

COLORADO Woodworkers GUILD

May 2005

Encouraging all woodworkers in self-expression, craftsmanship and knowledge

Upcoming meetings

May 17- Paxton: Marvin Benson- Intarsia

June 21-Rockler: John Hammer and Chris Pine Pen advanced pen turning demo with ca finish.

May Meeting

Tuesday, May 17th, 7:00pm - 9-pm

Paxtons
4837 Jackson St.,
Denver, CO.

“Intarsia with Marvin Benson”

Many members have seen examples of Marvin Benson’s intarsia. You may have seen some of his work at some of the recent meetings. Several of his pieces were entered in the Craftsman Show this Spring. Here is your chance to see how he does it.

If you don’t know what intarsia is, it is similar to marquetry but uses thicker pieces of wood rather than veneers. Many species and colors of wood combine to make amazing almost 3D pictures.



June Meeting

June 21 meeting will be held at Rocklers and will feature Chris Pine and John and how they create a hard and durable finish for there tuned pen.

Rocklers is have a very special night for guild members that night with door prizes and some member only special. There will also be some factory representitives there also.

Marquetry with Rich Gady

Last months exciting presentation was by fellow member and past president of the International Marquetry Society, Rich Gady. In Marquetry, or painting with wood, veneers of domestic and exotic woods are chosen for their color and grain, then they are cut according to a pattern, taped together to form a picture as a sheet, then glued to a solid surface. Very simple tools are used, mainly a craft knife and a fretsaw Rich gave us a slide show presentation on many pieces of art he has done using Marquetry over the last 20 years. One of the favorites is the faux raised panel door picture below.



Rich will be teaching a two day class at Red Rocks Community College on June 25th and 26th from 10am to 4 pm. See the photo below for examples of the projects the class will cover. The cost will be \$180 and lunch is included. Rich can be contacted at 303-987-2803 or email him at richgady@msn.com. Check out www.rccc.edu/finewood/schedule.html for more information on this class and other summer offerings





I recently got in the mail the schedule for Kelley Mehler’s School of Woodworking in Kentucky. I am sure many of you know of this school and are familiar with the excellent craftsmen that teach there. There is a 2-day workshop with instructor John Wilson. The cost? \$275. You will also have to make your way to Kentucky plus food and room; makes for a potentially expensive weekend.

Well with all of that said, John Hammer, our very own Guild secretary, taught a class at Red Rocks Community college over two Saturdays in April. The cost? Right at \$50. A bargain at twice the price!

I attended the class and had a great time. It was very enlightening and very casual atmosphere that made for a very enjoyable time that went by very quickly. We learned how to cut the fingers for the side bands and to shape the ends properly. Then we boiled the wood bands in special boiling tray that John had for this purpose.. Bending the wood around the wood forms was especially satisfying as you made the wood submit to the shape of the oval shaker box it would soon become. After tacking the sides with special copper tacks . The drying forms where put into place.

The second Saturday was spend making the tops and bottoms. When we were done we all had a set of boxes even the more accomplished box maker would love. John will be doing another class in October. I would encourage anyone who even has a mild interest to attend. You will be addicted to this wonderful project!

Chris Pine

GRAB YOUR TOOLS AND MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Again this year the Guild is giving you an opportunity to demonstrate your skills and enjoy a weekend of fun at the Jefferson County 4H Fair.

The Fair will be:

Friday, Saturday & Sunday
August 5th thru August 7th

More detail to follow.

ROCKLER BELT SANDER RACE

The guild took first place again in the Belt Sander Race We edged out eight other competitors by only ½ of a second. It was a lot of fun. The tool swap event was also a success. Let’s give Rockler a hand for another wonderful event.

RESIGNATION OF OUR PRESIDENT

Ron Rose our president announced his resignation last month for personal reasons. We will be holding an election during the May Meeting for a new President and a replacement for their vacated position. Candidates bios are included on the next page. Ballots will be handed out at the meeting.

New location for Sears Trostel Lumber in Ft. Collins

Matt with Sears Trostel asked that we let everyone know they have just completed a move to a newer, bigger, brighter facility. Their new address is 1500 Riverside Avenue, Fort Collins, CO, 80524

Guild Business - Board Member Election May 17, 2005

Canidate Profiles

David Vilella

I have been involved with woodworking since I was 15. My first project was to build my mother low-quality plywood cabinets. My woodworking tools consisted of a hammer, nails and a hand saw. (These cabinets are still in use today!)

Over the next 25 years, I tackled more complex projects including building an A-Frame playhouse, bunk beds, clocks and a complete kitchen remodel.

In the last 12 years, I've become an avid woodworker, honing my skills and equipment. I've completed several award-winning pieces: a maple crib, a custom designed walnut jewelry box and a cherry sewing machine cabinet.

My passion is woodworking. If I did not have to work for a living, I would probably live in my shop. As it is, I find time to spend hours in my private get-away. I have been involved with the Guild for over two years. Serving as Vice President this past year, I have worked on the Craftsman, Shows, the Jeffco fairs and the The Woodworking Shows, along with writing numerous articles for the newsletter. It's one of the finest organizations of its kind. The leaders are innovative and work hard. We have some awesome plans for the future. My love of woodworking, leadership skills and commitment to the Guild are qualities that will enhance this team. I would be honored to serve as President.

John Hammer

I have been a woodworker for over 30 years. Much of what I have learned has come from my father and magazines like Fine Woodworking. Most recently I led a Shaker box workshop at Red Rocks Community College.

Before moving to Denver in 1990, we lived in Omaha where I co-founded the Omaha Woodworkers Guild about 20 years ago. I joined Colorado Woodworkers Guild soon after moving to Denver and have served as it's president, treasurer and secretary.

The guild has been a good experiance for me. I had never been a public speaker but I figured "What the heck. They are all woodworkers." I look forward to serving the guild in whatever capacity.

Responsibilities and Election Process

The board meets the Tuesday following the monthly meeting. Our purpose is to ensure that the business of the Guild is kept in compliance with regulations, to manage the membership funds we receive and to satisfy the guilds charter for its members and the community. We do this by organizing monthly meetings and setting up special events and programs.

Please refer to the January Newsletter for an excerpt of the guild by-laws on the officers responsibilities and terms.

On the night of May 17th we will have ballots available to cast your vote for the positions up for election. The ballots will be counted by a couple of volunteers attending the meeting. We will announce the results at the end of the meeting unless there are exceptional circumstances that will require further time to address.

Channel 6 Auction!

For residents of the Denver area for any length of time most people are familiar with the Channel 6 auction. This is a fundraiser for the public TV station here in town. I have always been a supporter of public TV and have enjoyed many of the programs they offer for many years.

Well the real news is that several of our members had items in the channel 6 auction! They were all very beautiful and well deserving of a high bid!

I saw Leslie Kennedy had one of her world famous band-saw boxes in the auction. Also John Hammer our resident Shaker Professor had a beautiful set of cherry Shaker boxes up for bid. I also saw Harry Wiebe had several jewelry boxes that had the most impressive detail joinery! Simply gorgeous items and all for such a good cause! My compliments to all of you and to anyone I may have missed, I do apologize.

I say thank you for giving to the community we all live in and for your most gracious generosity! Lets all plan on making an item or two for next years auction!

Chris Pine

Guild Member Discounts

20% off of purchases at

The Hardwood Emporium

16043 W. 4th 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 Wood

9776 Arapahoe Rd, Lafayette, CO.

Woodcraft

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

5% off reconditioned tools and

10% off accessories at

Pentair Sales & Service Co.

(Delta/Porter-Cable reconditioned tools)
8175 Sheridan Blvd., Unit S, Arvada, CO
303-487-1809

Woods of the Month

Paxtons has White Ash on special 35% off.

Centennial has some Aromatic Cedar on special this month.

Hardwood Emporium, Jay could not get through to me because I was out of town, but he always has some great deals, go see him.

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 where woodworkers, from novices to highly skilled craftsmen, 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

Toys for Tikes Campaign -- 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 with meeting announcements, free classified ads and 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 480561

Denver, CO 80248

Name _____

Company _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Red Rocks Community College School of Fine Woodworking

May 2005

- Register for Fall Classes
- Summer Classes
- Summer Fundamentals FIW100 (Starts Monday, May 16th; 4 credit class)
- 4 Week Guitar Finishing Class (Starts Wednesday, May 18th - June 11th; \$180)

June 2005

- Rand Richards ; Workbench; Design & Construction , 13th - 1st (\$1,110; Materials Included)
- Robbie O'Brien ; Guitar Building; Classical or Steel String , 13th - 1st (\$950; Materials Included)
- A Week of Hand Tools. 13th thru 17th (\$380)
- Jeff Miller: De-Mystifying the Chairmaking Process , 18th & 19th (\$180)
- Nick Justinian; Italian Furniture , 20th - 25th (\$360)
- Rich Gady ; Beginning & Intermediate Marquetry , 25th & 26th (\$180)

July 2005

- Advanced Free-Flowing Furniture, July 11th thru 15th (cost \$650)
- Cindy Drozda; Woodturning Workshop 30th & 31st

August 2005

- Fall Classes Begin, August 19th 5pm



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HELP**

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Board Meeting Minutes

To conserve space in the newsletter for articles of interest to our Guild members, we'll 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.coloradowoodworkersguild.org

In the Market for Some Great Bargains?

Andy Zartman has the following equipment for sale:

- § Delta 18" Q-3 scroll saw with stand and magnifying light - \$350 (or best offer)
- § Jet 1236 wood lathe with several face places and a one-way stronghold chuck with 3 set of jaws (1, 2, and MegaJumbo) - \$675 (or best offer)
- § Dewalt Biscuit Jointer, used once - \$110 (or best offer)

Photos from

Red Rocks Community College College School of Fine Woodworking Critique Nights for Spring Semester 2005 (see more on Page 5)

