

# Colonial Woodcutter

*Annapolis Woodworkers Guild*

June 2019

Meeting 7:00 PM June 13th Davidson United Methodist Church

## AWG President's Message

by Rick Hodgdon



Fellow Woodworkers,

Well, this past year has gone by very quickly for me as your Guild President. Thanks for putting up with my laid-back style.

The most important item on my mind is the lack of a replacement for Phil Christenson, our current Program Chairman. I know there must be a member (a reluctant one perhaps) who has the time and energy to contribute to the guild in this capacity. Please step up and volunteer ... or we will initiate the draft!

Candee Van Iderstine has proposed a challenging contest for the fall, two contests really. The first is an opportunity to show your skill in turning, the second is to create a stylish box. Her proposal is to have a show and tell of the projects at the November meeting in lieu of a speaker with voting for some awards. We will look forward to hearing more about this when Candee returns from her vacation for the July meeting. Stay tuned!

Finally, Jim Francis is looking for two additional members who would be interested in attending the sharpening class at Troy Beal's shop in July. Please give that some thought .

Sadly, I will miss the June meeting, My son's birthday is on Flag Day so I will be celebrating his 45<sup>th</sup> in Denver.

## June Featured Speaker

**Chris Holmgren**  
**Seneca Creek Joinery**



[www.woodsurgeon.com](http://www.woodsurgeon.com)

Chris Holmgren has been a carpenter and joiner for over 40 years. In the mid 1990's he started concentrating more on hand tool work and 18th century American furniture. He and his wife became involved in an urban and suburban wood harvest project that has shaped the business model that they still use today. Chris' *Seneca Creek Joinery* is located in Dickerson, Maryland, about 30 miles west of Washington, DC.

For additional information please see his web site at [www.woodsurgeon.com](http://www.woodsurgeon.com)

## Of Interest

### Cooling Wood

(contributor: Phil Christenson)

As woodworkers we all appreciate that wood is an amazingly versatile material, but few of us would guess that a product made from wood could actually be used to cool buildings.

Heating and cooling buildings uses about 1/3 of the electricity produced in the US. Recently, scientists Liangbing Hu of the university of Maryland, College Park and Xiabo Yin at the University of Colorado, Boulder and their co-workers have devised a scalable process to convert wood to a material capable of passively cooling buildings. The process involves chemically removing lignin and then compressing the remaining wood to provide a dense material that is structurally stronger than steel.

The material, which is composed of cellulose nanofibers, essentially reflects visible light, which greatly limits the heat absorbed. But, more remarkably, this “cooling wood” also strongly emits infrared radiation (which we sense as heat). Model studies indicate that energy savings of 20 - 60 % can be achieved using this material depending on the type of building and its location - much better prospects in Arizona than in Maine. Although it is far from being commercial, this discovery is - I can't resist saying it- pretty cool!

For more details see Google “cooling wood” or see the May 24 issue of Science magazine, p760.

### Slate of New Officers for 2019

The following individuals have been nominated for AWG officer positions

For the period June 2019 to May 2020:

Bob Ashby—President

Tom Dettweiler — Membership Chmn

Bruce Mitchell — 1st Vice President

Jim Menefee — Secretary

Rick Hodgdon — 2nd Vice President

(Open) — Program Chmn

Vince Antonioli — Treasurer

## Of Interest

—From Andy Borland—

This class assignment shows just one of the many positive things that come from the toys our volunteers build and give away. In this case it was a local elementary school.

Look at the photograph. What is happening in the photograph?



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I am putting signs  
for these toys not to  
pass there. The train is  
moving. The train has wheels.

# Show and Tell

Each month we all benefit from the experiences of our members as they display and explain their latest woodworking creations. Here are May Show-N-Tell participants:



## Candee and Rich Van Iderstine

Candee and Rich displayed their pen-making skills—more than just pen pals, me thinks...



## Paul Dodson

Paul brought a scroll-saw plaque and keepsakes—Many keepsakes—he created for a wedding reception.



## Art Mench

Art constructed this fine outdoor bench - a Mench Bench? (Rick Hodgdon performing some heavy lifting)

# Show and Tell



## Win Allred

Win, a prolific scroller, displayed an ornate dragon plaque and several ornaments that he has constructed.

## Bruce Morse and Bernie Lammers

Bruce and Bernie brought photos of several props that they made for London Towne theatrical productions.



## Hugh Houghton

Hugh showed his latest turning creation—a turned coco bolo pepper mill. Spicy!

## Show and Tell



### John Fahnestock

John presented a pair of very fine basswood memory boxes. Thanks for the memories, John!

### Kem King

Kem, ever the innovator, presented his solution to the never ending problem of the tipping paint can. Wait a minute Kem... you're the photographer! Who took this pic?



### Jack Hirrlinger

Mission Impossible? At the May meeting Rick Hodgdon gave Jack a heart shaped puzzle box to open--- Rick had apparently given up in his quest to open it and sent it to the PM (Puzzle Master) to crack. Did Jack succeed? Turn the page.....

# Operation Heart-Breaker

**Mission:** Open a heart shaped puzzle box – maybe valuable stuff inside?

**Mission Specialists:** Jack Hirrlinger, Twyla Hirrlinger puzzle -box-crackers 1st Class

**Narrative:** (*Jack H speaking*) At our May meeting Rick Hodgdon gave me a puzzle to see if I could solve it. It is a wooden heart that, if you do the right moves, will come apart.

I tried to solve it, unsuccessfully.

Then my wife, Twyla, took a shot at it, and was able to take the puzzle apart. She used the (Top Secret) tap and turn and tap and turn method.

Once it was apart, and we were able to take a look at the innards, we saw that it was a centrifugal force puzzle. You set the puzzle on a flat surface and give it a spin and it comes apart. Unfortunately, the puzzle is well worn, and the pieces don't align quite as good as they should, so it may take a few tries, but it does still work.

**Resolution:** Mission Complete! Our Heart-y Congratulations!





# Raffle

A **Main Raffle** is held each month except April and August. Tickets are \$1 each. Raffles typically include a \$50 gift certificate and 1 or 2 other selected items.

A **Big Raffle** is held each April and August. Tickets for the Big Raffle are \$5.00 each.

Raffle tickets may be purchased at the meeting hall entrance table

## May Raffle Winners



## \$1 Raffle for June 2019

A \$50 Klingspor Gift Certificate and a 29pc set of Fisch Brad Point Bits



**Remember**  
***U Gotta Play to Win!!***

**Get a Ticket**  
**and**  
**Good Luck!!**



## Woodworking Classes

Troy Beall's **Annapolis Woodworks** school in Davidsonville will offer the following classes to AWG members this spring/summer. The Guild will provide a subsidy of \$25.00 to each attendee. Each class will need a minimum of 5 students to be held and can accommodate a maximum of 10 students.

### **Sharpening: weekday July 19, weekend June 22**

Course Description: This class is designed to help woodworkers understand the principles of sharpening. With newfound skills, students will be able to sharpen anything. This class requires tools...dull ones that are ready to be sharpened. Sharpening may include turning chisels, bench, mortise, paring chisels, any shape or size carving chisels, plane irons, chain saw blades and hand saws (cross cut or rip). Classes run from 8:30am to 5:00 pm with a half hour lunch break.

Tuition: \$135.00 Materials fee included **Cost to you: \$110.00**

**Notes: This is a one-day class for either weekday (July 19) or weekend (June 22) dates. Please pay for this class by the 13 June Guild meeting.**

**This class has not been filled and needs two more participants to reach minimum numbers.**

# Segmented Cuts

## Duck Carvings Wanted

The **Patuxent Research Refuge** in Laurel, MD is hosting the **2019 Federal Duck Stamp Art Contest** on Sept. 27 & 28, 2019. As part of this event, the Refuge will have on display hand carved ducks and waterfowl from various artists. This is a great opportunity to display your work to waterfowl enthusiasts from around the country.

Refuge staff will be selecting works from decoy artists for display at the September Duck Stamp Contest in the upcoming months. If you are interested in being considered for this event, please send photos of your original works to:

Diana Ogilvie, Visitor Services Park Ranger, Volunteer Coordinator  
[diana\\_ogilvie@fws.gov](mailto:diana_ogilvie@fws.gov) 301-497-5565

For more information about the Patuxent Research Refuge, go to

<https://www.fws.gov/refuge/Patuxent/>

For more information about the Federal Duck Stamp Art Contest, go to

<https://www.fws.gov/birds/get-involved/duck-stamp/duck-stamp-contest-and-event-information.php>



## Speaking of Ducks...

A duck walks into a bar and asks the bartender: “Got any grapes?”

The bartender, confused, tells the duck “No”. The duck thanks him and leaves.

The next day the duck returns and asks: “Got any grapes?”

Again the bartender tells the duck “No — the bar does not serve grapes, has never served grapes and furthermore will never serve grapes”. The duck thanks him and leaves.

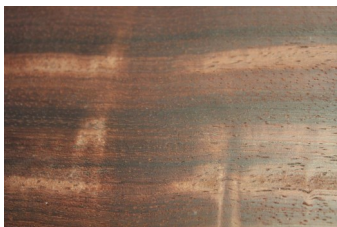
The following day the duck returns again, but before he can say anything the bartender yells: “Listen, duck! This is a bar! We do not serve grapes! If you ask for grapes again I will nail your stupid duck beak to the bar top!

The duck is silent for a moment, then asks: “Got any nails?”

Confused, the bar tender says “No!”.

“Good” says the duck. “Got any grapes?”

## Segmented Cuts



### Test your Wood Knowledge

Gadzook! Last months' Colonial Woodcutter backdrop was Padauk! Brilliant red when first cut, it ages to a fine burgundy hue. Watch out for the dust though—you may think you have visited Mars after crosscutting a piece of Padauk!

Starting this month, the Colonial Woodcutter panel will be revealed in the current newsletter—Take another look at the opening page, then check your answer below.

A **Fine Art and Craft Show** will be held November 9th and 10th at the Calvert High School, Prince Frederick, MD. The show is sponsored by Unique Boutique, an organization of crafts people. Please see [www.uniqueboutiquesomd.com](http://www.uniqueboutiquesomd.com) or contact Anja Zander, AWG Member (whose work appears on this web site.)

### 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.

### WANTED

Your latest project, your review of a new tool you bought, a class you took, a jig you constructed or found to be helpful. Share your woodworking experiences with other Guild members! It's simple: Sketch out what you want to say and send it to your friendly newsletter editor who will work with you to get your pictures and words into print. Send articles or inquiries to : [cewick70@gmail.com](mailto:cewick70@gmail.com)

**This months' plank: Canary Wood! Perfect for a box top or a bird house!**

## 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

# Administrative Page

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President – Rick Hodgdon

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2nd Vice President – Dave Tate

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Show & Tell Coordinator – Bill Carbin

Special Projects Coordinator – Harlan Ray

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## MEMBERSHIP and MEETINGS

**Membership is open to all interested Woodworkers. Annual dues are \$36.00**

**General Membership Meetings:**

**2nd Thursday of each month 7 PM**

**Davidsonville United Methodist Church**

**819 Route 214, Davidsonville, MD**

**Executive Board Meetings:**

**4th Thursday of each month 7 PM**

**Edgewater Police Department meeting room**

**35 Stepneys Lane, Edgewater, MD.**

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**[Annapoliswoodworkers.org](http://Annapoliswoodworkers.org)**

## The following vendors support AWG



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

410-796-7600 [WWW.Wurthwoodgroup.com](http://WWW.Wurthwoodgroup.com)



**Hartville Tools**, Hartville, OH

800-345-2396 [WWW.Hartvilletool.com](http://WWW.Hartvilletool.com)



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

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

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## The following vendors support AWG



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

212-337-8510 [WWW.Brusso.com](http://WWW.Brusso.com)



**Klingspor** 2555 Tate Boulevard Southeast, Hickory, NC 28603

800-645-5555 [WWW.Klingspor.com](http://WWW.Klingspor.com)



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

800-995-4032 [WWW.Americanwoodcrafterssupply.com](http://WWW.Americanwoodcrafterssupply.com)



**Lake Erie Toolworks** 1234 Irwin Drive, Erie, PA 16505

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