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Colorado Woodworkers Guild September 2026 Newsletter

President's Corner



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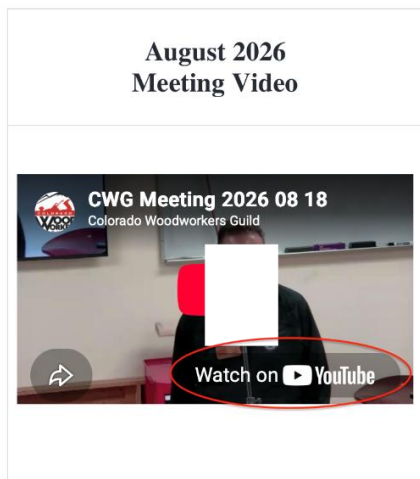
Show and Tell

At the August 18th 2026 meeting, we had four entries from four presenters.

The four entries in the S&T at the August meeting were:

- Andy showed us the base to a table made of Purpleheart
- Scott showed us two Aspen leaves made of Marequetry
- Kevin showed us a Display Case he made for his daughter's silversmithing products. As well as a jig he made to aid in creating splines in the corners of the case
- Sam showed us a coffee table made of Claro Walnut which he made for a friend

As usual, you can view the meeting video by going to the front page of the website. Scroll close to the bottom of the page till you see this



Click on the “Watch on YouTube” which I’ve circled in red, which will start the video in YouTube. Once in YouTube. Scroll down a bit and you should see something like this

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Video recorded from the August 18, 2026 Colorado Woodworkers Guild member meeting

0:00:00 Introduction

0:00:20 Events Discussed at this meeting ...more

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Andy showed us the base of a table he made out of Purpleheart. HE also told us how it was made. See the video for this educational information.



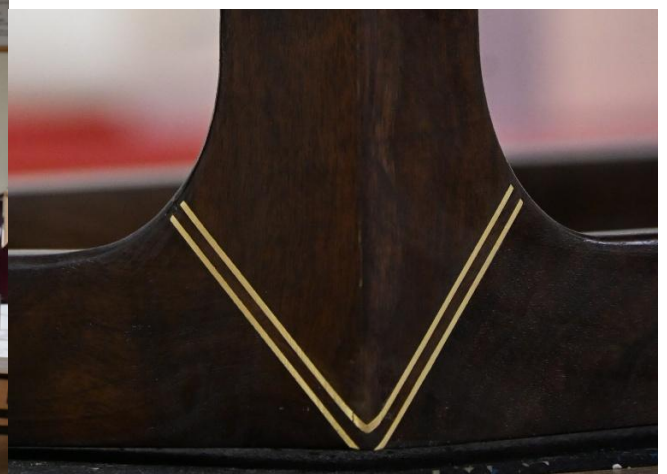
Scott showed his Marquetry made of aspen leaves and reminded us that the **Rocky Mountain Marketry Guild has an exhibit that will continue till September 26th at the Loveland Museum Foote Auditorium.** For more info on Events announced during the meeting there is a 10 second frame at the beginning and another at the end of the video. Both are listed in the table of contents.



Kevin showed off a Display Case he made for his daughter's Silversmithing wares. He also showed us a jig he made to make the splines he put in the corners of the case.



Sam's S&T entry was a table of Claro Walnut he made for a friend. The pic to the right illustrates some splines added to the joints to hide a problem.



The evening's winning entry was Sam's Walnut Table



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

August Meeting

On August 18th, 2026, the Guild welcomed Paul Duffy, of Duffy Designs in Boulder (<https://www.duffy-designs.com/>). Paul is a furniture designer working just outside Denver, CO. Formerly an Air Force Officer and Architect, Paul progressed his career after graduating from the fine woodworking program at Red Rocks Community College and now designs & builds furniture full-time. He talked to us about his design work and processes for making custom pieces. Paul's work incorporated clean lines, subtle curves, and refined forms inspired by Japanese and Shaker furniture.

Paul's 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.29mm into the meeting video and goes until near the end of the meeting at 2h.11mm.**

Joe Lenhoff, CWG Newsletter Editor & Publisher, Communications Committee Chair, & Board Member-at-Large

September 2026 Meeting

On September 15, 2026: Carrie Nelson, founder of 4 Chicks Furniture & Cabinets, will present a talk titled **Learn. Build. Improve. Repeat. Lessons from Building a Woodworking Business from the Ground Up**

Jonathan Carlyon, Education Chair, Presentation Coordinator & CWG Vice President

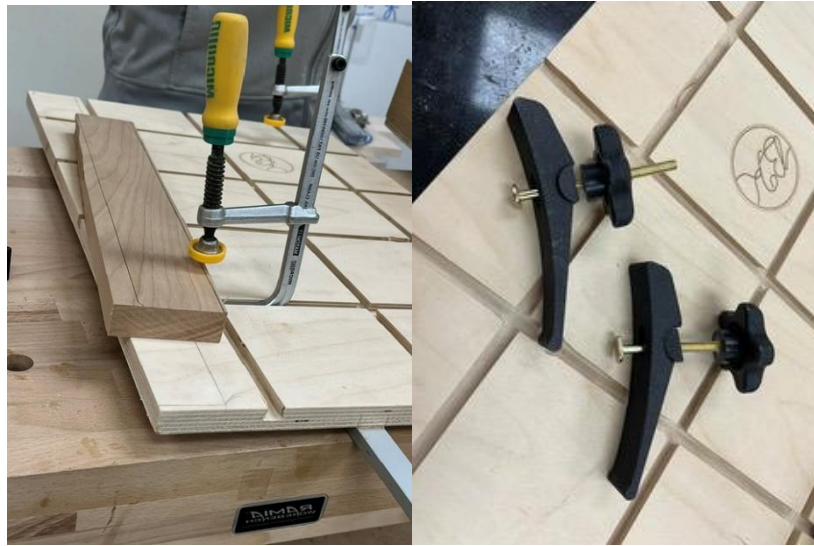
CWG Pikes Peak Chapter News

Notes from Pikes Peak Chapter September 1st 2026 meeting

We welcomed one guest – Ryan King introduced himself as a relatively new woodworker, currently focusing on making items for quilters.

Table Saw Jigs Workshop: We enjoyed an afternoon workshop, led by Brad Karlberg, to review an assortment of jigs that he and others brought. We exercised several of them on the SawStop during the workshop, and then reviewed the jigs at the meeting. They are pictured below.

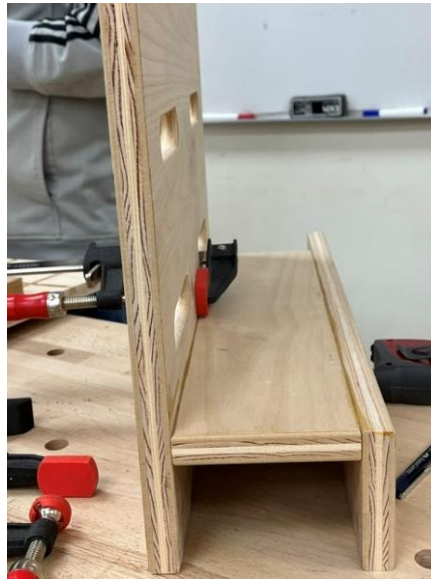
First is pictured a table saw jig that employs a grid of dovetail slots that allow objects to be clamped down to cut tapers or create edge joints. Brad puts plugs at the blade-side edge of the slots to prevent inadvertent contact between the clamps and the Sawstop blade. Also shown are some 3=D printed hold down clamps for using in T-Track.



A tenon-cutting jig with multiple clamping spots was shown next. As needed, Brad attaches vertical supports to support the board in which tenons are being cut.



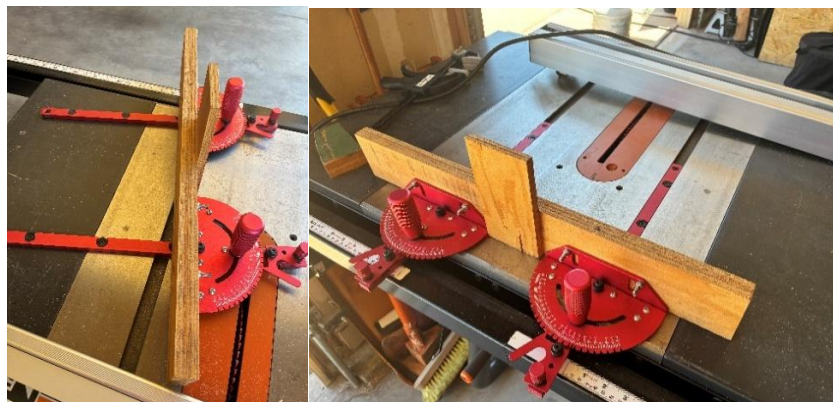
A clever jig for cutting thin strips without having to move the fence for each cut was shown next. The jig is fixed in place using a miter slot runner and a cleat running crosswise across the rear. The jig's fence in the foreground is adjusted to the desired thickness. After the board is run over the saw blade, the strip is separated by small triangular "splitter".



Two table saw sleds were displayed - a "traditional" sled (not show) is used for straight cuts, and a more complicated one (pictured below) with separate sides for use with the saw blade at 90 or 45 degrees. The 90-degree side has a movable base that is adjusted as needed to get zero-clearance dado cuts. This one also had an attachment for cutting slots for the lap joints used in Kumiko.



A clever sled-like invention using two connected miter jigs running in both miter slots is shown next.



Finally, a tapering jig featuring a L-shaped unit that is clamped to the table saw fence that locks in the sled to keep everything running straight without using a miter slot runner was shown.



Show & Tell: We had three Show & Tell items

First, was another “first thing I ever made” entry – a spice shelf from Matt Dewell. (Sorry, a picture is not available.)

Next were two items shown by Eric George. He described his turned vase from aspen which was the S&T Winner. He showed us a DIY steady rest for stabilizing objects being turned on the lathe that he made to support the vase as it was turned.



Presentation by Michael Kubit;



Michael is a local artist who uses natural objects, wood, stone etc. and various epoxies to create stunning pieces of functional art. He showed an assortment of beautiful objects he's made, citing the inspiration for each and discussing in depth the methods he's developed to get error-free epoxy finishes. A few of his tips:

- Pre-seal everything with epoxy before attempting to assemble the object
- Heat everything to at least 80 degrees before mixing
- Stir without ever removing the stirring stick
- Use multiple thin coats with minimal sanding (220 max) between coats
- Control environment to eliminate dust and keep temperature high enough for the curing process
- Use TotalBoat or other high-end epoxies - avoid hobby store epoxies. Woodcraft has been a go-to source for him.
- Recommended Blacktail Studios (<https://www.youtube.com/blacktailstudio>) as a reliable source of information for a good overview and introduction to this topic. Another member also recommended videos at Black Forest Wood Co. (<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkg0BrmOdyITiC9kcaj6bbQ>)

Chapter News and Upcoming Events:

Toys & Memory Boxes: Ken Oliver reported that he has been overwhelmed by the response to the call to make the boxes; after delivering the needed boxes last Saturday, he still has 34 in storage! He also reported that we're on track to make all promised toy deliveries.

Pikes Peak Carvers Woodworking Show: Sat/Sun October 10-11

Show runs from 10: to 4:00 each day at **Colorado Springs Shine Club, 6 South 33rd Street, Colorado Springs, CO.** We will have a table to represent the Guild to the local community. Del Cox is gathering a roster of members to staff the table during show hours. To sign up, email Del at coxdel@mac.com.

Shop Tour: Bill Schlittler's shop

Saturday, October 10th from 10:00 to Noon
4350 Shoup Road, Colorado Springs.

Toy Build:

Tuesday, September 8th at Woodcraft from 1 to 4

Monthly Social Events: No RSVP needed

Lunch: 1 PM on 1st Wednesday at BJ's on N Nevada

Breakfast: 9 AM on 3rd Wednesday (September 16th) at First Watch on N Academy

Tour at Casey's Lumber in Woodland Park: Details are TBD

Due to staffing issues, they can only accommodate a tour on a weekday.

Jim Barry, Pikes Peak Chapter Lead

Toolbox Alerts

Rockler

- Rockler sales continue in September **and they have a Labor Day sale that ends on 10 September.** They are offering 20-25% off on a taper, a cutting board and a table box joint jig. Sale items include Dust-right components. Check it out on their website at rockler.com.

Woodcraft

- For the whole month of September, Woodcraft has some great up to 50% off savings on a number of items including a Razorsaw 9 ½ "double-edged saw, a Woodcraft Quick Cutting Corner Chisel, a Silicone Glue Roller and Tray, Sanding Pads, and a Honing Guide. Woodcraft is hosting Kreg Demo Days on 18 & 19 Sep with 20% discounts on many Kreg tools and jigs.

[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 Board Member-at-Large

CWG Sponsor Update

Paxton Woods



September Wood of the Month

- 4/4 F1F & Better
- Red Oak S3S 13/16" + SLR1E
- Regular Price \$6.44 / BF
- Sale Price \$4.00 / BF
- 38% Off

September Flash Special

- 4/4 Natural Walnut 13/16" + SLR1E
- Regular Price \$7.75 / BF
- Sale Price \$5.99 / BF
- 22% Off

Questions? Contact Dennis Stephens, denniss@paxtonwood.com

SHOP TOURS

Member shop tours are a great way to see how others accomplish their wood working, gain new insights and techniques and, as importantly, meet and get to know your fellow Colorado Woodworkers Guild (CWG) members. The following Shop Tours are scheduled or in the process of being finalized.

September 26, 2026 - 9:30am – Note that this is an entry together as a group

Denver Center for Performing Arts woodworking shop

1101 13th Street (corner of Arapahoe & 13th)

Denver, CO 80204

Ever want to see behind the curtain and see how live theatre is made? This is a one-time opportunity to see the commercial woodworking shop at the DCPA. We will be meeting at the admin entrance on 13th street. You may be able to find parking on the street on Saturday morning. Otherwise, park in the DCPA parking garage. This is a tour of the facility led by Jeff Gifford and, as noted above, we will all entering together at 9:30 AM. Jeff believes that he can convince one of his co-workers to assist him which means that he will be able to accommodate 30 of us. If not, this tour will be limited to the first 16 members who sign up. Separate email notifications to all members will be sent out that will include Sign Up Genius. You must sign up to be included on this tour.

October 10, 2026 – 10AM to 12PM

Bill Schlittler's shop

4350 Shoup Road

Colorado Springs, CO 80308

Details to come

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CO Lumber & Real Wood Furniture, 3636 N Stone Avenue Colorado Springs CO 80907 719-389-0100 Website: columber.net

CS Woods, 4355 Monaco Street, Unit A, Denver, CO 80206. Phone: 720-278-7797. Website: www.cswoods.com

Denver Wood Slabs, (By appointment only). 4903 Washington Street, Denver, CO 80216. Phone: 720-780-7752. Website: www.denverwoodslabs.com

Frank Paxton Lumber Company, 4837 Jackson Street, Denver, CO 80216. Phone: 303-399-6047. Website: www.paxtonwood.com/denver.aspx

InKleined, Andrew Klein, 9483 South Horsemint Way, Parker, CO
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Just Rustic Custom Woodworking, 224 Main Street, Fort Morgan, CO 80701. Phone: 303-324-4342. Website: justrusticco.com

Metal Supermarkets Colorado Springs, 1615 N Academy Boulevard, Colorado Springs, CO 80909. Phone: 719-413-8948 www.metalsupermarkets.com/location/colorado-springs

Metal Supermarkets Denver-Englewood, 1500 W Hampden Ave, Bldg 2, Suite A, Sheridan, CO 80110, Phone: 720-722-6317, www.metalsupermarkets.com/location/denver-englewood

Rockler Woodworking and Hardware, 2553 S. Colorado Blvd, Denver, CO 80222 Phone: 303-782-0588. Website: www.rockler.com/retail/denver-colorado-hardware-store.cfm

Rocky Mountain Saw Blades, 2936 S Zuni St, Unit C Englewood CO 80110 303-761-3000
Website: rmsawblades.com

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Website: www.sears-trostel.com

TC Woods, 5406 County Road 23 Ft. Lupton, CO 80621. Phone: 303-666-8989.
Website: www.tcwoods.com

Urban Forest Mill, 33S Pratt Parkway, Suite 100, Longmont, CO 80501. Phone: 303-746-6446. Website: urbanforestmill.com

Western Hardwoods, 8980 W 1st Street, Wellington, CO 80549. Phone: 970-966-4243.
Website: westernhardwoods.com

Where Wood Meets Steel, 4903 Washington Street, Denver, CO 80216. Phone: 720-780-7752. Website: www.wwms.net

Woodcraft of Colorado Springs: Woodcraft #501, 4438 Austin Bluffs Parkway, Colorado Springs, CO 80918. Phone: 719-266-9889, Fax: 866-869-2006. Website: 501wc@woodcraftcolorado.com

Woodcraft of Denver. 6770 S. Peoria Street Centennial, CO 80112. Phone: 303-290-0007.
Website: <http://www.woodcraft.com/stores/store.aspx?id=305>

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