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Next Meeting
Thursday,
October 21st, 2004
gather at 6:00 PM
meeting starts promptly
at 6:30 PM

Don't forget your Show
and Tell items

Wheels for Toys
Available at Meeting

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President's Message

To my knowledge last month was the first time a Guild meeting has been cancelled due to a hurricane. (There's some great windfall wood on the roadsides.) When Ivan hit, I was in Oregon and the weather out there was beautiful.

Ivan has made the remainder of our year more compressed - We have a lot to do in this next few months. ***The show at the Hoover Library will be on us in just a couple of weeks*** (see page 2 for details). We need everybody to enter a piece and also to volunteer to man the exhibit during the week.

After the show we will only have about three weeks to complete the toys for the Children's Hospital. Thanks to **Shane Carter**, The Friday Group (led by **Buddy Finch** and **Lee Beadles**) has been making toys at his shop while Woodcraft refurbishes their shop. In addition to their work we will need about 1500 more to reach our goal. Here's an idea, build a really nice toy and put it in the show.

I hope to see everyone on the 21st - we need your help and participation to have a great ending to what has been a great year!

Paul

We're Talking Safety

For our September program we planned to talk safety, since Ivan cancelled our meeting, we will try again in October.

The potential for injury in woodworking activities is high. The purpose of this presentation is to raise the awareness level of our members and to provide some cautions that we all should follow.



We are fortunate to have in our membership three highly qualified individuals to speak on this subject, **Dr. Hal Skalka**, **Mr. Mike Key**, and **Dr. Chuck Solomon**.

Lets learn how to stay safe while we enjoy making those wood chips fly!

Bill Shivers

IT'S SHOW TIME!!

Set up is
October 23, 2004 10:00 AM
 Hoover Public Library

Dust it off, shine it up and bring it on down. I'm talking about all of the great work we have seen in Show and Tell this year, plus all those items that have been completed and saved to impress us in the show or something that you have built in the past and not yet shared with Guild members and guests.

Show set up time is a fun time shared by everyone there, lots of opportunity to get a good look at other members work, privately critique the items at your leisure, swap "war stories" about your projects and share the pride in the quality of workmanship presented in the show.

Show entries in the categories of *Traditional Furniture, Contemporary Furniture, Wood Turnings and Small Objects* will be judged based on skill levels of Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced and Master. Show entries in the categories of *Wood Carving, Shop Tools/Jigs and Toys* will be judged as open categories. Entry forms and information will be available at the Hoover Library on Saturday morning during show set-up.

Items will be displayed until Sunday, October 31st, when item pick up begins at 2 PM when the Library opens.

Loading and unloading is done on the lower level, which you reach by taking the second left after turning onto Municipal Drive from Highway 31.

Show hours are the same as Library hours:
Monday-Thursday 9AM to 9PM
Friday 9AM to 6 PM
Saturday 10 AM to 6 PM
Sunday 2 PM to 6 PM

Bring your work and participate...
Let's have another great show!

SHOW RECEPTION

Members of the Alabama Woodworkers Guild are hosting a reception on Monday, October 25th beginning at 6:00 PM. Our judge, the incredibly talented, long time Guild member, **Dale Lewis**, will have made his selections on Monday.

Come see who all has ribbons and celebrate with the show participants! The reception will be held at the Hoover Public Library in the reception area adjacent to the exhibit on the first floor of the Library.

Members, their guests, and the public is welcome. There will be voting for the "BEST of SHOW" during the exhibit with the ribbon being awarded at the November meeting.

Come celebrate with us!

Our Show Judge, Dale Lewis

Our show judge is one of our own long time members, **Dale Lewis**. Dale is also member of The Furniture Society. He has been published in numerous publications including Fine Woodworking, Woodwork, and The Birmingham Magazine. Dale has participated in exhibitions across the country and amassed a large number of awards. His works are displayed in several local museums.

You can check out some of his work on the net at www.dalewis.net. His web site describes his work as "whimsically elegant wood". Dale creates unique, one of a kind pieces with excellent joinery and wonderful finishes. He is well versed in the art and craft of woodworking and a worthy judge for our show.



"Remember how at previous shows we had a monitor on Tuesday through Friday to answer questions and to provide security for our show?"

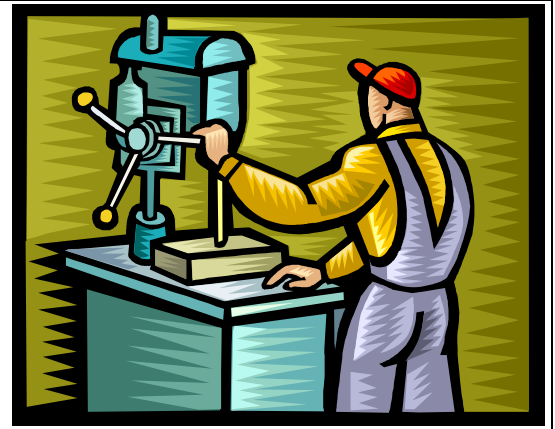
We need volunteers again this year to do the same. If you are willing to work a 4-hour shift at the show, please sign the indicated time on a sheet as it is passed around at our October meeting. Be sure to include your phone number."

NOVEMBER IS TOY TIME

YOU KNOW WHAT'S IN STORE,
2004 TOYS PLUS A HUNDRED MORE.

GET THE PEDAL TO THE METAL,
LET CHIPS AND SAWDUST HIT THE FLOOR.

KIDS ARE WAITING FOR TOYS FROM THE GUILD,
WE'VE MADE A LOT BUT NEED EVEN MORE.



Toy makers are meeting on Fridays at noon either at Shane Carter's shop on 7th Avenue South in Birmingham or at WoodCraft on Hwy 119 in Pelham. Our plan is to be at Wood-Craft on October 22nd (if WoodCraft has completed their renovations). Call Buddy Finch (205) 967-2376 to find out for sure where we're meeting this week.

Do You Mind?

We have recently had requests for copies of our mailing list. *After being promised that the list would not be sold or shared with anyone else*, your board thought that you would want us to share your addresses with those particular folks.

Ron Peyton, who gave our presentation at the last meeting, would like to send each of you information about the Dogwood Institute. Then the good folks at Klingspor sent us a letter about becoming a Guild supporter. They would like us to become one of the several guilds in the south east that they offer a 10% discount along with catalogs on sanding products they sell.

We would like your input. Since we think that most of you will want the info and the discount, ***we are asking that anyone who does not want their address shared to let us know.***

We are going to have a list at the October meeting that you can sign to opt out or you can contact **Bill Shivers** at (205)525-4601.

Items for Sale

Here are two of my surplus woodworking tools that may be of value to someone in the Guild.

Sears cast iron Jointer-planer 3 foot long bed with 6" cut. It is on the Sears stand with wheels that lock. It is belt driven with 3 hp motor in the stand. It is like brand new only being used maybe a dozen times. \$ 450

Sears 10" Radial Arm saw like new. Used very little. Modification saw guard upgrade with new controls and new 40" table boards was applied just after Sears changed the design from Emersion Electric. It is now the same as the Rigid machine at Home Depot. Had Sears table with wheels. \$ 475

Can supply photos by mail or E-mail. Phone number 991-6380.

Thanks, Bill Battle

Meeting Directions:

Homewood Senior Center 816 Oak Grove Road
Homewood, AL

To Homewood Senior Center:

From I65 South, take the West Oxmoor exit, merge into center lane. Go through 2 lights.

When in doubt, merge left. At the 3rd light (Florida Grill and Weygang Survey-

ors) take a left. Go to the black mail box and turn right into Senior Center property. The center has a green roof. (205) 943-0018

From I65 North, take the Oxmoor Road exit. Turn left. Go under interstate (3 lights).

When in doubt, merge left. At the 3rd light (Florida Grill and Weygang Surveyors) take a left. Go to the black mail box and turn right into Senior Center property. The center has a green roof. (205) 943-0018

About Us

Alabama Woodworkers Guild Newsletter is published monthly for its members and other interested parties. Guild meetings are held monthly on the third Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at the Homewood Senior Center, 816 Oak Grove Road, Homewood, AL.

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