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President's Message

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Our November meeting will feature our Friday Group's toy building effort for the year as well as individual toy builders working in home shops to contribute toys. Representatives of Children's Hospital will be on hand to accept the many toys intended for children admitted to the hospital for long periods. **Ralph Hardwick**, our Friday Group Leader invites anyone who can to come out and participate in this worthwhile activity. Even if you are still working you can take off early on a Friday, bring your lunch, and enjoy the fellowship while doing something nice for others.

There are many other activities taking place this fall. We have just concluded a wonderful Annual Show at Hoover Library. **John Lawson** and team coordinated well over a hundred entries this year featuring several unique woodworking projects. Brian Stauss will be posting pictures on the Guild web site.

The boat building class just wrapped up with an excellent 14 ft. wooden boat being the end product. The Guild has this boat for sale if anyone is interested in a fine, sea worthy, craft. See **John Lawson** or **Charlie Ard** for details.

Our cabinet building class is in full swing. You can see the fine oak cabinets at the WEC. The door building portion (taught by a BUSY **John Lawson** and **Walter Barnett**) wrapped up Sunday Oct. 31st. and the dovetail drawer making portion, being taught by **Mike Key**, completes Nov. 6th. The classes will then spray and assemble the finished cabinets. These cabinets will be installed in Habitat for Humanity's "Christmas House" on December 4th to be used by a much deserving family.

Lastly, don't forget the Guild Christmas Party on Thursday evening, December 9th. This is for you and your spouse or a friend. Just bring a dish of some type. If you can pick up a door prize from your favorite merchant, that would be great but not required.

Monta

Next Meeting
Saturday,
November 20, 2010
 Pre-meeting 9:30 to 10 am
 Meeting 10 to 11 am
 Lunch immediately after.
 Don't forget your
Show and Tell

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2011 Officer Nominations

President: Monta King	Vice President: Dwight Hostetter
Secretary: Dan Langford	Treasurer: Walter Barnett
Directors: Preston Lawley and Lynn Smith	

Nominations from the members will be welcomed and the candidates will be voted on at the November meeting.

Bulletin Board

Guild Christmas Party: December 9 See presidents message on this page for more information. Also see P. 5 of the October newsletter.

Hot dogs & hamburgers will be served for lunch after our meeting. It costs about \$5 a person to provide so you're asked to chip in to help cover the cost.

October Meeting Program

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Professor **John Morgan** and
Some of his creations



November Program

Fred and Elsie Baker Memorial Toy Program

We devote our November meeting each year to the celebration of our **Fred and Elsie Baker Memorial Toy Program**. This year, as in years past, representatives from Children's Hospital will be there in person to pick up the toys. Thousands of toys will be donated by the guild. Most of these toys have been made by the dedicated members of the Friday toy group. The group works year-round on one of the most important efforts that the guild engages in. The toy program is the guild effort that is most well known by the general public and earns well deserved attention from the news media each year. This effort benefits our community and reflects favorably on our organization year-after-year.

Please consider making a few toys to contribute to the children of our community. There is still time left to make a few items. If you decide to make toys, they do not have to be elaborate. They can be as simple as unfinished cutouts. Please sand the toys to be sure that there are no splinters that could injure the children. Please bring the toys to the November meeting.

Editors Note: Thank you, toy group members. You work hard year-round to make many children happier as they undergo some difficult times in their lives. I can't think of a higher calling. **BN**

Library News

The VHS player and the big-screen TV in the library are working! Feel free to use them to view VHS tapes from the large selection available in the library. Does anyone have a DVD player that they can contribute to the library? We have some woodworking DVDs and need a way to play them on our TV. If you have a DVD player, please contact **Eddie Heerten**, our Librarian.

Premium DeWalt miter saw will be raffled off and a lucky winner will be announced at the December Christmas Party!

Tickets for the raffle will be available at the November meeting. Buy several at a discount and your chances will be improved. The saw was contributed by the local DeWalt representative

Comfort Bucket

There's a bucket sitting on the sign in table at each of our meetings. *That bucket is there for you to put in a couple of bucks for the "comfort" of having a nice place to meet.* Those contributions help to defray the costs of heating, air conditioning, refreshments, and paper products. There was a time when we met in a warehouse without any of these amenities and at the convenience of others. Be grateful!



AWG and Woodworking Center Calendar November/December 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
21[47] 1:00pm - 5:00pm Randall Robertson	22	23	24	25	26	27
				WEC closed for Thanksgiving	WEC closed for Thanksgiving	WEC closed for Thanksgiving
28[48] WEC closed for Thanksgiving	29	30	1	2	3	4
			Dec 6:30pm - 7:30pm AWG Board Meeting (J R Prewitt & Associates, 2146 Highland Avenue South)	9:00am - 3:00pm Thursday @WEC	9:00a-1:00p Ron Powell 11:00am - 3:00p- Toys 1:00p-5:00p Ron Powell 5:00pm - 9:00p Mike Key	9:00am - 1:00pm Bob Moore -- supervisor 1:00p-5:00pm Bob Moore
5[49] 1:00pm - 5:00pm Randall Robertson	6	7	8	9	10	11
				9:00am - 3:00pm Thursday @WEC	9:00a-1:00p R Hardwick 11:00am - 3:00p - Toys 1:00p-5:00p Troy Stroud 5:00-9:00 Eddie Heerten	9:00am - 1:00pm ... Brian Staus 1:00pm - 5:00pm ... Monta King
12[50] 1:00pm - 5:00pm ... Eddie Heerten	13	14	15	16	17	18
				9:00am - 3:00pm Thursday @WEC	9:00am - 1:00pm R Hardwick 11:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys 1:00pm - 5:00pm Troy Stroud - Supervisor 5:00pm - 9:00pm ... Mike Key	8:00am - 9:00am No Meeting This Month 9:00am - 11:30am No Meeting 9:00am - 1:00pm ... Brian Staus 1:00pm - 5:00pm Pat Bush

The most current WEC calendar is always available on-line at: <http://freecal.brownbears.com/awg>

AWG SHOW REPORT 2010

Ribbons Awarded by Category

Traditional Furniture		First	Second	Third
Beginner		Christian Mazur	George Taylor	Rob McClure
Intermediate		Preston Lawley	Art Chamblee	Ed Bullock
Advanced		Dan Browning	Walter Barnet	Buzz & Nelda Kelly
Contemporary Furniture		First	Second	Third
Intermediate		Chris Heerten	Jean Spruil	Patrick Bush
Advanced		Eddie Heerten	Bill Shivers	Mike Key
Turnings		First	Second	Third
Beginner		Jim Burk		
Intermediate		Patrick Bush	Eddie Heerten	John Lawson
Advanced		Dwight Hostetter	Nevin Newton	Bill Hubbard
Small Objects		First	Second	Third
Beginner		Dudley Massey	Rob McClure	Monta King
Intermediate		Jim Woodward	Paul LeSueur	Ed Bullock
Advanced		Cliff Daniels	AWG Class	Jeff Hood
Carving		First	Second	Third
Open		Bill Hubbard	Bill Hubbard	Bill Hubbard
Tools	Open	Ed Bullock	Ed Bullock	Dwight Hostetter
Toys	Open	Ralph Hardwick	Ralph Hardwick	Buzz & Nelda Kelly

Total Entries was exactly 100, though a few people entered multiples under one entry, so total objects entered was something like 105.

John Lawson



Some of the objects from the Alabama Woodworkers Guild Annual show at the Hoover Library. Many very favorable comments were received from those who attended the show.

Now is a good time to start projects for the 2011 show.



Welcome New Members!

Jerry Boling, Phillip Eggers and Shannon O'Dell

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WOODWORKING EDUCATION CENTER (WEC)

SawStop Table Saws: Well, we have had another accident. An individual cut a finger while making a dado cut on SawStop #2. I still encourage everyone to think your process through and be aware of everything going on around you no matter which machine you are working on.

We have done a lot of clean up outside since last month. The dead tree on the south end of the lot has been cut down and placed in the dumpster. The oak wood left over from the chair making class has also been cleaned up. At the last meeting we asked everyone that had a personal item in the north room to please take it home so that everything could be re-arranged and the ceiling could be finished. We still need everyone to take care of this. I would like to remind you that our lumber prices are the best in town, so buy your lumber at the WEC. As of this writing all equipment at the WEC is in good working order.

Cliff Daniels



Boat for Sale!

The boat that was constructed by the guild boatbuilding class is for sale. It is a beautiful 14 foot wooden boat with classic lines it is capable of being powered by oars or by a small outboard motor. This is a great boat for the lake, pond or bay. It was on display at the annual show at the Hoover library and has now been sold. The proceeds from the sale of the boat will go to the general fund of the guild.

The members of the class were: **John Lawson, Ed Bullock, Robert McClure, Henry Hager and Brian Burke.** Charlie Ard was the instructor. The team called themselves the "Boat Dividiants". They learned much about building boats and they contributed significantly to the guild treasury. A heart-felt thank you to the Boat Dividiants.



About Us

Alabama Woodworkers Guild Newsletter is published monthly for its members and other interested parties. Guild meetings are held monthly on the third Saturday at 9:00 a.m. at the Woodworking Education Center, 10544 Hwy 17, Maylene, AL 35114

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