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# Alabama Woodworkers Guild Guild News



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## Next Meeting

The next  
scheduled  
meeting is  
February 16th



**Reminder:  
Dues are  
now Due**

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## President's Message

We are continuing to get new members almost every month which is a very good thing. This is a sign of growth and is essential for any organization. Please make our visitors and new members welcome and offer any help you can give.

There are a number of classes to be offered this year for everyone no matter your skill level (see report and schedule on pages 6 & 7).

The 2013 directories have gone to the printer and may be available at the February meeting. Also the collage of pictures from the 2012 annual show should be available very soon.

As you well know, the guild dues were due the first of January. If you have not paid yours yet please do so as soon as possible. We have to have the dues to pay the bills.

By the time you get this newsletter the North Room should have been painted. We are working very hard to get this room ready so it can be set up to hold our monthly meetings. This will be very convenient because we can set up the chairs, the audio and video systems and leave them set up all the time.

Ron Powell has agreed to accept the position of Building Outside Maintenance Manager. When Ron ask for help to repair the rotting places on the outside of the building or any other outside work, please respond positively.

Remember the raffle for the Work Sharp! Get your tickets from Patrick Bush at the next meeting.

The old printer in the library bit the dust and Mike Key got us a nice new one. After you use the computer equipment in the library, please put the covers back on to keep the dust out. Also, it helps a great deal to keep the doors to the library closed for the same reason. Thanks for your help.

One last thing. I would ask that all of you keep member Tom Surtees and his family in your prayers as he goes through Chemo treatments for Cancer.

Cliff

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## January Meeting

This month John Lawson will be demonstrating how to get the best performance from a bandsaw. A well tuned and maintained tool makes all the difference. For those of us who rely on the WEC bandsaws, this is an excellent reminder of the adjustments we should be making every time we use the tool. Whether this serves you as an introduction or a refresher, you won't want to miss this program.

Cheryl

## Welcome New AWG Members!

The Alabama Woodworkers Guild would like to extend a warm welcome to our new members!

Connie Cowan, Ryan Crumley, Keith Thomley,  
Phil Morris, Glenn Crocker, Vlado Skibola,  
Dylan Crocker, Harry Dearing

**WELCOME!**

## Comfort Bucket

We appreciate your donations to the comfort bucket! The money raised there helps the Guild pay the bills at the WEC.



WEC FEBRUARY 2013-MARCH 2013 CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3[6] 1:00pm - 5:00pm Robertson	4 Feb	5 10:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys Shop is CLOSED except for Toy work.	6 6:30pm - 7:30pm AWG Board Meeting (J R Prewitt & Associates, 2146 Highland Avenue South)	7	8 9:00am - 1:00pm Lynn Smith - Supervisor 1:00pm - 5:00pm Lynn Smith - Supervisor 5:00pm - 9:00pm ... Mike Key	9 9:00am - 1:00pm ..Jeff Hood 1:00pm - 5:00pm .... Wayne Burriss
10[7] 1:00pm - 5:00pm .... Brian Stauss	11	12 10:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys Shop is CLOSED except for Toy work.	13	14	15 9:00am - 1:00pm Ron Powell-Supervisor 1:00pm - 5:00pm Randall Robertson 5:00pm - 9:00pm ... Mike Key	16 9:00am - 1:00pm Bob Moore..supervisor 9:30am - 10:00am Monthly pre-meeting (Woodworking Education Center) 10:00am - 11:30am Monthly Guild Meeting (Woodworking Education Center) 1:00pm - 5:00pm Bob Moore..supervisor
17[8] 1:00pm - 5:00pm .... Mike Key	18	19 10:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys Shop is CLOSED except for Toy work.	20	21	22 9:00am - 1:00pm Ron Powell-Supervisor 1:00pm - 5:00pm Bob Free 5:00pm - 9:00pm ... Pat Bush	23 9:00am - 1:00pm .... Wayne Burriss 1:00pm - 5:00pm ... Walter Barnett
24[9] 1:00pm - 5:00pm .... Brian Stauss	25	26 10:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys Shop is CLOSED except for Toy work.	27	28	1 Mar 9:00am - 1:00pm RON POWELL-SUPERVISOR 1:00pm - 5:00pm RON POWELL-SUPERVISOR 5:00pm - 9:00pm ... Mike Key	2 9:00am - 1:00pm .... no supervisor 1:00pm - 5:00pm .... no supervisor
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The most current WEC calendar is always available on-line at: <http://freecal.brownbears.com/awg>

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## Seminar Announcement

# ATTENTION!



KEEP THE DATE OPEN!

## CHRISTOPHER SCHWARZ

WILL PRESENT A SEMINAR ON [FEB 22-23, 2014](#)

AT THE ALABAMA WOODWORKERS GUILD  
CONTENT TO BE ANNOUNCED BUT WE WILL CONSIDER YOUR  
REQUESTS!

MAKE YOUR PLANS SOON SO YOU CAN BE  
INCLUDED!

## Mentoring

**NOTE:** You must be a member of the Guild to be eligible to participate mentoring classes.

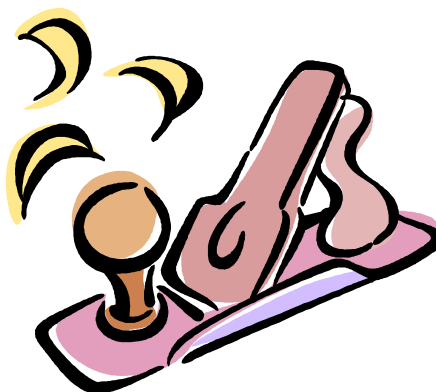
Are you an intermediate or beginner woodworker with an itch to raise your wood-working skills a notch or two? Do you have a special project in mind, but are just a bit uneasy about getting underway? Looking for tips to save time and effort, plus get better results?

Here's what you need to do: join a Guild mentored group now. It's the way to go for all of the above with others at your skill level, and best of all, at no cost except for materials.

**Refer to Shop Schedule for schedule of mentoring sessions**

### Some examples of topics offered:

Bench Making  
 Table Saw instruction  
 Lathe Fundamentals  
 Pen Turning  
 Hand Tools - sharpening and techniques  
 Furniture Building - Chairs, Table tops, Tables  
 Instruction in - Router table use  
 Instruction in - Jointer, Planer use  
 Dovetail jig making  
 Hand-cut Dovetails  
 Pocket Hole Jig Instruction



**If you have questions on woodworking technique, tool usage, or buying equipment or tools, feel free to contact a Guild mentor.**

John Lawson  
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 Lathe, furniture, table saw, hand-cut dovetails, bowl turning  
 Hand tool sharpening, table saw, joiner, planer  
 Lathe, segmented turning, baskets  
 Boxes, jointer  
 Cabinet construction  
 Scroll saw, jointer, band saw  
 Finishing and stringing  
 Toys  
 Jointer, planer  
 Draw knife, planes, hand tools, antique hand tools



Contact the above by email or phone as listed in the Membership Directory or email Ron Griffin at: [sawandsplinters@gmail.com](mailto:sawandsplinters@gmail.com)

## Woodworkers Education

### PROPOSED WOODWORKERS EDUCATION 2013

**In order to take advantage of the multiple talents of the current members of Alabama Woodworkers Guild, the following is proposed beginning in February 2013.**

**Each month, beginning in February 2013, a class will be scheduled in designated areas of expertise.**

The most important objective of the classes is to allow attendees to complete an item and have their actions monitored by instructors. This item completion will be connected with the annual library exhibition in October.

The classes will be conducted by current members of the guild who are proficient in the selected areas. The classes will be limited to 10-12 attendees in order to allow for "hands on" monitoring. Also, the minimum of attendees will be at least 4. The charge for each 3 hour class will be \$25.00 with a maximum charge of \$50.00 for those classes which exceed 3 hours, plus an estimate for materials, if necessary. These fees are payable at time of class sign up or before the first class.

The classes will be scheduled on Thursday evenings from 6:00-9:00pm and will not be limited to one evening if more time is needed. Maximum time allowed will be three evenings, if necessary.

Should a member complete an item in the class and enter it in the October exhibition, he (she) will be refunded half of the class fee paid. The items must be so identified during the entry procedure and should be marked as a product of in-house education.

Attendees must be familiar with the shop equipment and be approved by the instructor and/or a designated individual. A record of the approval should be instituted for safety reasons.

Classes should be scheduled at least three months in advance to allow for publication, advertising and conversation. The first class in February would be on the scroll saw with the first meeting focused on equipment (saws, blades) followed by a class on the construction of a "quick shop table or work area" and then possibly wood turning candlestick holders, etc. Finishing techniques could be another area for completed projects.

## Class Schedule

### CLASS SCHEDULE

<b>2/14</b>	Holiday	<b>7/18</b>	To Be Announced
<b>2/21</b>	Work Table	<b>7/25</b>	To Be Announced
<b>2/28</b>	To Be Announced	<b>8/1</b>	Pepper Mills
<b>3/7</b>	Scroll Saw ****	<b>8/8</b>	Cutting Boards
<b>3/14</b>	Work Table (continued)	<b>8/15</b>	To Be Announced
<b>3/21</b>	To Be Announced	<b>8/22</b>	To Be Announced
<b>3/28</b>	Scroll Saw (continued)	<b>8/29</b>	Pepper Mills (continued)
<b>4/4</b>	To Be Announced	<b>9/5</b>	To Be Announced
<b>4/11</b>	Scroll Saw (continued)	<b>9/12</b>	Cutting Boards (continued)
<b>4/18</b>	To Be Announced	<b>9/19</b>	To Be Announced
<b>4/25</b>	To Be Announced	<b>9/26</b>	To Be Announced
<b>5/2</b>	Candle Holders	<b>10/3</b>	Pepper Mills (continued)
<b>5/9</b>	To Be Announced	<b>10/10</b>	Cutting Boards (continued)
<b>5/16</b>	To Be Announced	<b>10/17</b>	To Be Announced
<b>5/23</b>	To Be Announced	<b>10/24</b>	To Be Announced
<b>5/30</b>	Holiday	<b>10/31</b>	Christmas Ornaments
<b>6/6</b>	Candle Holders (continued)	<b>11/7</b>	To Be Announced
<b>6/13</b>	To Be Announced	<b>11/14</b>	Cutting Boards (continued)
<b>6/20</b>	To Be Announced	<b>11/21</b>	Christmas Ornaments (continued)
<b>6/30</b>	Candle Holders (continued)	<b>11/28</b>	To Be Announced
<b>7/4</b>	Holiday	<b>12/5</b>	Christmas Ornaments (continued)
<b>7/11</b>	To Be Announced		

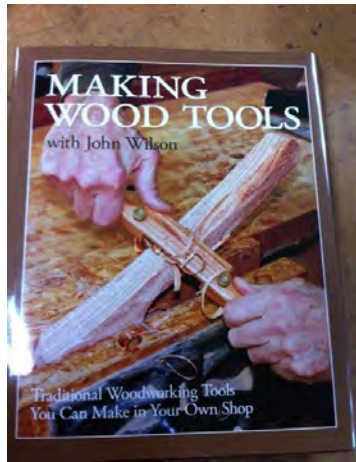
\*\*\*\* Scroll Saw Classes—The guild has only one scroll saw in use. Therefore, applicants for this class are requested to bring a scroll saw in order to participate

To Be Announced—These dates will be used for orientation classes on selected tools on a request basis. They may also be used for requests for items not listed on the schedule. To enroll, contact:

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# Photos from the January Meeting



A great book on making wood tools from Walter Barnett



Jewelry Box by Bill Newman



Binder Storage Box by Cheryl May



Buddy Finch shares his Scroll Sawn Item



Carved Santa Claus by Bob Moore



Guitar by Mike Key



Band Sawn Box by Eddie Heerten



Tray Stand by Patrick Bush

All photos by Monta King





Orphaned Mirror Frame by Art Chamblee



Intricate Toy Tractor by Ralph Hardwick



Collapsible Mallet by Dwight Hostetter



Colorful Bowl with Floating Ginkgo Leaf by Ron Griffin



Natural Edge Bowl by Cheryl May



Segmented Bowl by Ron Griffin

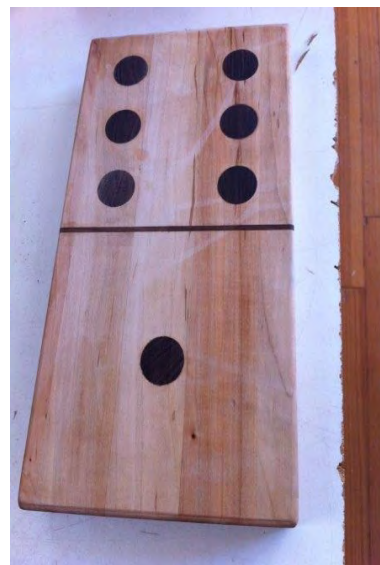
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Segmented Bowl by Dwight Hostetter



Segmented Bowl by Nevin Newton



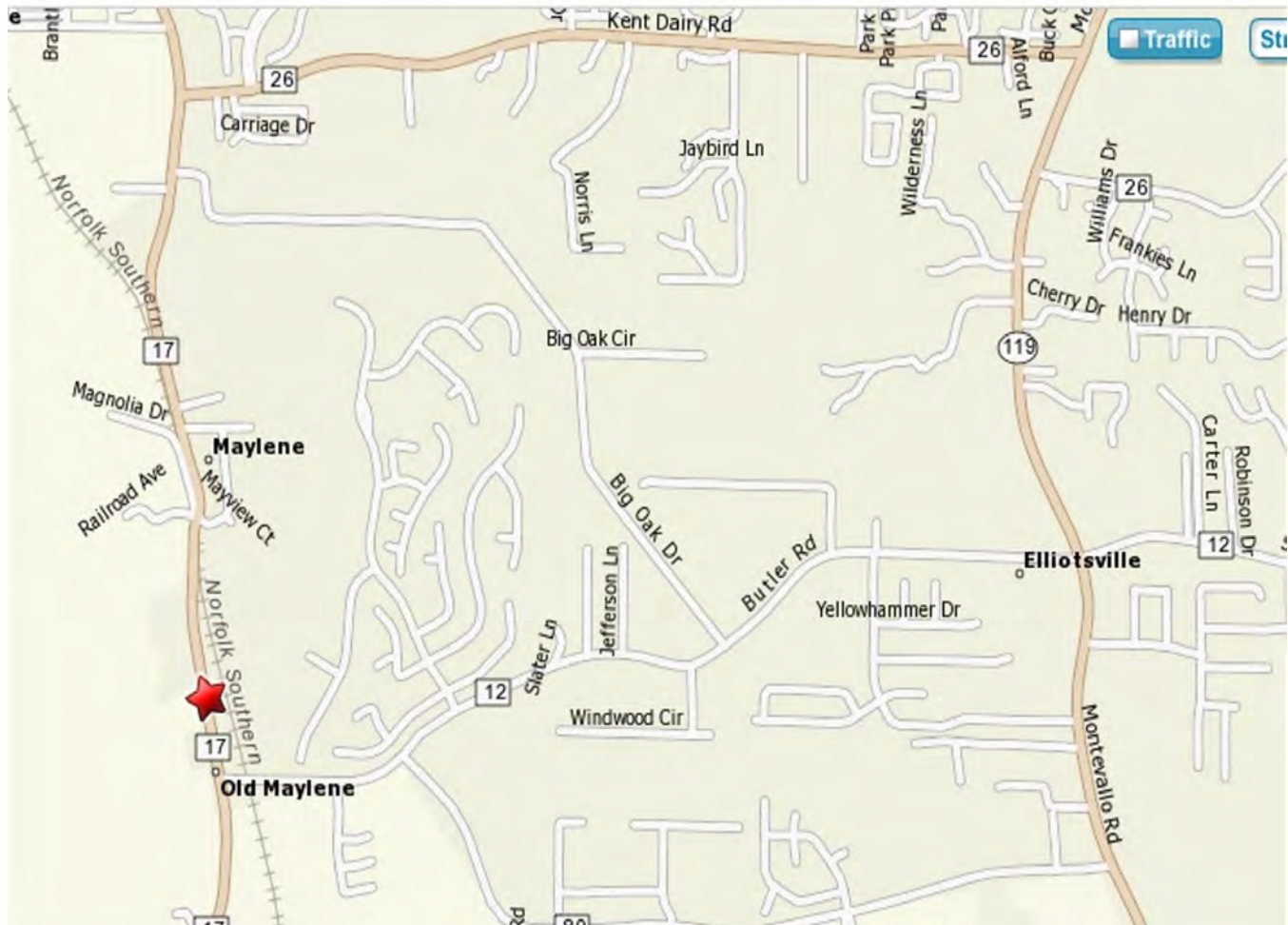
Cutting Board by Dwight Hostetter

## Work day at the WEC...preparing the north room

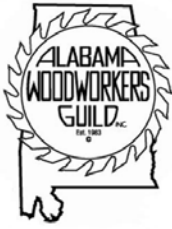


All photos by Monta King

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**From I-65**, take Exit 238 (Highway 31). Turn north on U.S. Highway 31, go 0.6 miles and turn left on State Highway 119 South. Go 3.0 miles south on Highway 119 and turn right on County Highway 12. Go 2.1 miles on Highway 12 until it ends at County Highway 17. Turn right on Highway 17 and the WEC is 0.3 miles on your left. There is a large WEC sign at the entrance.



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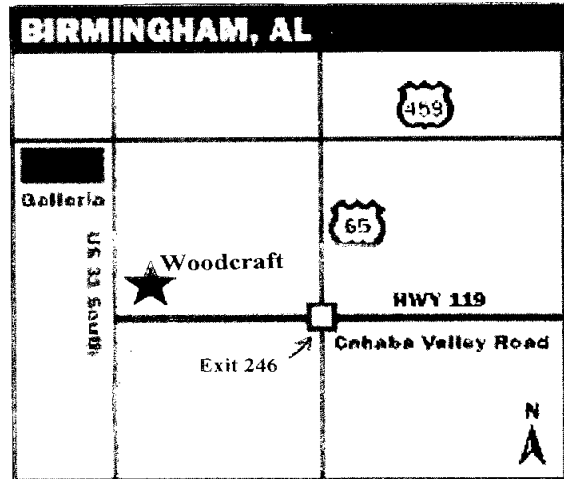
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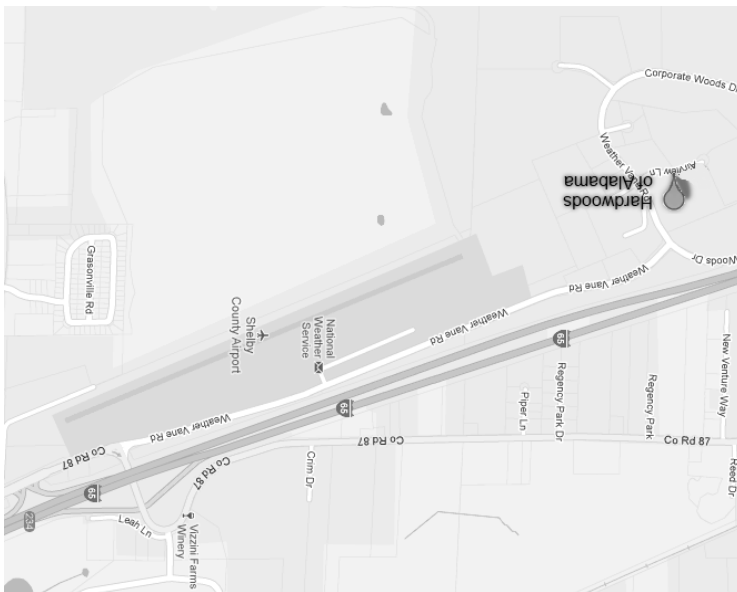
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