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Colorado Woodworkers Guild

July 2024 Newsletter

President's Corner



Dennis Edmonds, President

Volunteers Are Essential to Guild Success

Introduction

Over my past two and half years as President of the Colorado Woodworking Guild, it became abundantly clear that our success is entirely dependent upon the number and commitment our volunteers. Great plans only remain ideas until someone steps up to get the work done.

All three levels of volunteer activity within the Guild are essential to success.

- Leadership Team (Board Members and Committee Chairs)
- Project / Task Leaders
- Participants

In this article I highlight the Leadership Team and thank them for their service to the Guild. In next month's article I will share some highlights of Project / Task Leaders and Participants.

Leadership Team

Your Leadership Team includes Guild Board Members and the Committee Chairs. The Board is elected by Members and consists of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Member at Large, and Past President. Committee Chairs are appointed by the President. Each of these leaders has gone well beyond their stated rolls and made significant contributions to the Guild. Some highlights are shown below.

Dennis Edmonds, President – As your President I have worked with the Board and Committee Chairs to develop and execute an action plan, recruit volunteers and oversee the work of the organization.

Bill Bixby, Vice President – Although the Vice President role is to act when the President is not available, Bill filled in whenever the need arose. He has taken on multiple projects such as IT Committee Chair and some of the vacant Social Chair responsibilities.

Jason Matishek, Secretary – The Secretary takes minutes and keeps the Guild's records. In addition to serving on the board, Jason sits at the console and helps make the meetings better as a member of the Audio-Visual Project Team.

Larry Christensen, Treasurer – The Treasurer manages the finances of the guild. In addition to strengthening financial operations, Larry has led bylaw revisions, served as Sponsor Liaison, and set up shop tours.

Jonathan Carlyon, At Large Board Member – In addition to serving on the Board, Jonathan has served as the Education Committee Chair. He has arranged informative programs and written numerous newsletter articles.

Wilbur Goltermann, Immediate Past President – In addition to serving on the Board, Wilbur has been the Guild Webmaster. Wilbur actively helped me transition into the President role and continues to offer sound advice and counsel to the Board.

Cary Goltermann, Membership Chair – In addition to maintaining accurate membership records, Cary leads Show and Tell and fills in wherever there is a need. As a past President, Cary continues to offer sound advice and counsel to the Board.

Devon Lindsey, Communications Chair – Devon designed the Guild membership materials and helps shape the communications strategy. She continues to fill in wherever there is a need. As a past Vice President, Devon continues to offer sound advice and counsel to the Board.

Jen Seim, Community Service Chair – As a brand-new member, Jen successfully took on the project lead role for veteran urns. Her demonstrated critical thinking and leadership skills lead to her appointment as the Community Service Chair.

You can make a difference. I encourage each member to ask themselves how they can contribute to the success of the Guild:

- What interests me?
- What knowledge and skills can I offer?
- How much time am I willing to spend?

Each member of the leadership team is contributing their time and talents to help take the Guild to the next level. Please join me in thanking the leadership team and offering your support.

Dennis Edmonds, President

Show and Tell

At the June 18th, 2024 meeting we had four entries from four presenters.

Listed below are the video links to each entry that was presented.

For the presentations, you may have to “right click” and select “Open Hyperlink” to get to the video.

- Marty Bartholomew showed us a Shaker Table, video [here](#)
- Don Prorak showed off a Tri-Corner Bowl, video [here](#)
- Janice Gilmore presented a Tool Box, video [here](#)
- Ron Ainge’s entry is a “Gnome Home”, video [here](#)

The beginning of the presentation by Marty is [here](#)

First up Marty and his Shaker Table made of Cherry finished in Arm R Seal.



Second, we had Don Prorak presenting a Tri-Corner bowl made of Ash and finished in Walnut Oil.



Third, Janice showed us a simple toolbox made of “Shop Wood (maybe pine)” and Leather.



Fourth, and last, Ron showed us a “Gnome Home” made of Scrub Oak finished in Laquer.



The winner of the June Show & Tell was Marty and his table



Thanks to all who participate. Please consider sending me some pictures prior to the next meeting. Include a brief description of the project and a couple of pictures. If possible, get them to me a week before the meeting so I can prepare for the meeting itself. I can be reached at showandtell@coloradowoodworkersguild.org
Thanks, and see you at the next meeting,

Cary Goltermann, Show and Tell Administrator

Meeting Presentations

June 2024 Meeting

On June 18th, 2024, the guild enjoyed a very educational presentation by Tom Grager of Urban Forest Mill, one of our 18 sponsors, on various kiln wood drying methods. He started out in industrial arts shop teaching and was a contractor in Boulder CO for 15 years, but in 2020 started his own business, Urban Forest Mill in Longmont, CO. All his wood comes from downed trees as an arborist. and cuts them into large slabs from trees up to 5 feet in diameter. His services include milling, slabbing, planing and sanding, wide slab flattening, and air and vacuum kiln drying. He discussed the challenges of wood moisture content and how it can cause wood to bend and change shape.

He discussed greenwood moisture content and the difference in content between Eastern US woods and the West and Southwest wood content of 7%. He then went into great detail discussing various types of kiln dryers, including air drying, solar kilns, conventional temperature kilns, dehumidifying kilns and the vacuum kiln method he is perfecting.

The session was extremely educational, and he answered numerous questions after his presentation. Check out all Urban Forest Mill has to offer by following the link here :<https://urbanforestmill.com/services/>

The entire presentation, including his presentation slides, can be viewed online at the guild's website by clicking [here](#). **Again, for the presentation, you may have to "right click" and select "Open Hyperlink" to get to the video. The presentation starts at 49.45mm into the meeting video and goes until near the end of the meeting until 1h.52.00mm.**

July 16th, 2024 Meeting

Due to a last-minute change, Bill Bixby has graciously agreed to step in in place of our previously scheduled presentation on Federal Style Furniture, and instead, we will receive a presentation by Bill on rust removal, electrolysis, and general tool restoration.

Joe Lenhoff, Newsletter Editor & Publisher

Education Corner

What is Federal Style Furniture?

Federal Style is a classic of American furniture making. If you were to go back in time to the earliest days of the Country, 1780s – 1820s, you would notice examples of this style in many of the most affluent homes of the East Coast. Like the architecture from which it was inspired, Federal style was influenced by classic Palladian influences, that is, influences from the Renaissance architect Andrea Palladio's book, *I quattro libri dell'architettura* (The Four Books of Architecture), published in 1570. Palladio's influence in American design can be seen in Thomas Jefferson's Montecello home, whose West Portico prominently displayed Doric columns.



Photo of Monticello courtesy of Library of Congress

When looking at Federal Style furniture, you will notice strong references to geometric forms, straight legs, contrasting veneers, and geometric inlay. Think of Greek and Roman traditions applied to 18th and 19th century furniture. Some of the major woodworkers in this style included John and Thomas Seymour, Duncan Phyfe, and Charles-Honoré Lannuier.

Duncan Phyfe was perhaps the best-known furniture maker of the Federal style period. Born in Scotland, he immigrated to the USA at age 18 with his family. He married at age 25, in 1793, at which point he was listed as a cabinetmaker in New York City. He lived the American Dream. Arriving here in poverty, he became wealthy and famous due to his dedication to the craft. During his heyday, however, having a 'Duncan Phyfe' in your furniture collection was a sign of prestige.

Jonathan Carlyon, Education Chair

CWG Pikes Peak Chapter News

The CWG Pikes Peak Chapter had a good turnout for our July 2nd meeting with roughly 30 folks attending. Here are some highlights:

- For Show & Tell we had 9 boxes displayed for our Show & Tell (see attached pictures). Scott MacCue was selected as the people's choice winner for his band saw box shown below. He was awarded a Japanese style cutoff saw and a gift certificate thanks to our Woodcraft sponsor.



- There was a consensus that future Show & Tell sessions will not have a specific focus area but will be open to all kinds of projects.
- Sponsor news: Ben Myers of Woodcraft gave us a rundown on what he saw at Woodcraft's vendor fair last month. Lots of new products are coming out, so stay tuned.
- CO Lumber is offering a shop tour, tentatively scheduled for midday Saturday, July 20th. Details to follow.
- Coordination with other woodworking groups: Mikel Levine, President of the Rocky Mountain Marquetry Guild, joined us and expressed their interest in expanding the marquetry community through workshops and other educational activities. Look for updates in the coming months. More details at comarquetry.org
- Charlie House, acting as liaison with the Pikes Peak Woodturners, announced that they will offer a joint membership just as the Front Range Woodturners do. Details to be announced. Their monthly meetings take place at the Bemis Art School on the first Friday of the month at 5:30 (but no meeting in July). You can find them on Facebook at Pikes Peak Woodturners Blog
- Del Cox, acting as liaison with the Pikes Peak Whittlers, told us they meet at First Redeemer Lutheran Church on the first Saturday of the month at 9 AM. Also, they have an informal weekly meetup session on Wednesday mornings at CO Lumber. Their annual show is coming up on October 12-13 at the Colorado Springs Shrine Club. More details at pikespeakwhittlers.com

- Member Shop Tours Scheduled: Dan Sullivan, who is coordinating our members' shop tours, announced that Ken Sanders will be hosting a tour of his shop on Saturday, July, 13th from 10:00 to 12:00. He will have limited capacity, so if you're interested, email him at krsanders@comcast.net to sign up and get directions to his house in Flying Horse area in the Springs.
- On Saturday, August 10th, Dan Sullivan will host a tour at his shop from Noon to 2 PM; contact him at dansullivanstl@gmail.com or (314) 882-1248.
- Additional tours are being scheduled with the goal of having one each month.
- Community Service Toy Making: Joe Lenhoff brought some templates and car parts (wheels and axles) for those who want to get started on making some toys. He offered to bring more parts down from Denver. Contact him at joelenhoff@gmail.com if you're interested.
- As another alternative, it was mentioned that other CWG members have been involved in the past with making doll cribs or cradles – more info to come.
- We've had interest from Children's Hospital/Ronald McDonald House. A representative plans to attend the August meeting to fill us in on what they're doing and what needs they might have.
- Education Skills/Interest surveys are still being solicited to support planning our workshops, demos, etc. to match them to member interests. Please send your inputs to Jim Densford (jamesdensford@hotmail.com)
- Woodcraft Shop Meetups: Ben Myers will be holding a sharpening demo at 4 PM before our August 6th meeting date.
- There was interest expressed in doing some kind of demo each month before our meeting. More details to follow.
- Ben Myers offered us access to his classroom for Chapter activities during weekday business hours (scheduled in advance). Because of Woodcraft's publicly offered classes, the classroom is generally not available on weekends.
- Mikel Levine offered to hold a Marquetry/parquetry workshop in future months. This will be held on a Saturday at a venue to be determined.
- A Chapter organization was proposed. No formal structure is needed, but rather a group of teams who take responsibility for specific chapter functions. The areas we need to staff up are shown below with the names of those who signed up at the meeting. As can be seen, we're off to a good start, but there are still some areas that need support, especially the Education and Community Service Teams. We are asking members to consider how they are going to help the group flourish. PP Chapter members can respond to Jim Barry by email to volunteer to join in whatever area(s) they can contribute.

Area / Volunteers	Individual Task areas
Meeting support Team	
Bil Schlittler, Jim Barry, Joe Lenhoff	Meeting Presiders
	Arrange Meeting presentations or demos
	Setup/teardown lead
Ken Sanders	Refreshments
Doug Groves	Show & Tell coordinator
Del Cox	Audio/Visual support
	Photography
Finance Team	
Dave Zarsky	Raffles/sales
Joe Lenhoff	Petty Cash management
Communications Team	
Joe Lenhoff	Prepare Meeting Notes
	Manage chapter roster/email address list
	Social media outreach
Woodworking Community Liaison Team	
Jim Barry	Woodcraft

Bill Schlittler	CO Lumber
Charlie House	Pikes Peak Woodturners
Del Cox	Pikes Peak Whittlers
David Sevier	Pikes Peak Makerspace
Mikel Levine	Rocky Mountain Marquetry Guild
Bill Healy	CNC User Group
Education Team	
	Workshops
Bruce Dellinger	Mentoring sessions
Dan Sullivan	Member shop tours
	Other tours
Community Service Team	
Tom Morgan	Liaison with service project beneficiaries
	Organize projects
	Group build days

.Jim Barry, Pikes Peak Chapter Lead & CWG Librarian

Toolbox Alerts

Rockler

- Rockler currently is offering \$20 off a purchase of \$100+. Online use code V288632. In the store you can use code RV288632, Their catalog also lists a number of exciting new products. Check it out at www.rockler.com.

Woodcraft

- Woodcraft is celebrating its 20th Anniversary and offering up to \$500 off SawShop saws. They are also offering from 10-50% off savings on a number of items including CNC machines, router template items, and HIGHPOINT hardware items, and a number of other sale items. Classes continue to be offered ranging in price from \$165 to multiple day classes at \$525.

[Editor's Note: We are looking for inputs from members each month on great woodworking tool and accessory deals that you are aware of and that are available sometime in the next month or so. The input should include a short description of the item(s), where they can be purchased with web address or location and phone info, price, and any info on your experience with the item(s). Items can include excess tools and items you want to get rid of. Call me at (719) 964-9570 if you know of an item and then I will ask you to submit a descriptive paragraph to me at JoeLenhoff@gmail.com, or to newsletter@colowood.com to add to this column. Toolbox Alert descriptions will have to be to me about 9-10 days before each meeting to get them into the newsletter.]

Joe Lenhoff, Newalette Editor & Publisher

CWG Sponsor Update

Paxton Woods - July Wood of the Month



- **4/4 Unsteamed Walnut**
- **\$5.75 / BF**
- **S2S 13/16" + SLR1E**
- **HL4394080-SAPT**

- **Regular Price \$7.75/BF**
- **Sale Price \$5.75/BF**
- **25% OFF**
- **Sold in Full Boards Only-This Cart Only**

Questions? Contact Dennis Stephens, denniss@paxtonwood.com

SPONSOR TOURS - August

Mike Boggess is hosting a Shop tour at his shop on:

Saturday, August 10, 2024

10 AM to 1 PM

at

546 University Blvd

Denver, CO 80206

Unlike our last tour of Mike Cunningham's, a professional woodworker, large shop, Mike Boggess has a smaller basement shop.

Please sign up by sending me an email or on the signup sheet at the July Monthly meeting on July 16th. I hope to see you there.

Larry Christensen

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Larry Christensen, CWG Sponsor Liaison

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Charlie's 2nd Hand Store, Inc., 2227 Larimer Street Denver, CO 80205. Phone: 303-295-1781. Website: www.usedtoolsplus.com

CO Lumber & Real Wood Furniture, 3636 N Stone Avenue Colorado Springs CO 80907 719-389-0100 Website: columber.net

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Frank Paxton Lumber Company, 4837 Jackson Street, Denver, CO 80216. Phone: 303-399-6047. Website: www.paxtonwood.com/denver.aspx

Just Rustic Custom Woodworking, 224 Main Street, Fort Morgan, CO 80701. Phone: 303-324-4342. Website: justrusticco.com

Rockler Woodworking and Hardware, 2553 S. Colorado Blvd, Denver, CO 80222 Phone: 303-782-0588. Website: www.rockler.com/retail/denver-colorado-hardware-store.cfm

Rocky Mountain Saw Blades, 2936 S Zuni St, Unit C Englewood CO 80110 303-761-3000 Website: rmsawblades.com

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Woodcraft of Denver. 6770 S. Peoria Street Centennial, CO 80112. Phone: 303-290-0007. Website: <http://www.woodcraft.com/stores/store.aspx?id=305>

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