/21/2024
Jordan	Flourish	Overland Park	KS	Sawdust	8/25/2024
Joseph	Kleese	Kansas City	MO	Sawdust	8/30/2024
Katie	Rizzo	Kansas City	MO	WW+	8/31/2024
Cindy	Ridgeway	Lenexa	KS	Sawdust	9/3/2024
Obhishele	Mandal	n/a	n/a	Sawdust	9/8/2024

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As I write this, I have just returned from the September Skill Builder, and I am once again reminded of the vast amount of knowledge that exists within the Guild. In case you weren't there, John Johnson presented on the process of wood stabilization. I have to admit that, when John first mentioned this topic to me, I was completely at a loss as to what he would present. I knew that wood moves based on humidity (we all have to account for wood movement in one way or another), but I was unaware that there is a process one can take to more permanently address wood movement. As John presented, wood stabilization involves using a vacuum system to draw the air out of the wood while saturating it with resin. Then there is a curing process to set the resin. The end result is wood that no longer responds to humidity. This is a process that is common for turning projects or knife scales. It is woodworking for the would-be chemist in all of us.

Looking ahead, we have a number of upcoming Skill Builders between now and the end of the year. On **October 5**, Cal Hobbes is going to present line and berry inlay. Line and berry inlay is a traditional American design that consists of curved arcs that end with round discs (or berries). This design is featured in the Inlay Keepsake box that Cal is teaching, but for the Skill Builder, he is just going to go through the process of creating the popular inlay pattern. This session is held during the Guild's

birthday, so there's one more reason to come out and celebrate.

Then on **November 2**, Craig Arnold is going to present on uses for the router table. He'll discuss not only some of the basics for using the router table, but he'll also present some of the jigs he uses with the router table to create specific, repeatable parts. This Skill Builder was requested by a Guild member, and it will be informative for anyone who is looking for ways to get more out of their use of the router table.

To end the year, on **December 7**, Chuck Saunders is going to present on the new Martin sliding table saw. I'm sure this presentation will be of interest to everyone who wants to know how to safely use the newest piece of equipment in our shop.

I am truly appreciative of each one of the Guild members who have decided to share a bit of their knowledge over the course of the year. In addition to the presenters I've mentioned above, Terry Johnson presented on stained glass, Barbara Akers presented on pyrography, Roland Mohler presented on caring for and sharpening router bits and saw blades, Chuck Saunders presented on caring for electric motors, and Tom Smoller presented on carving a shell detail for a Newport 6 shell secretary. As you can see, the Skill Builders cover a wide range of topics and, hopefully, there is something for everyone over the course of the year. Yet, I'm always looking for additional presenters. If you have something that you would like to share with the Guild, please let me know. **Skill Builders are always the first Saturday of the month from 2-4 p.m. and they are free to all Guild members and guests.**

In addition to the Skill Builders, we also have a

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CHAMPIONS IN WOODWORKING - DAVID KRAATZ

Well, ... if there was ever a perfect example of someone who has left his mark in our Guild it's David Kraatz. The first time I met David he was presenting at one of our monthly meetings. For that meeting, he had made glue scrapers for every single person that attended. (I still have and use mine!) David was the person who organized a fund drive to purchase our very first tools for open shop at the Guild. David also helped coordinate the furniture project at Andre's Restaurant. You can see memories of that adventure with the benches that reside in our side office. When you walk in the front door,



that table where our sign in sheet is ... yep, made by David. He has taught classes with us from how to make a Shaker Step stool to how to make a Mountain Dulcimer. He has taught the final session of our Beginning woodworking class on how to select wood for your projects. His multiple contributions to our Guild is such a gift and we are incredibly fortunate to have him as a lifetime member. David lives in Gladstone, MO and has been a member since 2010! Please join me in saying WHOOOO DOGGIES!!!!, to our September outstanding member of the month, David Kraatz!



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number of upcoming classes.

Mitered Picture Frames

On **October 19 (9 a.m.-2 p.m.)** Suresh Narayan and Glenn Carney are going to lead a class on making mitered picture frames. Students in this class will build two mitered picture frames: one 8x10 and one 5x7. The class will use a mitered sled on the table saw to cut the miters, a router table and/or table saw to cut the rabbets, and a router table to cut the decorative edges.

By the time this newsletter comes out, this class will have just been released. There may still be slots available.

Project Finishing

On **October 28, 29, and 30 (Monday-Wednesday, 6:30-10 p.m.)**, Craig Arnold is once again offering his popular finishing class. Building your project is 90% of the work. The other 10% is putting on a good finish. One of the biggest challenges in achieving a good finish is choosing the finish you want for your project. To help you,

Craig teaches three fast-paced sessions that will provide you with experience finishing a variety of woods, finishing materials, and processes. In my opinion, this is one of the “must-take” classes offered at the Guild. This class opens for enrollment on **September 17th**.

Building Wooden Toys—First session

Last, I want to make you aware that the popular Toy classes will be returning on November **16th** and **December 14th**. I will write more about these classes in next month’s newsletter, but I wanted to let you know that the November session will open for enrollment on **October 8th**.

There are more classes in the works that aren’t quite ready to be released, so you may see a few announcements coming out in addition to the ones listed above. Keep in mind, however, that new classes are always released on Tuesday evenings around 7 p.m., so keep an eye on your emails.

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Guild storage areas. If you need additional work or storage space, keep the Raffle Table in mind. I like to recognize those that donate. If you aren’t comfortable being recognized for your donation, that works also.

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SEPTEMBER 2024 - DRILL PRESS SAFETY REVIEW

Drill Press

The drill press is used to drill holes precisely and with repeatable accuracy. It has a motor-driven head with a chuck that accepts bits or cutters. It also has an adjustable table on which the work is mounted. It is operated by pulling a rotary lever that lowers the drill bit into the material.

Safety Rules

1. Make sure the size of the bit is within the capacity of the drill press.
2. Do not exceed the recommended speeds for the type and size of drill bit being used and composition of the stock being drilled.
3. Support the underside of the stock to be drilled with a becker board secured to the drill press table.
4. Use a clamp or vise to securely fasten the stock to the drill press table. Never hold stock in your hand while drilling.
5. To drill into the side of cylindrical stock, hold the workpiece in a "V" block.
6. When drilling into a long workpiece, position the excess stock to your left so that, if the stock rotates, it will hit the fence or the post, not you.
7. If a drill bit binds, turn off the drill press and carefully turn the chuck backwards by hand to free the drill bit.
8. Never reach around or under a rotating drill bit.
9. Don't try to stop the rotation of the drill chuck, spindle, or stock rotating on bit with your hands or fingers.





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WILL BE HELD AT THE KCWG SHOP AT
1717 WASHINGTON ST ON
WED, SEPT 18, BEGINNING AT 7PM**

SEPTEMBER 2024 OPEN SHOP SCHEDULE

day	September Date	9am	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9pm
Sunday	September 1		Chuck Saunders					Chris McCauley						
Monday	September 2			Dom Fiorella			Ron Haw				Gary Strohm			
Tuesday	September 3	Gary Creek			Craig Arnold							Kara Paris		
Wednesday	September 4	Barb Hinton				Art LaGrange					LC Meeting			
Thursday	September 5	Gary Mielke									Training			
Friday	September 6									First Friday				
Saturday	September 7	Mike Jones					Basic Skills Class Free Just Show Up	George Rexroad						
Sunday	September 8		Rob Young						Mark Waugh					
Monday	September 9	John Sloss				Ron Haw						Woodturners General Meeting		
Tuesday	September 10	Matt Nowak			Ron Lomax			Craig Arnold			Roland Mohler			
Wednesday	September 11	Bob Caldwell				Mike Blake						Rich Higgason		
Thursday	September 12	Gary Mielke									Training			
Friday	September 13		Curtis Alexander				Ed Stewart							
Saturday	September 14	George Rexroad				Norm Carpenter		Safety Orientation						
Sunday	September 15		Chuck Saunders						Chris McCauley					
Monday	September 16	Jerry Thompson					Ron Haw				Gary Strohm			
Tuesday	September 17	Gary Creek			Craig Arnold							CNC SIG 6:30		
Wednesday	September 18					Tim Locke						General Meeting		
Thursday	September 19	Gary Mielke									Training			
Friday	September 20													
Saturday	September 21	Tom Smoller												
Sunday	September 22		Rob Young				Handtool SIG	Wayne Peterson						
Monday	September 23	John Sloss					Ron Haw					Kolton Stimpert		
Tuesday	September 24	Matt Nowak			Ron Lomax			Craig Arnold			Roland Mohler		Carving SIG	
Wednesday	September 25	Bob Caldwell				Mike Blake					Kevin Thomas		Laser SIG	
Thursday	September 26	Gary Mielke									Training			
Friday	September 27						Ed Stewart					Rick Chandler		
Saturday	September 28	George Rexroad				Don Steele			Joshua Baldwin					
Sunday	September 29		Chuck Saunders											
Monday	September 30						Ron Haw							

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	October	Date	9am	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9pm
Tuesday	October	1	Gary Creek				Craig Arnold							Kara Paris	
Wednesday	October	2	Barb Hinton				Art LaGrange					LC Meeting			
Thursday	October	3	Gary Mielke									Training			
Friday	October	4									First Friday				
Saturday	October	5	Mike Jones					Basic Skills Class Free Just Show Up		George Rexroad					
Sunday	October	6		Chuck Saunders					Chris McCauley						
Monday	October	7			Dom Fiorella			Ron Haw					Gary Strohm		
Tuesday	October	8	Matt Nowak				Ron Lomax		Craig Arnold				Roland Mohter		
Wednesday	October	9	Bob Caldwell				Mike Blake						Rich Higgason		
Thursday	October	10	Gary Mielke									Training			
Friday	October	11		Curtis Alexander				Ed Stewart							
Saturday	October	12	George Rexroad				Norm Carpenter								
Sunday	October	13		Rob Young					Mark Waugh						
Monday	October	14	John Sloss				Ron Haw						Woodturners General Meeting		
Tuesday	October	15	Gary Creek				Craig Arnold								
Wednesday	October	16					Tim Locke						General Meeting		
Thursday	October	17	Gary Mielke									Training			
Friday	October	18													
Saturday	October	19	Tom Smoller												
Sunday	October	20		Chuck Saunders					Chris McCauley						
Monday	October	21	Jerry Thompson					Ron Haw					Gary Strohm		
Tuesday	October	22	Matt Nowak				Ron Lomax		Craig Arnold				Roland Mohter		
Wednesday	October	23	Bob Caldwell				Mike Blake						Kevin Thomas		
Thursday	October	24	Gary Mielke									Training			
Friday	October	25						Ed Stewart					Rick Chandler		
Saturday	October	26	George Rexroad				Don Steele			Joshua Baldwin					
Sunday	October	27		Rob Young				Handtool SIG		Wayne Peterson					
Monday	October	28	John Sloss					Ron Haw					Kolton Stimpert		
Tuesday	October	29	Gary Creek				Craig Arnold						Rick Chandler		
Wednesday	October	30													
Thursday	October	31	Gary Mielke										Training		

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GUILD ACTIVITIES AT THE SHOP

Always check the Guild website before leaving home to be sure that a scheduled event is actually taking place.

There will also be times when the shop will be closed to open shop periods due to a special meeting, class or event. These closures will be clearly noted on the monthly open shop schedule and are typically highlighted by a color other than the green background that normally indicates an open shop period.

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