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Colorado Woodworkers Guild

July 2025 Newsletter

President's Corner



Bill Bixby, President

Happy Summer, Guild Members!

Our annual **Summer BBQ** is just around the corner — taking place on **Sunday, July 20th**! Please be sure to **RSVP by July 11th** (Signup Genius Link: Click [HERE](#)) so Bear Limvere from the Front Range Woodturners can purchase the right amount of meat-stuffs (his word!) based on our Signup Genius headcount.

This year's BBQ is a **joint event** between our Guild and the Front Range Woodturners, and we've also invited the **Rocky Mountain Shipwrights** to join the fun. I may even extend the invite to a few folks from the **Colorado CNC User Group** as well.

Last month, we wrapped up a great series of efforts to connect with educational institutions across the Front Range. We were thrilled to have **Robert Turek** present at our last meeting, sharing his thoughtfully designed chairs and other projects.

Robert is a professor in the **Architectural Design Program at Arapahoe Community College**. His visit marked our fourth major academic connection this season, following visits and showcases at Red Rocks School of Fine Woodworking, MSU Denver's School of Industrial Design, and the Colorado School of Mines' student blade show.

A big thank you to all who attended these events and helped foster relationships with the faculty and staff working to inspire and educate the next generation of woodworkers and makers. Your presence matters, and these connections are meaningful for the future of our craft.

Also, last month, we enjoyed an outstanding **shop tour at Doug Pinney's barn in Monument**. Doug is the Vice President of the Colorado CNC User Group, and this event was co-hosted with their President, **Milo Scott**.

We had strong representation from both our Guild and the Turners. As part of the tour, Doug produced a **custom Colorado Woodworkers Guild sign** using our logo — a live demo that wowed the crowd!



Because of the high level of interest in CNC tools, we've invited **Doug Pinney** to be our **featured presenter at this month's Guild meeting — Tuesday, July 15th** (that's next week!). As I often say: *you can learn more by attending one CNC User Group meeting than by watching hours (or days!) of YouTube tutorials*. This group is pushing the boundaries of what's possible — not just with CNC machines and tooling, but even with the software platforms themselves. They've uncovered capabilities that even the software developers didn't know existed!

Come ready with questions and explore how a CNC setup might become the next game-changing tool in your shop.

Our **Guild Board** will also be meeting this weekend as part of our regular quarterly planning sessions. If you'd like to attend and get a closer look at how much time, effort, and dedication our board and committee chairs put in behind the scenes you're more than welcome. We're always eager for **fresh ideas, helping hands, and new volunteers** who want to shape the future of the Guild.

That's all for now. I hope to see you at the upcoming **Guild meeting**, and of course, at the **Summer BBQ** — bring your family and friends!

Warm regards,
Your humble President

Bill Bixby, President

Show and Tell

We had two Show & Tell entries at the June 2025 meeting.

[Ed. Note: Due to technical difficulties, there is no video of either of the show and tell presentations.]

- Devon Lindsley showed us some Earrings made from Epoxy and Scraps and finished in Danish Oil.
- Justin Garcia brought a Climbing Hold Coat hanger made of Paduk, Maple and Bocote.

Devon and her earrings can be seen below



Justin is shown next with his Coat Hanger





The evening's winner was Justin and his Climbing Hold Coat Hanger who received the prize of a Rockler Gift Card



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

June 2025 Meeting

On June 17th, 2025, the guild had the pleasure to welcome Robert Turek. Robert is currently Program Chair and Faculty of the Architectural Studies and Construction Management program at Arapahoe Community College. He is also a multi-disciplinary designer and craftsman.

In his talk, entitled “Extending Archetypes”, Robert explored how he seeks to push the limits on standard forms (or archetypes) by exploring their structural, formal and functional limits. As one member of the audience stated, Robert's work seems to develop mutations of classical design models.

Robert highlighted how chairs are social spaces, and chair design allows for a variety of transformations. Combining all these ideas, Robert led us through one of his recent commissions. He designed a chair for reading aloud to children.

The entire presentation can be viewed online at the guild's website by clicking [here](#). **For the presentation, you may have to “right click” and select “Open Hyperlink” to get to the video. The presentation starts at 13mm and goes until near the end of the meeting. It is 48mm30ss long.**

July 2025 Meeting

On July 15th we will have a presentation by Doug Penney on CNC. **See details in Bill Bixby's column above.**

Jonathan Carlyon, Education Chair

CWG Pikes Peak Chapter News

Notes from June 1, 2025 meeting of the Colorado Woodworkers Guild:

Presentation/workshop: Scott Roth, from the Rocky Mountain Marquetry Guild, provided our 25 members in attendance with a very engaging presentation on his unique method for creating marquetry. An afternoon hands-on workshop kept the seven attendees busy learning and then doing, with everyone leaving with a beautiful small work of art.

At the meeting, Scott gave some background on the art form, showing some of the work he's done and illustrating how the patterns used echo forms found in quilting and Native American weavings, among other things. He also demonstrated for everyone what the workshop covered, involving the jigs and methods he's developed to make this complex form simple to make. Of special note is the use of fusible webbing (sold as Steam-a-Seam 2) to replace the traditional use of glues, presses, cauls, etc.



Mikel Levine, past president of the Marquetry Guild, also showed some of his marquetry pieces



Show & Tell

There was no formal show & tell this month, but Bill Schlittler showed us the Guild Logo that Doug Pinney made with his CNC machine during his shop tour last week; Dan Sullivan and Del Cox showed some simple toys they've made to complement the cars and trucks that have been made.



Upcoming events

The next PPC toy painting session will be held on July 10th at Del Cox's place.

The next PPC toy build will be announced later.

There will be an August pre-meeting workshop. We'll have an afternoon workshop on resawing and bent lamination that was postponed from May.

.Jim Barry, Pikes Peak Chapter Lead & At-Large Board Member

Toolbox Alerts

Rockler

- Rockler sales continue in July, **and their big 4th of July sale ends tomorrow, 9 July, so don't dally! The sale includes parallel clamps, silicone mats, a Rockler variable speed midi lathe, a clamp rack, a router table top, dust collection tubing and items, many jigs, and CNC devices.** Check it out ASAP on their website at rockler.com.

Woodcraft

- For the whole month of July Woodcraft has some great up to 50% off savings on a number of items including, a cheese board set, a Shinto 11" Saw Rasp, a WoodRiver 7" Quick-Release Vice, and Beli, Figured Black Walnut, and Amazakoue boards from 40-35% savings. Classes continue to be offered, ranging in price from \$160 to multiple-day classes at \$550.

Grizzly

- Don't miss Grizzly's big Summer Sale continuing until Aug 18th. If you are a past customer you should have received a catalog of the sale items. Many large shop floor items are on sale, as well as smaller items like clamps, drill sets, Luthier Kits, and even tool boxes. Check it out at Grizzley.com.

[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.]

Joe Lenhoff, CWG Newsletter Editor & Publisher & Communications Committee Chair

CWG Sponsor Update

Paxton Woods



July Wood of the Month

- 4/4 Select & Better Cherry S3S 13/16”
- Regular Price \$8.89 / BF
- Sale Price \$5.00 / BF
- 43% Off

July Flash Special

- 4/4 Mixed Grain D-Select Hemlock S3S 13/16”
- Regular Price \$4.75
- Sale Price \$3.49
- 26% Off

Questions? Contact Dennis Stephens, denniss@paxtonwood.com

SHOP TOUR

David Howard's Shop Tour:

Signup Genius Link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094DAFA72BAAFDC25-57254205-david#/>

David has a successful business selling unique cutting and charcuterie boards. He has shown his boards and specialized jigs at Show and Tell several times. His shop is well organized and includes some commercial machines that he acquired second-hand. He loves to talk about woodworking, and if you missed his shop tour last year, you shouldn't miss this opportunity.

Note: For those attending, you can enter his shop from the alley behind his house.

Date: 07/19/2025 (Sat.)

Time: 10:00AM - 1:00PM MDT

Location: David's Garage: 2690 Krameria Street, Denver, CO 80207

Larry Christensen, Shop Tour Coordinator

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