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Colorado Woodworkers Guild

June 2024 Newsletter

President's Corner



[Ed Note: Dennis is traveling and going on to Europe, so we have a Vice President's Corner Column this month.]

Dennis Edmonds, President

Vice President's Corner



Bill Bixby, Vice President

Summer is Here!!! What a wonderful time of year to get outside and make some sawdust. With that in mind here are a couple of announcements:

Summer BBQ:

- This year's summer BBQ will take place Saturday July 13th, from 12 to 4 pm at DeKoevend Park (which is just down the street from Southglenn Mall in Centennial)
- We've partnered with the Front Range Woodturners, and this will be a combined event for both guilds. An announcement will be made during the next meeting, and a signup sheet will be posted following the June meeting.
- We will be at the "Shelter C" location, which is immediately adjacent to the Goodson Recreation Center - Here is a map link (click [here](#)). More details coming soon!

Follow up on the veteran urn box build:

- Again, in addition to Jennifer's article in last month's newsletter. I also want to thank everyone who contributed to the veteran urn box group build. My heartfelt gratitude goes out to all those who contributed their time, donated lumber, volunteered their shop spaces, and assisted with the delivery and transport of these urns for the two ceremonies that took place back in April. Special thanks to

Jennifer Seim and Larry Davis who took up the lead on this project and worked behind the scenes to pull this off.

- We are still looking for more boxes, and we would like to have a bit of a buffer in our inventory of boxes for future ceremonies. If anyone wants more information on box dimensions and recommended construction techniques, feel free to reach out to me personally. Here are some pictures of the boxes used in the recent interment ceremonies:



- If you have yet to see the news videos Jen called out in last month's newsletter, put together with regards to our involvement, you can check them out here:

Here is the link to the Channel 2 / Fox 31 video and article:

<https://kdvr.com/news/problem-solvers/serving-those-who-serve/ashes-of-colorado-veterans-laid-to-rest-after-decades/>

Here is the link the 9 news video:

<https://www.9news.com/article/news/local/lost-veterans-laid-to-rest/73-1f0cab31-9678-4a4e-8924-35ad5eeb0c78>

Update from the last board meeting:

- Dennis and Larry have devoted a non-trivial amount of time towards updating our guild by-laws, and we will be announcing the revisions we have made during next month's meeting, and then voting on them during the July meeting.
- For those interested, an excellent side-by-side comparison has been generated which highlights the changes made from the previous version to the version we will be bringing forward to put towards a vote. We will make this publicly available for viewing during the next meeting.

Lastly, here are a couple of summer shop tips worth considering:

- PRE-FINISH your sheet goods:
 - You can save a fair amount of time on your projects by pre-finishing your sheet goods. The temperatures right now are perfect for applying finish, and with water-based finishes and even a cheap HVLP setup, you can knock out most of your finishing within a day.

- Even if you don't get around to building a project in the short term, the application of a seal-coat of finish will help to protect your sheet goods from getting "dinged" and scratched up while they lie in wait in your shop storage.
- Wax your tool tabletops:
 - Bringing your tools to make cuts outside is a great way to keep dust down inside the shop. However, with afternoon thunderstorms being an ever-present threat, it is a good idea to keep your cast iron surfaces waxed and lightly oiled so that if they do catch a bit of rain from a passing storm, your surfaces will remain clean and rust-free.

That's all for now -- we hope to see you at our June meeting on the 18th! Signing off,

Bill Bixby, Vice President

Show and Tell

At the May 21st, 2024 meeting we had nine entries from nine presenters.

Listed below are the video links to each entry that was presented. **For the presentations, you may have to “right-click” and select “Open Hyperlink” to get to the video.**

The beginning of S&T on the video is [here](#)

- David Howard brought an “Ugly” Jig made of Plywood, Acrylic and Tape, video is [here](#)
- Ted Hibbs showed some Paddles made of Western Red Cedar, video [here](#)
- Devon Lindsley presented a “Hand Broom” of “Unknown Burl”, video [here](#)
- Marty Bartholomew had a Tea Box made of Cherry, video is [here](#)
- Ron Ainge showed an urn titled “Marsh Life” made of Maple, video [here](#)
- Andy Towt showed off an End Table made of White Oak and Red Oak, video [here](#)
- Mike Zelman brought a Cherry Windsor Chair made of Cherry and Ash, video [here](#)
- Jen Seim had a Night Stand made of Alder, video [here](#)
- Justin Garcia had a “Treasure Chest of Oak, Cedar, Mahogany, Red Heart and Monkey pod video [here](#)

David is shown with his “Ugly Jig”



Ted discussed constructing his “Paddles” shown in the next pictures.



Devon and her “Hand Broom” follows.



Marty displayed and discussed his “Tea Box” next.



Ron and his “Marsh Life” Urn are shown on the next page.



Andy and his “End Table” is shown next.





Mike and his “Windsor Chair” are displayed below.



Jen displayed and discussed her “Night Stand”



Justin is shown with his “Treasure Chest”



And the S&T winner was Ron Ainge with his urn titled “Marsh Life”

Thanks to all who participate. Please consider sending me some pictures prior to the next meeting. Include a brief description of the project and a couple of pictures. If possible, get them to me a week before the meeting so I can prepare for the meeting itself. I can be reached at showandtell@coloradowoodworkersguild.org
Thanks, and see you at the next meeting,

Cary Goltermann, Show and Tell Administrator

Meeting Presentations

May 2024 Meeting

On May 21st, 2024, the Guild welcomed Kagan Sound to our meeting.

Kagan spoke on constructing puzzle boxes, for which he is internationally known. His work has received grand prize and people's choice awards numerous times in the international Nob Yoshigahara puzzle design competition. He has also been acknowledged as a master craftsperson by the Karakuri Creation Group, the world's only guild of secret box makers in Japan.

Kagan talked about his internationally known puzzle box-making. He also shared how he made his workshop behind his house in Denver. This included information on how he designed his dust collection system. He also showed how he built his workbench. In all, Kagan offered the guild and beautiful insight into the life of an artist craftsman who has dedicated himself to the craft for nearly a quarter of a century.

If you want to learn more about Kagan's work, try to take his class this August at Anderson Ranch.

The entire presentation can be viewed online at the guild's website by clicking [here](#). **Again, for the presentation, you may have to "right-click" and select "Open Hyperlink" to get to the video. The presentation starts at 1h.28mm into the meeting video and goes on until near the end of the meeting until 2h.13mm.**

June 2024 Meeting

At our June meeting Tom Graber will speak on kiln drying technologies.

You can access some information ahead of time at the hotlink [Tom Graber](#), which takes you to his Urban Forest mill business web site.

Jonathan Carlyon, Education Chair

Education Corner

A History of the Guild (Part 2, (continued))

[Ed Note: The end of last month's article was inadvertently truncated, so that info is shown below.]



*Harold **Foos**, hard at work at The Woodworkers Show demonstrating his talent on the scroll saw. Check out the CWG Website for more photos from our booth at this year's show.*

The history of the Guild is the history of the people who have given their time and talent to others, sharing their love of woodworking through social engagement, educational outreach, and community service. These are themes that have animated the work of the Guild, since its first years in the 1980s until today.

To be continued...

Jonathan Carlyon, Education Chair

CWG Pikes Peak Chapter News

We had a good turnout on Tuesday, June 4th - roughly 35-40 people.

We arranged with the quilt store next door to borrow their chairs so we had ample, comfortable seating

Seven new members joined at the meeting, bringing our chapter membership to roughly 50 people.

Thanks to:

Ben and his Woodcraft team for hosting the meeting

Ruth's Stitchery for the chair loan
Joe Lenhoff for organizing help
Jim Densford for analyzing the skills and interests inputs
Bill Schlittler for finding a sound system that worked great
CO Lumber for their chapter and Guild sponsorship

We discussed a variety of potential tours of both individuals' shops and some organizations around the area. We'll be exploring visits to the following among others:

CO Lumber
Humblewood Workshop and Restoration Workshop who build beds for foster kids, among other things. They do group builds on Saturday mornings from 8:30 to 11:30 – you can register individually at <https://loveyourneighborcs.com/>
Pikes Peak Makerspace
Library 21C Makerspace
The MILL

Show and tell participation was great - around 10 entries. Unfortunately, we didn't have an "official" photographer – We'll see if anyone took pictures and have them sent along. Ben of Woodcraft COS donated a Show & Tell prize (a 10" table saw blade). Our winner was Charles House who brought a beautiful handmade wooden plane. Next month we're having a Show & Tell session focused on boxes, with members bringing their favorite!

We used 3 donated wood bundles as a door prize and announced that we'll bring more next month for purchase.

We've been in contact with the Marquetry Guild president who recently moved here and we're working on have one of their free workshops on a Saturday in the coming months. Lots of folks indicated they'd be interested in this. Also, trying to set up a sharpening mentoring/workshop.

As we all get out skills and interests surveys submitted, they will help guide us on where to focus our efforts. Several members signed up to offer tours of their home shops. Dan Sullivan has agreed to take over the shop tour organizing. Thanks, Dan!

Matt Dewell (matt.dewell@yahoo.com) announced that he has some walnut wood for sale. Ben introduced Rick Peil who is the gent who does machine repairs for Woodcraft. You can reach him at (720) 201-6556.

All in all a very good session!

We hope to see you at our next meeting at 6 PM at Woodcraft on Tuesday, July 2nd.

.Jim Barry, Pikes Peak Chapter Lead & CWG Librarian

Toolbox Alerts

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[Editor's Note: We are looking for inputs from members each month on great woodworking tool and accessory deals that you are aware of and that are available sometime in the next month or so. The input should include a short description of the item(s), where they can be purchased with web address or location and phone info, price, and any info on your experience with the item(s). Items can include excess tools and items you want to get rid of. Call me at (719) 964-9570 if you know of an item and then I will ask you to submit a descriptive paragraph to me at JoeLenhoff@gmail.com, or to newsletter@colowood.com to add to this column. Toolbox Alert descriptions will have to be to me about 9-10 days before each meeting to get them into the newsletter.]

CWG Sponsor Update

Paxton Woods - June Wood of the Month and Special



June Wood of the Month:

4/4 S2S 13/16 + SLR1E (S3S)

Select & Better Northern Soft Maple

Regular Price \$8.11 / BF

Sale Price \$5.00 / BF

June Flash Special:

4/4 S2S 13/16 + SLR1E (S3S)

Select & Better Plain Sawn Sapele

Regular Price \$10.80 / BF

Sale Price \$7.50 / BF

Questions? Contact Dennis Stephens at denniss@paxtonwood.com

Dennis Stephens
Paxton Hardwoods

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Mike Cunningham is hosting a Shop tour at his shop on:

Saturday, June 22, 2024

10 AM to 1 PM

at

10909 E Grant Road

Franktown, CO 80116

Mike is a professional woodworker and I am told that his shop is well worth the drive to Franktown.

Please sign up by sending me an email at treasurer@colowood.com, call me at 303-941-9137

or on the sign up sheet at the June Monthly meeting on June 18th.

I hope to see you there.

Larry Christensen, Sponsor Liaison & Treasurer

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