

Colonial Woodcutter

Annapolis Woodworkers Guild

May 2020

Meetings Cancelled Until Further Notice

AWG President's Message

by Bob Ashby



This is your president just sharing a few thoughts: In this time of uncertainty as to what will be a new normal in our lives we need also to look at the future of our club. From my perspective, I need to know what we (your board) should do to keep your interests up during this time when meetings are impossible. We, (the board) have talked about a few things, but I also think we need to ask you, the membership, for input. Input could come in the form of a short article for the newsletter letting us know what you have been doing, or perhaps a review of a favorite tool or favorite wood or a description of a technique that works for you. Input could be to let us know about your concerns and/or problems you have with the way things are being handled. Input could be ideas you may have that could help keep things interesting when we must remain apart socially. Please send your input to me or the board. I know this is a hard time for everyone and if I or the board can do something to keep you, our membership, involved we will do it if possible.

There will be a time when we can have our meetings again—hopefully soon. I know that some of you will have concerns about getting together. Send me your concerns before then and we will see what we can do to address them. Please remember I am here to help and I will do what I can to make everyone one feel safe. If we work together we will get past this. I look forward to that next Guild meeting.

May Announcements

No May Meeting

No May Classes

Stay Safe, Stay at Home, Stay in your shop!

Harlan Ray

The passing of former long-time Guild member Harlan Ray , aged 91 of Davidsonville, Md, on May 4th was reported by Andy Borland. No further details were known at the time of publication of this newsletter .

Annapolis Woodworker's Guild Leader Needed

The Guild is in search of an individual for the position of First Vice President for the next year.

If you would like to be considered for this board position (or other board position) or if you would like to nominate an individual please contact a current board member

Future Classes

Would you be interested in future classes on the use/maintenance of routers? Perhaps in a class to help you make scroll saw boxes? Your board continues to actively look for class/demonstration ideas that would help broaden the interest and skills of a broad segment of Guild membership. If you are interested in the subject areas above or have another interest you would like your Guild to pursue once we are operating in normal mode again, contact one of your board members!

Cabin-19 Fever Show-N-Tell

Here we all are—now in week number — must be 95 —of confinement. Besides binge TV watching, what have others done in their “free time”? A few of our members have obviously quarantined in their shop and they have generously shared their creations. Perhaps there is an idea for you in this month’s collection? Enjoy the show and use ‘stay at home’ as an excuse to work off an item or two on that list of things we all know you are keeping—then share with us in next months newsletter.

Jack Hirrlinger writes:

This stool was built specifically for one purpose: to help with those inevitable repair jobs around the house. If the problem is up high, you can stand on it. If the problem is down low, you can sit on it. This is actually the second one I made. The first one didn’t feel comfortable when I stood on it. So I put it out with the trash cans on pick up day. Someone must have liked it better than I did, because it was gone before the trash man arrived. I do hope that they are careful when they stand on it.

The “plan B” stool is a tad wider, and it feels stable when you stand on it. It measures 11 1/2 inches wide. The other dimensions are 16 inches long, and 12 3/4 inches high. It has a handy compartment big enough to carry necessary tools and supplies. A 7 inch piece of 1 1/4 inch dowel was cut right down the middle resulting in two 7 inch half dowels, and these were placed under either side of the slot where you stick your hand. This gives you a very comfortable grip to wrap your fingers around when you are carrying it. Rubber strips were glued onto the bottom of the legs.



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Rick Hodgdon sent the following :

The legs and some other parts are maple. The veneer is quilted maple. Other wood used includes walnut, ebony and a bit of lacewood. Balance concerned me (the front was heavy), so I melted five pounds of lead and formed a sheet, which was placed in the rear of the pulpit.

Ok, this one is a bit over the top! Last month we saw Ricks pulpit project as bits and pieces, glue and clamps (like on the right). This month, well, a masterpiece has emerged! Soon it will be on it's way to a church in Virginia. I hope you enjoyed yourself in whatever you did Rick—this seems like a whole lot of penance to me! - Ed.



Cast lead plate for balance

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Chris Desautels sends:

I made a unique cart for my lathe. I have a Rikon midi lathe with an extension bed that is used for spindle turning of furniture parts. The problem is my shop is very small and there is literally no room for a conventional cart that can hold the lathe with the extension bed installed.

Previously, the lathe, without the extension bed, lived on a cart that also holds my chop saw. Whenever I needed the extension bed I would attach it with the end resting on my workbench. But attaching the extension is difficult. The bolts are hard to access and it has to be carefully aligned before tightening them down. All in all a pretty unpleasant process.

So, I built the pictured cart whose footprint is a fraction of what a conventional cart's would be. If the design



looks a bit odd it's because I built it from shop scraps. If it works out I may build a new more refined one. The open back side is because I didn't have



enough plywood to make the whole thing with plywood. But as it turns out it provides an easy access for optional lathe parts. So I may keep it if I build a new one. Maybe add some shelves. The axis of rotation is the exact height needed to match my workbench. In order to get as much weight as possible on the downward facing side, I used 2" dolly wheels instead of the more conventional 3" or 4" you would use for heavy equipment.

My only concern was vibration. But the lathe is surprisingly heavy and if I stick to spindle turning I've found vibration is not an issue. I turned the legs on this 3 legged stool and vibration was not a problem. I'm sure if I stuck a big hunk of wood on it for a bowl, vibration would be a real problem. But I'm not concerned. I have no interest in that kind of turning.



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Phil Christenson provided the following:

This tile top table helped fill our need for more space for our growing collection of house plants. The tapered legs & frame are constructed from cherry and the aprons are sycamore. The legs were made using Steve Latta's tapering jig - which is very easy to use and make.

Most of the finishing was done prior to assembly, so that the sycamore & cherry could be handled differently. Following a coat of amber shellac, the cherry was stained with a Minwax penetrating oil stain (a home made blend). Then, one coat of Watco Danish oil (natural) was followed by two or three coats of Watco Wipe-on Poly (satin). The Watco polyurethane is thicker than many other polyurethanes and has much less odor. Although slower drying, it worked well for me. The sycamore was coated with a water based polyurethane which imparted very little if any color to the sycamore. After assembly and installation of the tile & grout, a final coated of Watco poly was applied.

My next project is a cabinet made out of poplar to match some of the other pieces in the room. By now it is mostly done with the finishing step still in progress.



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Harry Chavez sent:

I designed and built this sander station to hold my palm sanders.

I got this plan to hold my battery drills and added the top shelf to hold other power hand tools.

I designed and built this lower Height table to hold my sand flea sander and belt sander but could also fit my table drill press.

I purchased this plan for a flip cart to hold my Dewalt planer and Rigid oscillating spindle sander. Both use the same dust collector hose you see hanging in the back.

This is a great way to have two tools in the same space. It is quite easy to flip the tools.

I also hung out with Paul Dodson sometimes and we both made these boxes you see in the front. The two in the back are band saw boxes I made on my own.

We flocked all the inside of the drawers or compartments. I'll send final pics next time for all these boxes.



Segmented Cuts

Product Recommendation - by Jim Francis

MOHAWK Liquid Wool-Lube



A concentrated lubricant that eliminates the need for rubbing oil and solvents. This rubbing lubricant is a multi-purpose rubbing compound in either liquid or paste form made to prepare all finished wood surfaces. Water soluble, nontoxic, contains no silicones. Excellent for removing pack marks. Gives a smooth clear finish. Use with Steel Wool or Abrasive Pads. Furniture rubbed with Wool-Lube rubbing lubricant may be re-coated with lacquer or wax with good adhesion. Finally, Wool-Lube rubbing lubricant does not gum up on the finished surface. Just wipe clean with a cloth and the furniture is ready to be waxed or polished.

Pen Making

Want to learn the “Ins and Outs” of making fine writing instruments? Dennis Harvey has volunteered to tutor anyone interested in learning how to make keepsakes that will be treasured by yourself and others. Dennis Harvey—find him at the next meeting or call 240-463-4641.



It's a bit of 'Aussie Burl' - At one time available at Exotic Hardwoods—lots of character and fun to turn

For Sale

For Sale: Shopsmith Mark V, Model 510 plus a lot of accessories, including the bandsaw. Asking \$1750 or best offer.



Contact Paul Dodson

(410) 984-8488

If interested or if you have questions



Mentors and Problem Solution

Want to learn a new skill? AWG has many member-mentors to help you. See the list below to contact one.

Have a vexing woodworking problem? There may be many other members with the same situation. AWG has a “problem box” where you can anonymously place your problem or question for discussion and possible solutions at the next meeting. You will find the box at a table near the meeting hall entrance door.

AWG Member Mentors

Last Name	First Name	Phone	E-mail	Mentor Subject
Ames	Don	410-268-0509	dfames@verizon.net	Use and maintenance of Edge Tools (planes, chisels, scrapers)
Applegate	Patrick	410-426-8287	patrick__applegate@comcast.net	Finishing with Shellac (brushed and padded)
Arndt	Michael	410-960-3239	MarylandWoodPro@gmail.com	General wood finishing and finish restoration/repair
Ashby	Bob	410-969-2910	toolsrus58@comcast.net	Shapers, router tables and tooling for same
Borland	Andy	410-647-1242	AHBorland@aol.com	Box making
Chavez	Harry	410-863-5940	harry.chavez@gmail.com	Intarsia
Dodson	Paul	410-760-5382	pdwoodcrafts@verizon.net	Scroll saws and scrolling
Harvey	Dennis	240-463-4641	denharv@aol.com	Pen making
Hirrlinger	Jack	410-798-1339	tjhirr@verizon.net	Toys, tricks and puzzles
Luck	Jim	410-647-6622	jfl639@verizon.net	Inlay and shaker boxes
McDonald	Chris	410-326-1685	cmcdonald@thewavaz.com	Cabinets

Administration

AWG OFFICERS (June 2019 —May 2020 Term)

President – Bob Ashby

1st Vice President – Bruce Mitchell

2nd Vice President – Rick Hodgdon

Secretary – Jim Menefee

Treasurer – Vince Antonioli

Tour Coordinator – Harlan Ray

Program Chairperson – Chris Desautels and
Phil Christenson

Newsletter Editor – Carl Wick

Historian - Jim Francis

Endowment Coordinator – Bill Carbin

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Show Coordinator– Candee Van Iderstine

Show & Tell Coordinator – Bill Carbin

Special Projects Coordinator – Harlan Ray

Membership Chairperson – Tom Dettweiler

Librarian—Lloyd Gleason

Charity Coordinator—Andy Borland

Webmaster— Tyler Quevedo

Education Chair—Rick Hodgdon

MEMBERSHIP and MEETINGS

Membership is open to all interested Woodworkers.

Annual Dues: New Members Joining between Jan and June: \$50; joining between July and Sept \$25; Free between Oct and Jan, but be sure to “re-up” the following year!

General Membership Meetings:

2nd Thursday of each month 7 PM

Davidsonville United Methodist Church

819 Route 214, Davidsonville, MD

Executive Board Meetings:

3rd Thursday of the Month at 7 PM

By phone/video UFN

contact a board member for invitation

All are welcome at board meetings

CONTACT INFORMATION

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The following vendors support AWG



Wurth Wood Group, 6660 Santa Barbara Road, Elkridge, MD 21075

410-796-7600 WWW.Wurthwoodgroup.com



Hartville Tools, Hartville, OH

800-345-2396 WWW.Hartvilletool.com



Exotic Lumber Company, 1610 Whitehall Road, Annapolis, MD 21409

410-349-1705 WWW.Exoticlumber.com



Somerset Door and Column Company, 174 Sagamore Street, Somerset, PA 15501

800-242-7916 WWW.Doorandcolumn.com

The following vendors support AWG



Bruso Hardware LLC, 67-69 Greylock Avenue, Belleville, NJ 07109

212-337-8510 WWW.Brusso.com



Klingspor 2555 Tate Boulevard Southeast, Hickory, NC 28603

800-645-5555 WWW.Klingspor.com



American Woodcrafters Supply 212 East Main, Box G, Riceville, IA 50466

800-995-4032 WWW.Americanwoodcrafterssupply.com



Lake Erie Toolworks 1234 Irwin Drive, Erie, PA 16505

815-528-4337 WWW.LakeErieToolworks.com/Pages/Club

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