

The Colonial Woodcutter

The Newsletter of the Annapolis Woodworkers Guild

Meeting 7:00 PM February 9, Davidsonville United Methodist Church



FEBRUARY MEETING SPEAKERS

John Potvin

Thomas Point Light House

Suzanne Konigkramer and Nick Stroup

Exotic Lumber, Inc

February 2023

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Help Wanted: Newsletter Photographer

The newsletter committee is looking for a member who will volunteer to take pictures during the meetings. The pictures will be used to illustrate the reports in the newsletter. This is an unpaid position, but you won’t have to bother with any annoying perks. Contact the editor for details.

Newsletter Submissions

If you have new projects, tools or fixtures that may interest to others, or if you have found a wood related news story, please share them with the Guild. Send a description, with pictures if possible, for inclusion in the *Colonial Woodcutter* to the editor, Duncan Adams at duncanladams@gmail.com. Items submitted by the first Thursday of the month will be published.

Many thanks to those who contributed to this months’ issue.

February 2023 President's Message

Greetings to all fellow guild members,

This may have already been mentioned but I just wanted to remind all, especially those of us living in a more northern sector of the guild, that Woodcraft will be opening a new store in the Timonium area. According to their flyer they hope to open in summer of 2023.

The 2023 budget has been submitted and approved by the board. In order to cover last year's deficit as well as to potentially avoid a deficit this year the toy shop budget has been cut by approximately \$1,000.00 from what our expenditures were last year. We will be pursuing donations to cover this anticipated shortfall. Any and all donations are appreciated. In spite of the inflationary times we are currently experiencing, members of the toy group have unanimously agreed to continue working this year without a raise. Haha, even a 10% raise on zero would still be zero. We work for the good feelings we get at time of distribution and knowing that we are contributing to a good thing.



While on the subject of guild financials, please be aware that our membership dues are only about 50% paid. These dues are scheduled to be paid in January for the upcoming year. If you are able to attend our February general meeting please come prepared to get square with Vince Antonioli and or Rodger Young. Once you have paid or if you have already paid please see Vince and or Tom Dettweiler to get your red sticker for your name tag to indicate that you have paid for the year. Obviously please remember to bring and wear your name tag so you can be stickerized. For our new members please make sure to check in with Tom to ensure that your name tag is at least in production.

The committee to review the bylaws and make any proposed changes is scheduled to meet on February 11th. Prior to this upcoming general meeting please feel free to visit the website for your own review of the bylaws. If you have comments or concerns please put them in writing and they will be collected at the general meeting for the committee's use at our review meeting. In your review please consider the guild's goals in Article II. Our membership is still considerably short of it's pre-Covid levels. We have kept our annual membership dues at a manageable level for all. But relative to the above budget discussion it should be apparent that with fewer members our flexibility to achieve our intended goals is also impacted. I believe the sweet spot is in the neighborhood of 130-140 members to provide maximum flexibility. Please keep this in mind and do your best to recruit new members from your friends and family and acquaintances. We have some things in the works but nothing immediate. Maybe it will just take more time. Meanwhile retention is a priority. Please make sure to welcome new members. I do recall that when I first joined I was a little intimidated by the talent and skill levels that some of the members displayed. Thankfully in time I realized that some of those were the exception and not the rule. We all started at the bottom.

Lastly the nomination committee has been selected and will be meeting soon. Any input from the general membership is welcome. Looking forward to seeing you all at the next general meeting.

Thanks,
Ken Davis

February Monthly Meeting

Thursday, February 9th, 2023, 7:00PM

Davidsonville United Methodist Church

819 W Central Ave, Davidsonville, MD 21035

All are welcome to join us for our February meeting of the Guild and consider contributing to the “show-n-tell.”

If you have an item you wish to show bring it to any meeting, leave it on the front table. There you will find a sign up clip board. Please write your name and description of the item. When your turn comes describe your project including wood species, finish, special techniques you used and any unusual problem you had to solve.

If you want to show off a project that is too large to bring to the meeting you have the option of showing your work via video. If you want to present a video at the meeting contact Chris Desautels before the meeting date at: Christopher.desautels@gmail.com or 301-332-8490.

February Speakers:

EXOTIC LUMBER,INC

1610 Whitehall Rd,Annapolis, MD 2140

Suzanne Konigkramer and Nick Stroup will be at our February meeting to make a presentation about Exotic Lumber. They will tell us about the history of the company and discuss the products they sell and the services they provide. Briefly, Exotic Lumber is a specialty lumberyard with over thirty years experience and over 150 species of wood in stock. Their mission is to provide a wide selection of the finest lumber available and they have served all manners of woodworkers including cabinetmakers, boat builders, contractors, wood turners and hobbyists over the years. Exotic Lumber now has a new online store. This presentation will be a good opportunity for members to learn about what Exotic Lumber has to offer. In addition, please check out their web page: www.exoticlumber.com

THOMAS POINT SHOALS LIGHTHOUSE

John Potvin, the Thomas Point Shoals Lighthouse Manager, will present a brief history of the lighthouse and discuss the preservation activities over the past few years and what is coming up this Spring. Several Guild members have volunteered their time and skills to help restore and maintain the lighthouse. In addition, he will highlight some of the recent pictures taken by David Sites that have captured different, unusual and beautiful views of this historic lighthouse.

February Raffle Items

Beginner's pen turning kit



\$50 Woodcraft gift card



JB Weld hat with JB WaterWeld



Notice to All Guild Members

Please remember that Guild dues for 2023 are over due. You can pay your \$50 dues by check, made out to AWG and mailed to the treasurer Vince Antonioli at the address below. You can also pay via PayPal through the web site.

Vince Antonioli
23408 Neck Road
Aquasco, MD 20608

January Meeting

President Ken Davis opened the meeting and attended to routine business. He took the opportunity to welcome three guests attending their first meeting after discovering the Guild at the Woodshow.



Guest Speaker

Greg Doney, manager of Rockler's Fairfax, VA Store

This month's speaker was Greg Doney who is the manager of the new Rockler store which opened last June in Fairfax, VA. Greg told us about his store, its staff of woodworkers and the services they offer including on site classes. He informed us that the Fairfax store offers a 10% discount for AWG members and that it can be applied to phone orders placed through the Fairfax store.



Show and Tell

Harry Chavez brought a kalimba (finger piano). This is a trial piece he made to learn about the properties of the design. He'll be making more going forward.



Rodger Young continues to experiment with various wood for turning bowls. The two large bowls on the left are mulberry. The others are walnut and cherry.

Bill Schneck showed off this beautiful spice cabinet with drawers loaded with secret spaces.



Phil Carrol designed this side table to sit beside his computer station and keep important items handy – notably scotch.

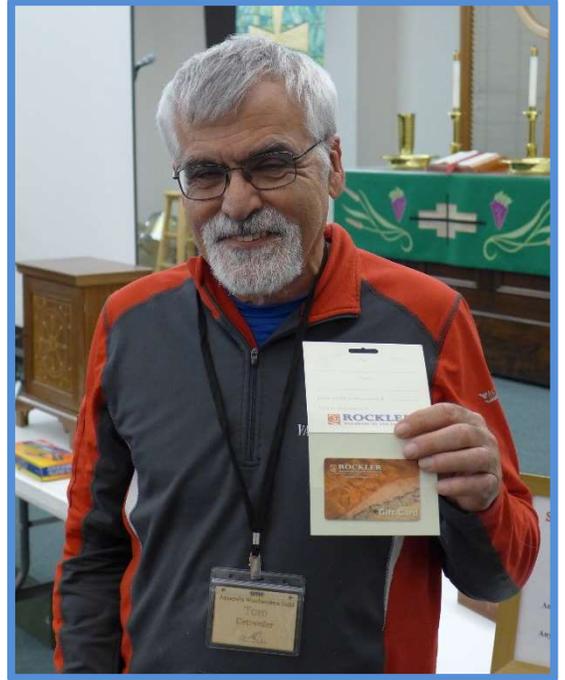


January Raffle Winners

The winners of the regular monthly raffle items are pictured below along with their prizes.



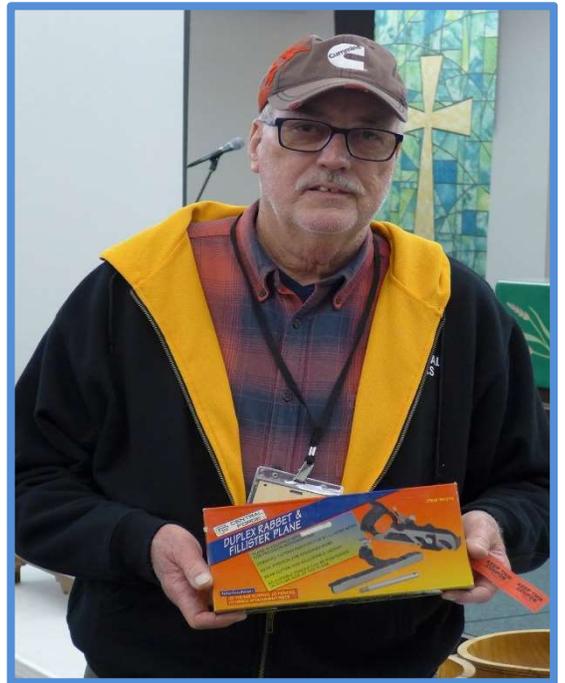
Paul Dodson, per usual,
conducted the January raffle



Tom Detweiler won the \$50
Rockler gift card



On his first visit to an AWG
meeting Nick Jedrich won a Dubby
board donated by Don Ames



Bruce Mitchell won a Central
Forge Duplex Rabbet & Fillister
Plane

Education

Router Class

Bob Ashby and Rick Hodgden will be offering a basic class in the use of hand held routers. At the general meeting February 9th they will circulate a sign-up sheet to see what members are interested and able to attend. If you are interested but unable to attend the meeting you can email Rick at mattaponiguy@gmail.com. Bob and Rick are flexible with regard to holding a one day class either on a weekend or weekday and the date will be set after they know who plans to attend and their preferred days. The class should be able to accommodate 6 members, in addition to Bob and Rick, in Rick's shop in Upper Marlboro.

Subjects they plan to cover:

1. Basic care of the router and bits
2. How to safely operate and set up the router
3. Direction of cutting, placing a bit into the router
4. Different bit types and when each is used
5. Use of straight edge, flush cutter, rub collets and templates
6. How to minimize tear-out and get the cleanest cut
7. Discuss the different types of routers and their advantages
8. Have a discussion on problems we have experienced such as burning, tear out, chattering.
9. Cutting speed
10. Plunge routing
11. Using a trammel
12. Using a router table
13. Working with different species of wood

We encourage those in attendance to bring their router(s) and bits Along with safety glasses.

Lunch will be supplied.

2023 Woodshow

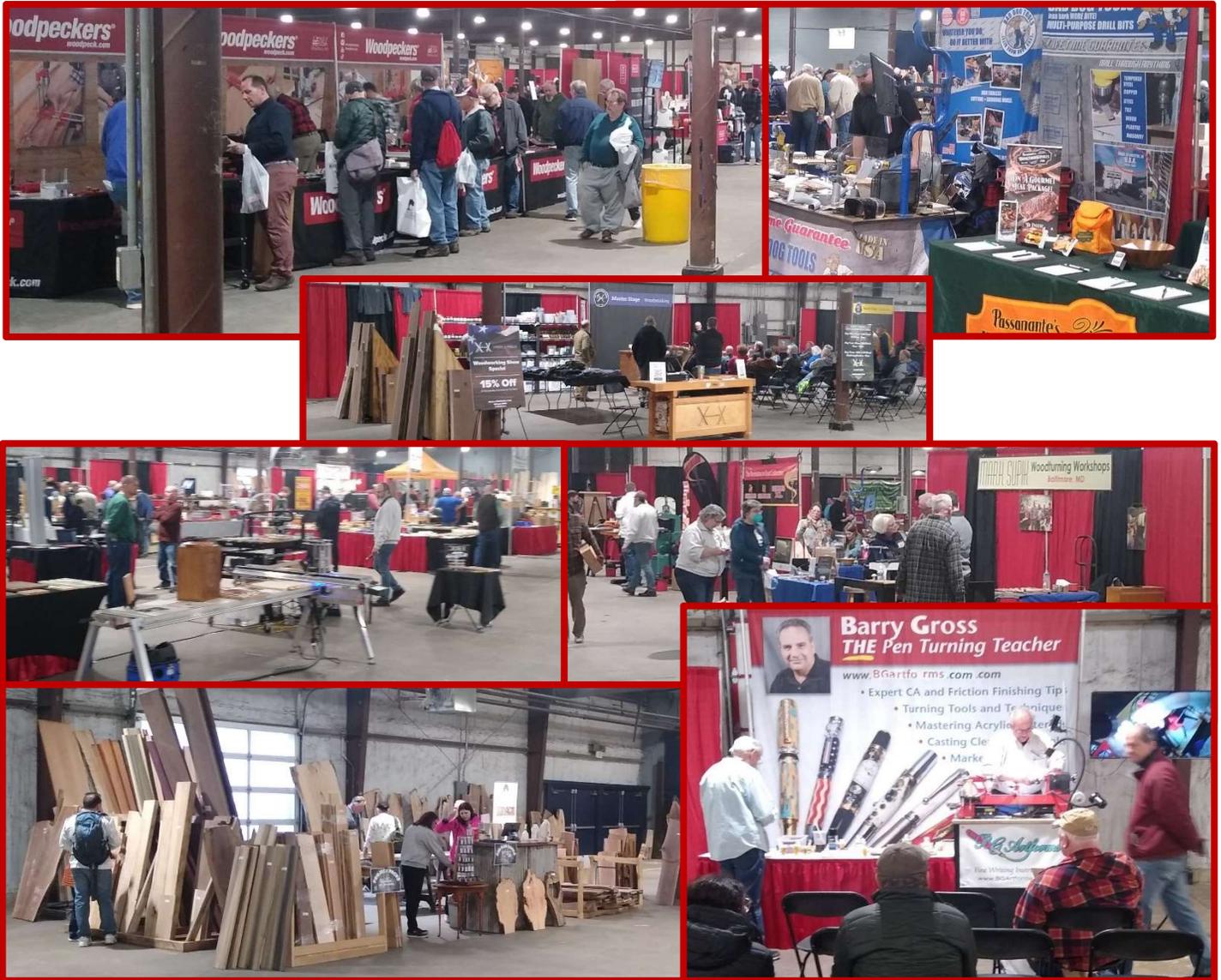
After two years missed due to COVID the Baltimore Woodworking Show returned to the Maryland State Fair Grounds in Timonium. It was apparently put together on short notice, which probably accounts for the light turn out by vendors. Guild members who were there reported that there was very little traffic on Friday but Saturday was very busy.

The Guild's booth is pictured below. At bottom right Harry Chavez promotes the guild while Art Mensch and Rodger Young stand by.





Here's a sampling of vendors, shoppers and classes.



White Oak for Guild Members

Rick Hodgden is offering the guild members 1 – 1/8 inch thick kiln dried white oak. All of the boards are rough sawn, some are quarter or rift sawn, and the lengths are approximately nine feet. For modest quantities Rick will help plane the boards. For questions contact Rick via email or text.

mattaponiguy@gmail.com

301-537-0290

Pictures of the solar kiln and oak



Toy Workshop Feedback

Janet Liimatta
201 E. 11th Avenue
Brooklyn Park, Maryland 21225

January 9, 2022

Dear Andy Borland and the Annapolis Woodworking Guild Toy Workshop,

I wanted to thank you on behalf of Park Elementary for donating your handcrafted wooden toys to our PreK and K students. The teachers shared how much the students enjoyed receiving them. The craftsmanship was amazing. Our families are so appreciative of the support during the holiday season. We are so thankful to have community partners like you.

In gratitude,

Janet Liimatta

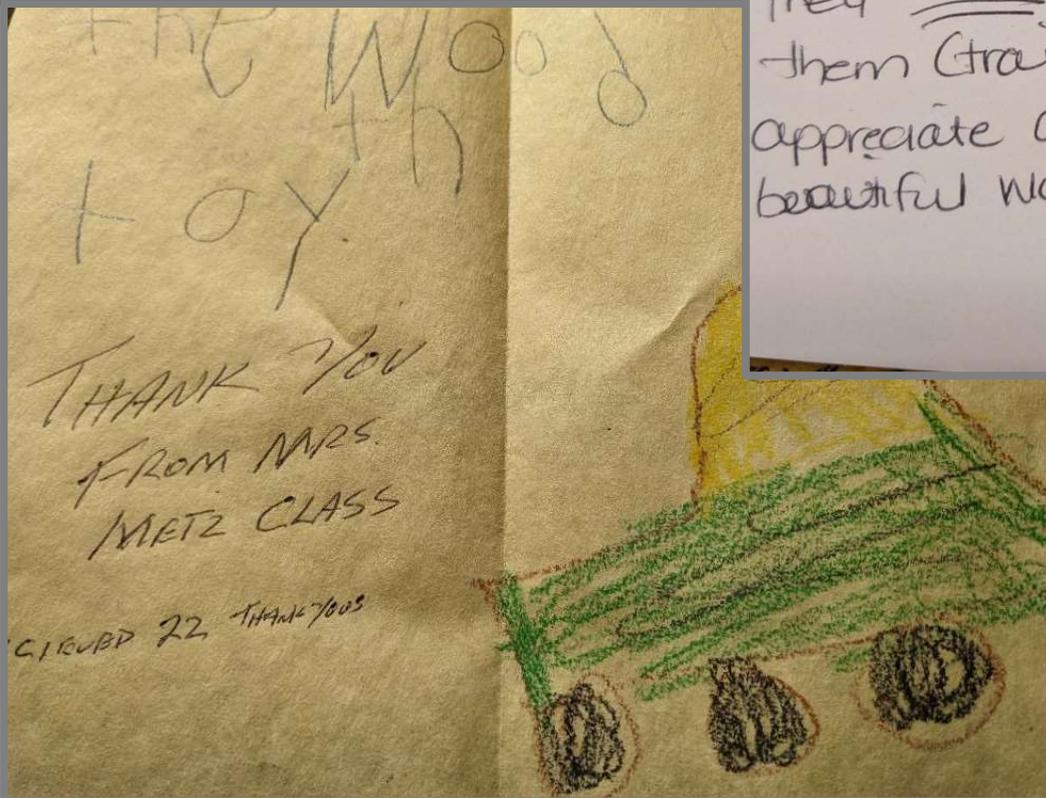
Community School Program Manager

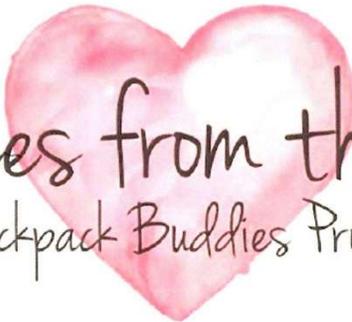
Park Elementary School

Andy,

Thank you and the Guild for your wonderful creations. They brought such joy to our students. I also added several pieces to my construction and engineering center and they LOVE playing with them (train, cars). We appreciate all of your beautiful work.

Warm Regards,
Jose Wisnall
PRE-K
Teacher
Overlook
ES





Services from the Heart

Backpack Buddies Program

December 22nd, 2022

Dear Mr. Andy Borland,

On behalf of Services from the Heart, we would like to thank the Annapolis Woodworkers Guild for providing wooden toys for the families we serve. We are very grateful for your donation; the items were distributed to children/families in Anne Arundel County over the Christmas Holiday.

Supporting Services from the Heart is one of the direct ways to give back to the community and lend a hand to those in need. Our goal is to ensure that each student that is in need of a food backpack receives one. Children who receive the majority of their meals at school (breakfast and lunch) should not have to go hungry over weekends and holidays. **Hunger does not stop on the weekend;** therefore, it is essential that we provide this service to students who are at risk of experiencing a food shortage.

For the 2022-23 school year we are currently providing 107 children with weekly food bags. Thank you for supporting our Backpack Buddies Program! For more information, please visit our website at www.Communityservicesfromtheheart.com.

We are grateful for your generous support...***we are all connected!***

With Gratitude,



Donna Wilson-Johnston, LMSW

President & Founder

EIN# 38-3897461

Services from the Heart, Inc. is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization. Your contribution is tax deductible to the extent Allowed by law. No goods or services were provided in exchange for your financial donation.

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Severna Park, MD 21146

443-995-9198

AWG Member Mentors

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 (when we are back in session at the church). Until then send your problems to the editor, President, or other AWG officer.

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 & finish restoration/repair
Ashby	Bob	410-969-2910	toolsrus58@comcast.net	Shapers, router tables and tooling for same
Carbin	Bill	410-647-0393	carbinwilliamj@yahoo.com	Box making
Chavez	Harry	410-863-5940	harry.chavez@gmail.com	Intarsia
Dodson	Paul	410-984-8488	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

AWG OFFICERS

(June 2022 — May 2023 Term)

President – Ken Davis

1st Vice President – Carl Wick

2nd Vice President – Bill Schneck

Secretary – Jim Menefee

Co-Treasurers – Vince Antonioli and
Rodger Young

Tour Coordinator – Open

Program Chairperson – Chris Desautels and
Phil Christenson

Newsletter Editor – Duncan Adams

Historian - Open

Endowment Coordinator – Bill Carbin

Entertainment Coordinator – Paul Dodson

Show Coordinator– Open

Show & Tell Coordinator – Bill Carbin

Special Projects Coordinator – Open

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! For current members 2020 dues roll over into 2021!

General Membership Meetings:

2nd Thursday of each month 7 PM

Davidsonville United Methodist Church

819 W Central Ave, Davidsonville, MD 21035

Executive Board Meetings:

4th Thursday of the Month at 7 PM

By phone/video until further notice

All are welcome at board meetings

Contact a board member for invitation

CONTACT INFORMATION

Correspondence:

Website:

Annapolis Woodworkers Guild

Annapoliswoodworkers.org

P.O. Box 6001

Annapolis, MD 21401

AWG's Supporting Vendors



Exotic Lumber Company

1610 Whitehall Road, Annapolis, MD 21409
410-349-1705 WWW.Exoticlumber.com



Rockler Woodworking & Hardware

12975 Fair Lakes Shopping Center Ste 2975
Fairfax, VA 22033
571-435-8030
<https://www.rockler.com/retail/stores/va/fairfax-store>



Somerset Door and Column Company

174 Sagamore Street, Somerset, PA 15501
800-242-7916 WWW.Doorandcolumn.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



Bruso Hardware LLC
67-69 Greylock Avenue
Belleville, NJ 07109
212-337-8510 WWW.Brusso.com



Lake Erie Toolworks
1234 Irwin Drive, Erie, PA 16505
815-528-4337
WWW.LakeErieToolworks.com/Pages/Club
10% Online Discount Code: **AWG10**



Würth 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

MARYLAND SELECT HARDWOODS
7470 Mason Springs Road, La Plata, Maryland
301-743-2225 Dennis.Woodruff@gmail.com

Timberline Farms Sawmill
Arnold Sewell, owner/operator
13000 Old Frederick Rd, Sykesville, MD
Phone (410) 707-0158