

# COLORADO Woodworkers GUILD

**November 2006**

*Encouraging all woodworkers in  
self-expression, craftsmanship and knowledge*

Mark Your Calendar for

**Tuesday, November 21st, 7-9pm**

Lumber Grading & Selection - Jack Egan

Jack Egan will present us with valuable information about lumber grading and selection. His experience at Paxton has taught him much about the subject so it's a great chance to pick his brain and learn how to get the best lumber for your dollar.

**Don't Miss...**

## **The Woodworking Show**

**Friday, November 17 / Noon - 7pm**

**Saturday, November 18 / 10am - 6pm**

**Sunday, November 19 / 10am - 4pm**

### **Denver Merchandise Mart**

Pavillion Building  
451 E. 58th Avenue  
Denver, CO 80216  
800-289-6278  
Parking: \$0.00

The Guild will have our own booth there again this year. If you can help out with the booth please contact Bill Hoppers - 303.424.6052.

## **Upcoming meetings**

**Nov. 21st: Paxton, 4837 Jackson Street**

*Jack Egan tells us all about lumber grading  
and selection*

**Dec. 2nd: Heather Gardens,**

**CHRISTMAS DINNER and GIFT EXCHANGE**

Visit our web site for latest updates on meetings and locations:  
[www.coloradoodworkersguild.org](http://www.coloradoodworkersguild.org)

## **Toys -- Toys -- Toys**

**WE NEED TOYS - BIG TOYS**

**SMALL TOYS - ANY WOOD TOYS**

We are approaching the finish line for the Christmas Toy Project. Please bring the toys you built to the Nov. 21st meeting at Paxton.

We will start distributing the toys shortly after Thanksgiving, so we need to get them in and sorted.

Any stragglers can be brought to the Christmas Party on Dec. 2nd.

If you have any questions or have a problem with getting the toys to a meeting, please call me:

For more information, call me:

**Bill Huffer 303-283-8982.**

## **Colliers of Colorado..**

**Is having ANOTHER sale!**

They have closed their retail stores and are closing their production plant. They wish to give **another exclusive sale** to the Colorado Woodworkers Guild members on **Saturday, November 11 at 10:00 a.m.** for wood and small hand tools.

The wood selection includes wormy maple, cherry and alder.

**Address:**

4901 Krameria in Commerce City

## Saw Blades and Sandpaper:

### *To be sharp and abrasive.*

The subject matter for the last meeting of the Guild may seem, well... boring. This was definitely not the case when Randy Childers from Childers Sharpening Service spoke to our small group of folks who braved the snowstorm to come to the October Guild meeting.

Randy shared stories about the business in which he has worked all of his life. His Father, Robert, started Childers Sharpening Service after responding to an ad in Popular mechanics magazine in the 1960's about starting your own sharpening business. And as they say the rest is history. There is no doubt that Randy has an impressive knowledge about blades and the sharpening of them. He shared much about the properties of a good saw blade and how they must be "pre-stretched" so to speak so that during operation they remain the same shape and operate properly. He talked about the types of metals that are used to make saw blades from the highest quality to the throw away ones. He also covered tooth shapes and angles and a fascinating view about blade speeds that made most of us a lot smarter about how fast we run our saws.

Randy also shared much about sandpaper: History, how it is made and the different qualities and uses of the different types. Did you know that there is actually sandpaper made from cubic zirconia? (That is the purple or green sanding belts.)

Some rules of thumb that I wrote down:

- The Magic sandpaper number is 150 grit
- Above 150 grit should be used for the finishing of the wood. Good sandpaper for this is Silicon Carbide.
- Below 150 grit is used for material removal. Good sandpaper for this is Aluminum Oxide.

Bottom line is Randy was very Gracious to come and speak to us and did an excellent and interesting talk for us that evening. He definitely knows his business and will sharpen our blades for us to the best quality available. We all probably have a dull blade on something. Childers can sharpen it for us.

There contact info is:  
Childers Sharpening Service  
4767 S. Broadway  
Englewood, CO 80113 - 6804  
303-789-3855

*Christopher Pine*

## From Your President

The Christmas party will be held at Heather Gardens on December 2nd from 6PM until 9PM. The room will be decorated fro the season by Marvin and his wife Trina. The Guild will furnish a meat dish, drinks, plates and silverware. Members are asked to bring a side dish and deserts. Please bring a serving utensil.

We have allocated \$500 dollars for door prizes. There will be 2-\$100, 2-\$50 and 8-\$25 gift certificates along with anything else the our sponsors will generously offer.

We will also have a White Elephant gift exchange. Please bring **one gift per couple**, not to exceed \$20.00 (*new limit set*).

Admission for the party will be \$5 per person. The money will be returned along with a raffle ticket for each ticket purchased when you show up at the door. Your White Elephant drawing number will also be in the envelope. Dress will be casual and we encourage you to bring your spouse or significant other. This will be the first real sit-down Christmas party that I can recall since I have been a member of the Guild.

Deadline for purchase of tickets or mail-in reservations for the Christmas party will be our regular meeting night as Paxtons, Nov. 21st.

Directions, and reservation form are included in the newsletter.

*Bill Hoppers*

## 2006 Christmas Party

Pot luck Christmas party will be on Saturday Dec. 2 from 6 to 9 PM.. Guild members please bring your family.

**Over \$500 in door prizes and gift certificates to be given away!**

**Location:**

Heather Gardens community center, art room  
303.751.1811 (In case you get lost)  
or my cell.720.934.2180

**Address:**

2888 S. Heather Gardens way  
Aurora, CO 80014

From I-225 ( n or s ) get off on iliff and turn east to the next first street which is blackhawk. Go south on blackhawk until you reach yale ave. Stop light..( Blackhawk will change it's name to abilene 1/2 way there) go across yale and make a right on heather gardens way. This will be the only street you can turn on. Follow it around until you see the community center on your left.The art room is by the north entrance. Park in the first parking lot you see which is the north lot. You can enter the clubhouse through a side door there and the art room will be the first on your right.

Please bring a side dish to share. The guild will provide meat + cheese and veggie. Tray

We will also supply utensils, dishes and drink.

Most important of all, bring a gift \$5 to \$ 10 not to go over \$ 10. If you attended last years party you might remember the gift exchange/take away being the highlight of the evening.

SEE YOU ALL THERE.

*Marvin Benson*

### CWG 2006 Christmas Dinner Reservations

Name

Phone

Email

Number of People Attending

Include \$5 per person

Send check payable to: Colorado Woodworkers Guild

P.O. Box 100996

Denver, CO. 80250-0996

## GUILD MEMBER DISCOUNTS

### 20% off of purchases at

#### **The Hardwood Emporium**

16043 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Ave., Golden CO. 80401  
303-277-1488

### 10% off at:

#### **Abilene Awards & Logos**

1730 S. Abilene, Aurora, CO. 80012  
303-755-0337

#### **Austin Hardwoods**

975 W. Mississippi, Denver, CO.  
303-733-1292

#### **Centennial Wood Co.**

985 S. Logan, Denver, CO.  
303-778-6209

#### **Charlie's Secondhand Store**

2227 Larimer St., Denver, CO.  
303-295-1781

#### **Paxton**

4837 Jackson St., Denver, CO.  
303-399-6047

#### **Rockler Woodworking and Hardware**

2553 S. Colorado Blvd., Denver, CO.  
303-782-0588

#### **TC Woods**

9776 Arapahoe Rd., Lafayette, CO.  
303-494-0425

#### **Tool King** (up to 10%, see details on CWG web site)

11111 West 6<sup>th</sup> Ave, Lakewood, CO 80215  
303-963-4500

#### **Woodcraft**

4403 S. Tamarac Parkway, Denver, CO.  
303-290-0007



## HAVE YOU CHECKED OUT OUR WEB SITE YET?

Hopefully, all of you have had an opportunity to check out the CWG web site at [www.coloradoodworkersguild.org](http://www.coloradoodworkersguild.org).

### Photo Gallery

If you have photos of your woodworking projects or from any of the Guild's events, please either e-mail your digital photos (.JPEG format is preferred) to:

[contact@coloradoodworkersguild.org](mailto:contact@coloradoodworkersguild.org),  
or bring a CD with your photos to a CWG monthly meeting and give it to one of the Board Members or Webmaster.

### Classified Ads

Got Stuff to Sell? Looking for Stuff to Buy? Please check out our web site's Classified Ads feature to post your ads and see what others need or have to offer.



## WOOD OF THE MONTH

### **Paxton.**

Wormy Soft Maple - \$1.71 b.f.  
Wormy Alder - \$1.80 b.f.

### **Hardwood Emporium**

Northern red oak \$2.95 per b.f.

**Hardwood Emporium** now has a planer and straight line rip saw. If you haven't been buying wood from Jason because he didn't have a rip saw or planer, now you can. He is offering discounted planing services to guild members. He can do custom planing up to 24 inches. Stop in and see his expanded shop.

## Board Members

### President:

Bill Hoppers  
303.424.6052

### Committees at Large:

OPEN

### Vice-President:

Marvin Benson  
303.755.0719  
mtbenson@comcast.net

### Webmaster/Newsletter

Frederick R. Matzen  
frederickrm@gmail.com

### Treasurer:

Chris Pine  
303.936.3859  
cpine522@comcast.net

### Committee Leaders

*Christmas Toy Program*  
Bill Huffer  
303-283-8982

### Secretary:

John Hammer  
303.972.8065

*Membership Coordinator*  
Ron Vanous  
303.988.6047

### Deputies of the Board

OPEN

*Yahoo Group Moderator*  
Carl Beck  
carl@carlbeck.com

## Board Meeting Minutes

To conserve space in the newsletter for articles of interest to our Guild members, we no longer publish the Board Meeting Minutes each month. Copies of the minutes are available upon request by contacting a Guild officer.

**Visit our web site for the latest information and late breaking announcements:**

[www.coloradoodworkersguild.org](http://www.coloradoodworkersguild.org)

## Guild Business:

### Monthly Board Meeting

The next CWG Board Member Meeting will be December 6th , 6 p.m. at Villa Del Sol Mexican Food, 6026 W. Alameda Ave., (Harlan St.).

The meeting is open to all members. If you have suggestions on CWG speakers, topics, events or activities, please feel free to contact any Board Member or attend the Board Member meeting.

## Not yet a member of the Colorado Woodworkers Guild?

We invite you to join now. Here are some of the benefits of becoming a member:

**Monthly Guild Meetings** -- Here woodworkers from novices to highly skilled craftsmen can meet, network, solicit advice, share ideas, and learn

**Annual Craftsman Show** -- The woodworkers' showcase! A world-class exhibit featuring pieces created by our diverse and talented guild members

**Christmas Toys Program** -- A great opportunity for novices to work side-by-side with and learn from experienced craftsmen, and in the process create fabulous toys for underprivileged children

**Field Trips** -- To local lumber yards, mills and workshops

**Monthly Newsletter** --That includes meeting announcements, free classified ads and much, much more...

Membership in the Colorado Woodworkers Guild is \$30 per year.

To join, provide the information requested below and return with your \$30 check to:

**Colorado Woodworkers Guild**  
**P.O. Box 100996**  
**Denver, CO. 80250-0996**

**NEW**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_