

The Colonial Woodcutter

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Visitors are welcome

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Annual Membership Dues \$35

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The President's Angle:

Fellow Woodworkers and Friends,

First of all, I want to thank all of you for having the confidence in me to lead our organization. It will be an honor to be President of the Annapolis Woodworkers Guild.



I have had an interest in woodworking since I was around 7 years old. I started out building bird-houses, shelves and some small furniture as a kid. I helped my grandfather make gingerbread. No, not the kind you eat, but the fretwork trim and grille work you see on Victorian houses. That was my first taste of scroll sawing. This was all done only with a coping saw, until I was given a 1948 Sears Jig Saw (scroll saw) in 1959. I took wood shop every year in Junior High and High School.

When military duty came along, woodworking fell out of sight. 20 years later in 1988 I retired from the Air Force and decided I needed a hobby. Hello woodworking! I started buying tools and got back into woodworking. In 1994 I wanted to specialize, so I chose scroll sawing. Here I am today teaching scroll sawing and President of the Annapolis woodworkers Guild.

With the help of my staff, we are going to continue to bring you the best speakers, the best training and just have some plain old fun. This is your guild, and we are going to need your help. We want to see your work, so bring it to “show and tell”. We want to learn from you. Let’s become one big happy family, and let’s have some fun.

Paul

Our June Speaker will be - -

Joel LaFenroerre. He will address aspects on the application of waxes on wood.

Our May Guest Speaker was **Ken Reinhard**, a professional furniture designer with over forty years in the designs of commercial furniture. His designs are internationally known by several large furniture companies including Herman Miller. His company is Ken Reinhard Design Associates, in Stevensville, MD.

Many of his design ideas arise from simply one of four points: inspiration, observation, conversation, and then, perspiration. One of his designs derived from a balcony support on a building in Venice, Italy. He showed a sketch of the original balcony and then the evolution through models and prototypes to a finished chair, which is now in commercial production. Another aspect was his design for a hospital chair having the useful facility of a supporting shelf for carrying the necessary paraphernalia used in a hospital environment.

In a different environment, he described the development of a chair based on a single frame with legs, arms, and even a crest added to create a multitude of varying chair styles. These included various styles of arm rests.



AWG—FIRST AID KIT

What do you have as some sort of first aid kit materials to you have in your shop? If you're like me, it may be just a box of bandaids, maybe a tube of antiseptic jell, perhaps a square of gauze, and a - - Prayer. But with the type of equipment that we work with, we really should prudently have more, much, much more.

Accordingly, The Annapolis Woodworker's Guild has now purchased a *first aid kit* for every member of the guild. The only requirement to receive your *free* first aid kit is to be a paid up member of the Guild. At the end of the meetings in June, July, and August we will have a table set up at the rear of the room. Just write your initial next to your name on the membership list and you will receive your first aid kit. If you cannot come to a meeting, you may have a Guild member pick it up for you. You need only write his/her initials next to your name on the membership list. The items supplied will give you a basic set-up and you may then perhaps add to your kit, but, most of all, keep it available.

We implore you to pick up your first aid kit. We would like to see every member of the Guild have a first aid kit in their shop. You never know when an accident will happen (I sure had mine!). *Be prepared.*

Erstwhile Golfers - - -

Three AWG members took it upon themselves to represent the Davidson United Methodist Church's annual charity golf outing on April



29th at the South River Golf Club, in support of our host Church. The claim is that they scored an even par! Hmmm? And, here are the culprits:

AWG Board Meeting

Hosted by Paul Dodson:

Board Minutes were reviewed and approved. Minutes will go to President and Historian.

Appointments were then made as follows:

Education Co-Chair:

George Swisher, after many years of service, George has asked to be relieved. In place, Pat Applegate agreed to stay on; Mike Arndt also volunteered.

Endowment Comm:

Richard Valentich agreed to stay on. Bill O'Berry agreed to assist.

Newsletter Editors: Denny Scrivens and David Blois and Melve Daniel agreed to assist.

Librarian: Bob Bridgers will serve another 90 days; Henry Chavez will assist.

Historian: Jim Francis will continue for interim.

Ticket Sales: Don Ames and Adam Schmitt

Charity Chair: Vicki Kunde to serve as the entire toy collection charity function

Web Master: Dave Tate

Photographer: Doc Bohlman

Sound Engineer: Bernie Lammers and Rick Hodgdon

Projectionist:: Pat Applegate

Problem Box: Nick Carlucci

First Aid Sample Kit was approved provided that Guild Members' dues paid up and in good standing. Additional kits for Members only at a price of \$10.

Monthly drawings will remain at \$1.00; but with quarterly drawings at \$5.00. (Next drawing will be in July.)

AWG Twenty-Fifth Anniversary: A committee was established to determine where possible. i.e. *Where-When-What Form.* (Sandy Point was mentioned.) The Committee will consist of Paul Dodson, Andy Borland, Al Veiel.

Christmas Party: Reserved to be at the Elks Club. Band has been reserved. The date is Dec. 12, '13.

Paul Dodson also suggested a *Road Trip::* Proposed trip to George Nakashima location in New Hope, PA. Proposed Date is Sept 21 or 28. Harry Chavez will look in to transportation options. Item to be included in Newsletter.

Trailer: Harry Chavez will request assistance in organizing the trailer contents and determine if any repairs are needed. Paul Dodson, Don Ames, Bill Carbin, volunteered to assist.

Benson Hammond House: Jim Francis visited: we need to investigate further how best to hinge the door(s).

Library: Bob Bridgers will continue for only 90 days. He also advised that replacing of magazines with books would be quite expensive. Harry Chavez volunteered to assist in a survey of what may be needed. Bambi Sublett will be invoiced for the "Polygons" book.

June Speaker: Joe LaFerroer, of Howard County Woodworkers, will give a presentation on "waxing" and its applications. Hugh Houghton will confirm his presentation.

Newsletter: *Any and all Guild members* are encouraged to submit any additional items of interest for the newsletter. The newsletter needs to be composed generally by fourth Thursday of each month, so items should be submitted by then.

The Problem Box

Nick Carlucci is still recuperating so Jim Francis read the single question: How do you resize a scroll saw pattern?

A. Adjust the size on a PC printer, or on a copier, for a nearly free answer, but Harry Chavez also pointed out that there is software, called “Rapid Resizer” or “Pattern Wizard” (but for a price).

Show and Tell!

Jack Hirrlinger introduced our exhibitors.

Bill Norris was first with a neat wooden oak puzzle he made for children. Unfortunately, it is not very well shown but Bill will kindly give the plans. He has sold a lot of them!



Andy Borland produced a wooden tool box kit he made for the Cub Scouts. He made about 13 kits of unfinished poplar. These had a dowel holder, and the pieces all fit together.

This included a nice hammer he found a hammer at Harbor Freight for just \$4 bucks (the small size hammer is just right for smaller hands), plus a tape measure.

It is just the sort of project that one could keep for household tools, regardless of bump and scratches. Sadly, here, no picture.

Mike Arndt then showed one of his very first projects he made for himself many years ago, at age 14. It is a pair of antelopes measuring 9” x 25” of Philippine mahogany (at that time, Mike considered to be this an exotic lumber). It still looks pretty good, with a Formica background and frame.

Pretty darn good



Next,

Lee Bryton demonstrated how he put together an elliptical frame using a modified circular dovetails. These are quite tightly cut into the curved piece, with a very well fitting piece of joinery. One can hardly see the four dovetails



Demonstration:

Jim Francis described the new - - “A-Line-It” gauge. This is a multi-purpose tool designed to adjust and fine tool saw blades, drill presses, joiner knives, and indeed most every large power tool. There may be a learning curve to fully appreciate the versatility of this tool.

The gauge is a recent purchase of the Guild and will be available to members on a loaner basis. Don Ames will be the point man for keeping track of this tool.

The Door Prizes -



Chris McDonald
Lowes Gift Card

Lloyd Gleason
Ear Muffs
hearing protection
(Lloyd, not again !)



Bud Powell
Ear Plugs
Hearing Protection

And, finally - - -Don Ames presented **Jim Francis** with the Guild’s very special award for his innovative and generally outstanding services to the Guild over this past year.

Jim then received a well-deserved round of applause by all.



Ken Reinhard variations - -

An example of one of his hospital beds that having a retractable arm to assist a patient in exiting from a chair - the arm will rise or retract to assist the patient from the chair.



A nice example of his joinery in making a chair.



Another chair design also showing variations in the arm structures.

