

GUILD OF OREGON WOODWORKERS

P.O. Box 13744, Portland, OR 97213-0744 (503) 761-0070
<http://www.guildoforegonwoodworkers.com>

Our 21st Year!

NEWSLETTER

Vol. 21, No. 1 January 2004

NEXT MEETING: Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, February 18th, at Crosscut Hardwoods in Portland at 3065 NW Front Avenue. (In March, we'll be at Woodcrafters in Portland where we'll have a representative from Freud to tell us about router bits.) The program will be Part II of the dovetail jig demonstration, also known as "Router Rodeo." The board meeting starts at 5pm. The general meeting starts at 7pm. **Note:** At the February meeting, we'll be voting for two new Board members. This is a housekeeping measure as Ariel has been serving as Mentor Chair and Roger Tuck as Refreshments Chair. Pursuant to the bylaws, the Board has nominated them for election to the Board at the next meeting.

Directions from I-5 going north:

Take the I-405 exit 299B to City Center/US 26W
Merge onto I-405 via exit 1A to Hwy 26
Merge onto US 30 via Exit 3 to St. Helens
Merge onto Yeon Avenue
Take the Front Avenue Ramp toward Terminal 1-2
Right onto Front Avenue

From I-5 going south:

Take US 30 via exit 21B towards Portland
Merge onto I-405 S via Exit 302B towards St. Helens
Merge onto US 30 via Exit 3 to St. Helens
Merge onto Yeon Avenue
Take the Front Avenue Ramp toward Terminal 1-2
Right onto Front Avenue

MEETING MINUTES: President John DuBay called the January meeting of the Board to order at 5 PM at Woodcraft Supply in Tigard. The minutes of the November meeting were approved as circulated. President's Report: John presented his ideas for a new meeting agenda and format and a brief "state of the Guild" report showing that the Guild continues to grow and the leadership is interested in improving programs and services to members. Treasurer's Report: For 2003 expenses outpaced income by \$136, but the Guild ended the year with a general fund reserve of \$2312. The 2004 proposed budget will be discussed at the general meeting. Committee Reports; the Board received reports regarding insurance coverage (with growth in membership and general rate increases, our costs will go up this year), storage for the Guild booth furniture (currently in a rental facility, but looking for cost-free alternatives with a member or sponsor), and a report on the Christmas party expenses (with kudos to Roger Tuck for his organization of the food portion of the event).

Discussion items: (1) Mike Kelly presented the budget committee's proposal for the 2004 budget. There was considerable discussion about ways of controlling expenses, including reducing mailing costs for the Newsletter, reducing phone costs, and others. Voting was deferred to later in the meeting, pending those discussions. (2) The members' survey conducted by Gail Haskett was presented and discussed in detail. There was a very good rate of return and it provided good information about our membership including why they joined the Guild, what they wanted most from the Guild, and their likes and dislikes about the present programs. This information will be available on the website and will be discussed in greater detail later in this Newsletter. The Board plans to use this information to plan programs and events to improve member satisfaction. (3) The board discussed Gary Rogowski's proposal for a "Helping Hands" benefit workshop for Our House, a residential AIDS facility in SE Portland. The Board voted to support one member to attend this at Guild expense. There will be a raffle next month to award the prize. Other members are encouraged to support the effort as well. See the announcement elsewhere in the Newsletter for details. (4) The Board voted to authorize Mike Kelly and John Payne to evaluate and select an on-line message server to replace our current phone system to reduce telephone costs. (5) The proposal to eliminate mailing of the Newsletter to people with e-mail capability was tabled to the next meeting in the interest of time. (6) The proposed budget was approved, with the proviso that additional efforts will continue to reduce expenses further. The Board meeting was then adjourned at 6:40, so that board members could meet and greet the general members as they assembled for the meeting.

GENERAL MEETING: The general meeting was called to order at 7 PM. New members were introduced and welcomed. Several "show and tell" items were displayed showing wonderful and varied craftsmanship. David Doughty then introduced the topic for the evening: "router rodeo." Three stations were set up, with Ariel Enriquez demonstrating the Keller jig, George DuBois using the Leigh jig and Lee Johnson fashioning hand cut dovetails. Members were encouraged to move from station to station to compare the various jigs and methods. After about an hour, the three demonstrators got together to compare their results and to answer questions about the various techniques. With over 90 people in attendance (a record number) it proved to be an interesting and lively evening. Thanks to demonstrators, to Roger Tuck for organizing the refreshments, and to Woodcraft Supply for hosting the event.

THE PRESIDENT SPEAKS *by John DuBay*

I just didn't get it. The reports from Guild booth volunteers at the summer and fall shows about the increasing interest in the Guild and the number of new members signed up seemed a welcome trickle. Then last fall the membership chair Joe Stoltzfus confirmed the trickle to be a steady stream. The Guild had grown, while my back was turned and my consciousness dimmed, to the hard fact that the Guild had grown to 250 members, the largest in its history. It was still just a number. Then, the reality hit home at our January meeting when about 90 people, including a substantial number of newbies, happily crammed themselves into Woodcraft's classroom for the Guild's first meeting in 2004.

Besides the good attendance, the number of people crowded around each of the three demonstrators, their close attention to the various techniques to make this signature joint, and the question and answer session that followed, all showed how much the demonstration resonated with the members. Thanks, Dave Doughty, for setting up this program.

And there's more to come. The meeting next month at Crosscut Hardwoods will present three more dovetail jigs and the chance to make your comparisons and evaluations. Keep your eye on the upcoming seminars, too. This most popular activity of the Guild looks better than ever this year. Eric Snow unveiled the 17 seminar topics and dates at the January meeting (and are included in this newsletter) and application blanks will be available soon.

Also, we're all looking forward to the Guild's first-ever field trip in early summer. We'll visit several wood related businesses, both suppliers and fabricators, in the south Willamette Valley. You won't want to miss this one.

Keep that calendar handy!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Board needs your help! The Guild needs: a) Dry storage space for the Guild show furniture. The budget needs relief from the burden of paying for current storage, about \$700/year; b) Temporary use of a router table and an Incra positioning fence for the February meeting dovetail demo. We'd also like a volunteer to demonstrate the Incra system.

THE SEMINAR SCHEDULE IS HERE! (for more information, contact Eric Snow at 503-631-3020)

SEMINAR	SUBJECT	DATE
7	Carcase joinery	24 April
5	Finishing 1 and surface prep for success	1 May
2	Chair Making	15 May
6	Interactive design workshop	29 May
12	Making your own fine hand tools	12 June
4	Carving Ball and Claw legs	18 June
10	Building a simple web site	26 June
8	Establishing your own woodworking business	17 July
1	Design and the art of Chair Making	31 July
13	Finishing 2, use of Milk paint, crackle finishes and other unique finish materials.	7 Aug
11	How to use "Ecabinet Systems" computer design software	18 Sept
3	Veneering 1	9 Oct
14	Veneering 2	10 Oct

Membership Survey Results In

Results of the 2004 membership survey show that most members join the Guild to network with other woodworkers, while only a slightly lower percentage join to gain information about resources for tools and wood. Gail Haskett's survey report to the Board anticipates this type of data will give the Guild Directors a useful handle on what the members want for meeting programs, seminars and other Guild functions. She reports that 113 completed surveys were returned out of the 243 mailed out. "That's an unusually high return rate," she said. The survey also tallied members' choices of program and seminar topics, their willingness to volunteer as mentors, to help at Guild shows, and to serve on Guild committees.

Dean Mattson, the Planning and Development Chair, said, "This is terrific. It's exactly what we need to tailor Guild activities to respond to members' preferences."

In addition to the numbers of boxes checked off as survey responses, the survey report also lists every handwritten comment given on the survey forms. To see the survey and the complete survey results, go to the Guild website, www.guildoforegonwoodworkers.com.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS! Please help us welcome the following new Guild members: Walt Amour, Dennis Dolph, Mickey Meredith, David Wiper, Greg Gallino, James Lucht, Richard Morgan, Norman Michaud, Mike Ballas, Christ Teeuwen, Bill Bruno, Ken Lawler, Brian Riverman, W. Paul Brown, Kent Smith, Bill Gatzke, Jim Heitch, John Maloney, H.C. Robison, Bob Stern, Kerry Walker, Bob Boughton, Judith Heath, Doug Siemens, Sid Sutherland, Laura Reilen, John Carter, David Thorness.

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW!

Thanks to all who have renewed their membership in the Guild of Oregon Woodworkers. If you have not already done so, don't forget to renew this month. Memberships for 2003 expire at the end of this month, January 31, 2004. You can use the return envelope sent with the renewal notice, or renew on the web page <http://www.guildoforegonwoodworkers.com>, or mail a check to: Guild of Oregon Woodworkers, 710 Lamplighter Circle SE, Salem, OR 97302

FIELD TRIP COMING UP

The Guild is planning a field trip in May or early June to two professional shops and two wood vendors in the Southern Willamette Valley. We will carpool or caravan from Salem and have a picnic lunch at the Buena Vista ferry landing. Watch this space for more details.

NOTE TO THE GUILD FROM THE NORTHWEST WOODWORKING STUDIO

The Northwest Woodworking Studio has been happy to help promote the activities of the Guild and work hand in hand with it to help promote woodworking education. My personal hope is that Guild members will find our programs, both the classes for locals and our summer program bringing in instructors from around the country, more inviting in the future. We have no requirements for admissions to most of our classes and welcome woodworkers of all abilities, even George. Quit sweating over what you know or don't know, and come on in. I took a woodworking class myself last year and had a blast.

Okay, that being said, we are this winter instituting a new program of yearly benefit classes. Those of us who are lucky enough to be ambulatory, self-sufficient, and the final gift, woodworkers, need to realize that our skills can be put to great use in the service of others. We can build things for others less fortunate than ourselves and at the same time learn some woodworking skills.

This March 13 and 14 we will offer a Helping Hands: Benefit Workshop for Our House of Portland. Our House, located in Southeast Portland, is the only 24-hour residential AIDS facility in Oregon. In the two-day workshop you will help to build small bookshelves/CD holders and coat racks for the facility as well as building one for yourself. We will learn skills in template work, routing, shaping, and finishing. Both hand and power tools will be used to build these items. All of our instructors will be helping out in this workshop. It should be a lot of fun. Tuition for this workshop is all tax-deductible as well. Make out your check for \$175.00 to Our House. Start the New Year off right. Come and do some woodworking for yourself and for others. Thanks very much. Gary Rogowski, Northwest Woodworking Studio

The Guild will provide one paid admission to Gary Rogowski's March 13 and 14 Helping Hands Benefit Workshop. We'll draw names at the February meeting.

THE GUILD LIBRARY

The Guild Library is open to all members and is continuing to grow. Please check out the Guild's website for a full listing of our collection and for information on how you can check out some of these resources.

Mentoring

The Guild continues to seek out members who would be willing to share their expertise on a one-to-one basis. Most often mentoring will be a single episode of help with a specific project, but sometimes a more structured, true mentoring relationship may develop. Please e-mail Tom McCann at tmcmd@internetcds.com if you are willing to participate. The longer the list of potential mentors we have, the more likely we'll be able to match up mentors with members who are requesting help. **And thank you to all of the mentors who are currently helping their fellow Guild members!**

Flag Cases for 9-11 Families

The Guild is part of a national network producing commemorative flag cases for the families of victims of September 11th. George DuBois, our Guild President, has been in contact with some of the families who have received the flag cases. The cases have brought a lot of comfort to these grieving families, knowing their loved ones are remembered. George has been organizing work groups to produce the flag cases over the last several months. The Guild is asking for your help. We need volunteers to help with the work parties that are milling wood and cutting the case pieces. There are also flag cases ready for assembly and finishing now- all the case pieces are already cut for you. Contact George DuBois at 503-365-7636.

Email Updates: We need your current email address. If and when you change addresses, please notify the Guild so we can keep our records up to date. Key people to notify are: Joe Stoltzfus, who keeps track of the membership master list (joemarj@earthlink.net), and Larry Piper (larrypiper@earthlink.net), who sends out the email copies of the Newsletter. Thanks for your cooperation.

Put pictures of your work on our website! Webmaster David Doughty is seeking photos of members' work to feature on the website. This is an easy way to showcase your work to the public at no cost to you! He will also publish a brief biography of the member and information on how to contact you. Check out the website to see how it works, then contact David and send him your material. This is yet another way the Guild serves its members.

Get your Newsletter copy via email or from the website and save the Guild postage: With new software, we can now produce a PDF document that retains its formatting in the email version and is much easier to read than prior editions. Also, the website has a well-formatted version that you can access, as well as past Newsletters in its archives. **Please contact Larry Piper at larrypiper@earthlink.net to have your name removed from the U.S. Mail list.**

Joining the Guild: If you wish to join the Guild or renew your membership, please contact Joe Stoltzfus at 503-763-0829, or joemarj@earthlink.net. And be sure to promote the Guild to your friends and associates who have an interest in woodworking. The Guild is a great resource!

EDITOR'S CORNER

I wanted to thank everyone for getting your submissions to me by deadline. You've really come through! I also wanted to ask our members to follow a few guidelines when submitting information to the newsletter. Information should be complete. In addition, no fancy fonts or font colors and no tables or graphics, all of which take a tremendous amount of time to reformat. The information you submit should be what you want to see in print. The editor does only minor editing.

Reminder: DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS TO THE NEWSLETTER is 5pm on the Wednesday following the Guild meetings. Classified ads run for only one issue. Contact me to renew your ad at fundingsolutionsnw@comcast.net, 503-371-8886, 1665 Diamond Peak Ct. NW, Salem, OR 97304.

CLASSIFIEDS

(Reminder: Ads need to be resubmitted each month, by 5pm on the Wednesday following the Guild meeting, if you want them to run again. Thanks!)

Used tools, and building materials: On Jan 16th George and John went to the home of Billie King Hill, near Newport. Her husband recently passed away and left some woodworking tools, wood and building materials. She'd like to get rid of them and will entertain offers. Powermatic Model 66 table saw, Powermatic 6X48 jointer, Powermatic 12" planer, DeWalt 8" Radial arm saw, Sears compressor, approx 20 gal. Tank; Wood: 4 squares cedar shingles; Miscellaneous: Metal drafting table, 39 X 72 w/tilt top, 6 patio doors, 2-6 wide, 2 skylights 27 X 51 opening, 6 skylights 27 X 72 non-opening, 2 fiberglass cargo boxes. For more details, see or call John DuBay @ (503) 391-7890

Western Walnut Lumber: 4/4, 5/4, 8/4, excellent selection of color and figure, very reasonable prices Contact Jim McKee @ (541) 344-6320 or jamespmckee@msn.com

Paoloni P-150 Sliding Table Saw - Brand new 4HP single phase, 12" blade w scoring blade, 50" stroke, 50" rip fence, excellent saw guard/dust collection. Awesome saw for an incredible price. Paid \$6,000.00, sell for \$3,000.00. Bill at 971 237-9198. SECO 20" planer, 5 HP 3 phase, loads of power, used approximately 100 hours, very heavy duty. Paid \$3,500.00, sell for \$1,750.00. Bill at 971 237-9198.

Oregon Black Walnut, 1/4 through 24/4 –matched tabletops, figure lumber (over 300,000 B.F. inventory), veneer .040 (1mm) thick enough to sand, leaves up to 20" wide and 12 ft. long. Contact Goby Walnut Products at (541) 926-1079 or www.gobywalnut.com

WHAT'S HAPPENING (Classes, seminars, demos, and such)

Northwest Woodworking Studio 1104 NE 28th, Suite A230, Portland (503) 284-1644

<http://www.northwestwoodworking.com>

Gary Rogowski offers both lectures and one-on-one study. The Mastery Program is a 2-year program with fall entry only. Gary is taking applications now for fall 2004 for both the Local and Distance Mastery Program. Call or email Gary now for a prospectus or to be added to the Studio's mailing list.

Router Joinery: Precision with the Router

Saturday 12PM to 3PM

February 28, 2004

The router is versatility with a power cord attached. See how to use this adaptable tool for a variety of precise joinery applications. Learn about fixed base and plunge routers, topside and router table uses, buying routers as well

January 2004 Newsletter

With Gary Rogowski

Beginning to Intermediate levels

\$50.00

as bits, jigs, and accessories. Watch the router cut simple joints like dados and rabbets to more complex joints like dovetails and mortises and tenons. Learn how to cut ovals, use templates, and rout for inlay using simple shop-made jigs. Bring your hearing protection.

Valentine Boxes

Saturday and Sunday 9AM to 4PM
February 7 and 8, 2004

It's not quite the eleventh hour for Valentine's Day. So make a sweet little gift box in time for your sweetie. You will discover how to make a beautiful box with simple yet strong joinery. Learn router tips and get practice with hand planes, scrapers, and shaping tools. You will also try your hand at rice paper techniques and finishing with shellac.

With Gary Rogowski

Beginning to Intermediate levels
\$175.00 Plus materials

Making Brass Hand Planes

Saturday and Sunday 9AM to 4PM
February 21 and 22, 2004

You don't need a machine shop to create beautiful and functional small brass hand planes! Using simple hand tools, a propane torch, and a drill press you can make planes like the ones that are used in the musical instrument trade. Or you can design your own to adapt to your own special needs. You'll also learn the basics of hardening and tempering tool steel, as we make the blades for our planes. By the end of class, each student should have at least one finished plane to take home.

With Ken Altman

Beginning to Intermediate levels
\$175.00 Plus materials

Traditional Joinery: Dovetails

Two Wednesday evenings 5PM to 8PM
March 10 and 17, 2004

Dovetail joints are the symbol of traditional joinery and woodworking excellence. Learn to lay-out and cut hand made dovetails that will transform the look and strength of your work. Develop hand skills as you build a simple box project and learn to produce dovetail joints that are as strong as they are beautiful. Also learn options for routed dovetails. Bring your sharp saw, chisels, and hand plane or use our tools.

With Nate Currier

Beginning to Intermediate levels
\$95.00

Helping Hands: Benefit Workshop for Our House With all our Staff

Saturday and Sunday 9AM to 4PM
March 13 and 14, 2004

\$175.00: Make your tax deductible check out to Our House

All levels

Help out Our House, a residential AIDS care facility in Southeast Portland, while learning to build several small projects. We will make coat racks, small bookshelves, and paper towel holders all weekend long to donate to their facility. At the same time you're helping out Our House, you'll be learning more woodworking skills. Get practice with lay-out, template work, routing, shaping, and finishing. You'll also get to take one of these pieces home for your efforts.

5 and 10 WEEK CLASSES

Building by Hand: A Craftsman Style Table

5 weeks on Wednesday evenings 5PM to 8PM
Intermediate to Advanced levels

Hone your skills building a beautiful and practical piece. This side table needs careful lay-out and precise mortise and tenon construction as well as consistent shaping with router templates and spoke shave. Get practice with band saw jigs and finishing techniques as you learn to build with precision and detail.

With Gary Rogowski

Starting February 4, 2003
\$175.00 Plus materials.

Registration for Summer 2004

- Joinery Concentration: Carcase Joinery Gary Rogowski June 21-25 \$650.00 + materials
- Joinery Concentration: Frame Joinery Gary Rogowski June 28-July 2 \$650.00 + materials
\$1000 for the two week session \$650 for each
- Making a Cherry Tool Cabinet Nate Currier and Gary Rogowski July 5-9 \$650.00 + materials
- Build a Shaker Dropleaf Table Chris Becksvort July 12-16 \$650.00 + materials
- Woodworking for Teens Fred Edera July 19-23 \$175.00 + materials

- | | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| • The Art of Finishing | Teri Masaschi | July 26-30 | \$650.00 + materials |
| • Furniture Techniques | Craig Vandall Stevens | Aug. 2-6 | \$650.00 + materials |
| • Ladderback Chairmaking | Brian Boggs | Aug. 9-13 | \$650.00 + materials |
| • Workbench Construction | Gary Rogowski | Aug. 16-20 | \$650.00 + materials |
| • Letter and Sign Carving | Lee Johnson | Aug. 30-Sept. 3 | \$650.00 + materials |
| • Joinery Concentration | Gary Rogowski | Sept. 8-13 | \$650.00 + materials |

Rockler Woodworking 11773 SW Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway, Beaverton
(503) 672-7266 www.rockler.com

Demos and classes on a variety of subjects; call the store for details and see their **Free Saturday demos!**

Oregon College of Art and Craft 8245 SW Barnes Rd, Portland
(503) 297-5544 www.ocac.edu

Veneer and Inlay Basics; WD780 • Feb 21 & 22; Sat/Sun 9-4pm; \$130; Studio fee \$45

Have you ever considered creating your own veneered surfaces? What about inlays? In this intensive workshop, students explore the basics of both techniques. The class begins with traditional veneer preparation and processing using raw veneers. From the flitch state, students learn how to select, match and join visually interesting grain patterns as well as gluing techniques. Using the veneer panel produced on the first day, the class will then investigate embellishing their panels with simple inlay techniques. Time permitting, more intensive inlay ideas will be discussed and demonstrated. Register by Feb. 13. Prerequisite: WD802 or equivalent machine tools class.

Location: Wood Studio; Terry Bostwick, instructor

Woodcraft 12020 SW Main St., Tigard (503) 684-1428

Call store for details of class content, tools required, etc. or visit their web site at: <http://www.woodcraft.com>

Woodcrafters 212 NE 6th Ave., Portland (503) 231-0226

Free Saturday demos from 10am to 3pm by a variety of local and nationally known artisans. Call the store for details of upcoming classes.

GUILD OF OREGON WOODWORKERS
P.O. Box 13744 Portland, OR 97218

First Class Mail

The Guild of Oregon Woodworkers is proud to be sponsored by:

Barbo Machinery, Portland
Bridge City Tool Works, Portland
Crosscut Hardwoods, Portland
Dunthorp Joinery, Portland
Euro Assembly Systems, Forest Grove
Goby Walnut Products, Albany
Hardwood Industries, Tualatin
Lumber Products, Tualatin
Northwest Timber, Jefferson
Northwest Woodworking Studio, Portland
Oregon College of Art and Craft, Portland
Rockler Woodworking, Beaverton
Woodcraft, Tigard
Woodcrafters, Portland