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# Alabama Woodworkers Guild Guild News



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## Next Meeting

The next  
scheduled  
meeting is  
July 20th

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## President's Message

Well we had two of our very talented members present a program last month on stringing. Nelda and Buzz Kelly did an outstanding program but that is what you always get from these two. Thanks you two for demonstrating your unique talent.

The following Saturday we had our 30<sup>th</sup> year celebration party, and what a party it was. Those of you that were unable to attend really missed the best gathering we have ever had. First I want to thank those members that came on the Friday before and cleaned up the WEC and put up all the decorations, next I want give a really big thanks to Preston Lawley and his wife Pat for all the planning and the work putting this together and making it such an outstanding event, also thanks for those who hung around and cleaned up and put the WEC back in working order. And of course I want to thank all of you that attended and brought your friends and family.

We have several classes scheduled for the rest of the year (see the guild calendar and Chris Mazur's article later in this newsletter.)

All the painting in the North room has been completed. The only thing left is refinishing the floor and we have scheduled a work day on August 3<sup>rd</sup> to do the sanding. Mike Key will probably have an article in more detail later in this newsletter.

At the last board meeting we decided to purchase a shipping container from a company in Newnan Ga. We have some work to do to make ready before we schedule it's delivery.

We have to start thinking about the cabinets for the Habitat for Humanity Christmas house (see article later in newsletter).

The **Annual Show** is quickly approaching so we all need to be working on our projects. Since the set up day for the show falls on the same day as our monthly meeting and several of members will miss the meeting, some may be late and others may leave early we will not serve lunch that day.

I hope you have noticed we now have another lathe (Delta Midi with an extension) and a One-Way chuck. These were donated by John Powell. He also donated a Delta scroll saw and some turning tools which we will sell later (probably at auction). Thanks to John for his generous donation.

After the success of the 30 year party it was suggested by several of the ladies working in the kitchen that we should have our Christmas party at the WEC. We discussed this at the last board meeting and agreed with them and decided to have it at the WEC on December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 pm.

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## July Meeting

If you were at the June meeting, you probably saw the Cowboy Hat Christmas ornaments that Dwight Hostetter presented in the 'Show and Tell' part of the program, but if you weren't there, don't despair. For this month's program, Dwight will be giving a demonstration showing how to make the Cowboy Hat ornaments. He says they're easier to make than pens and a whole lot cheaper. Perhaps one of the door prizes will be one of the hats?

## New Members

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

Christopher Peek, Michael Malinconico, and Mikey Hannon

**WELCOME!**

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WEC JULY 2013-AUGUST 2013 CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7   28   1:00pm - 5:00pm no supervisor Jul	8 10:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys Shop is CLOSED except for Toy work.	9 10:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys Shop is CLOSED except for Toy work.	10	11	12 9:00am - 1:00pm Lynn Smith - Supervisor 1:00pm - 5:00pm Lynn Smith - Supervisor 5:00pm - 9:00pm .... Mike Key	13 9:00am - 1:00pm .... Eddie Heerten 1:00pm - 5:00pm .... Eddie Heerten
14   29   1:00pm - 5:00pm .... Brian Stauss	15 10:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys Shop is CLOSED except for Toy work.	16 10:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys Shop is CLOSED except for Toy work.	17	18	19 9:00am - 1:00pm Randall Robertson 10:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys Shop is CLOSED except for Toy work. 1:00pm - 5:00pm Randall Robertson 5:00pm - 9:00pm paul shank	20 9:00am - 1:00pm .... Walt Barnett 9:30am - 10:00am Monthly pre-meeting (Woodworking Education Center) 10:00am - 11:30am Monthly Guild Meeting (Woodworking Education Center) 1:00pm - 5:00pm .... Walt Barnett
21   30   1:00pm - 5:00pm no supervisor	22 10:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys Shop is CLOSED except for Toy work.	23 10:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys Shop is CLOSED except for Toy work.	24	25	26 9:00am - 5:00pm Bob Moore 5:00pm - 9:00pm .... Mike Key	27 9:00am - 1:00pm .... no supervisor 1:00pm - 5:00pm .... no supervisor
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4   32   1:00pm - 5:00pm no supervisor	5 10:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys Shop is CLOSED except for Toy work.	6 10:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys Shop is CLOSED except for Toy work.	7 6:30pm - 7:30pm AWG Board Meeting (J.R. Prewitt & Associates, 2146 Highland Avenue South)	8 6:00pm - 9:00pm CUTTING BOARD CLASS PRESTON LAWLEY	9 9:00am - 1:00pm Lynn Smith - Supervisor 1:00pm - 5:00pm Lynn Smith - Supervisor 5:00pm - 9:00pm Randall Robertson	10 9:00am - 1:00pm .... no supervisor 1:00pm - 5:00pm .... no supervisor

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

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## Shop News

Just a reminder that the project rack is for projects that are in process, it is not for the long term storage of your lumber. If you have lumber stored in the project rack please take it home. The board has also decided that no logs are to be stored in the shop. There are some in the project rack that have beetles in them. If they are yours please take them home. If you do not want to take them home you can store them outside under a tarp.

Thanks  
Mike Key

## North Room Work Day

We will be sanding the floor in the north room on August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

We need all the help we can get—**NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED**. We'll start at 8:00am so come join the fun.

Thanks  
Mike Key

## Habitat Cabinet Class

### Would you like a class on building Cabinets?

Each year the Guild supplies a full set of cabinets to the Habitat for Humanity (H4H) Holiday House.

The decision to have a class rather than the Guild just building the cabinets is based on the number of individuals interested in the class. A poll will be taken during the July monthly meeting to determine the interest level. The cost of the class has been around \$80.00 and includes instruction on making face frames, cabinet boxes, dovetails, drawers, finishing and installation. More details will be available at the meeting.

## Mentoring

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

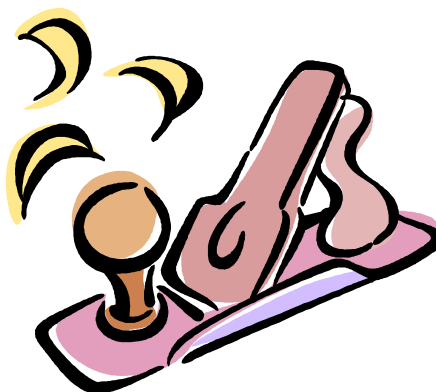
Are you an intermediate or beginner woodworker with an itch to raise your wood-working skills a notch or two? Do you have a special project in mind, but are just a bit uneasy about getting underway? Looking for tips to save time and effort, plus get better results?

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  
 Mike Key  
 Eddie Heerten

Bob Moore  
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 Cliff Daniels  
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 Hand tool sharpening, table saw, joiner, planer  
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 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)

## 30th Anniversary Celebration Recap

AWG 30th anniversary is celebrated at Guild June 22, 2013

President Cliff Daniels and Treasurer Walter Barnett greeted members and their guest at the door when they arrived to celebrate our 30th year. The former "old school house" was decorated in full "party mode" with tables and seating for 90 people. By 11:15 almost 60 folks had arrived and were enjoying the appetizers and cold drinks that were served at tables in the drill press area of the shop.



Over 16 members and spouses who had volunteered to greet, serve, cook, and entertain the folks were prepared for the task.

Games were being played in the back of the shop with Parents and Grand Parents competing with their kids. Shop talk walk was going on all over the place. It was hard to believe that we were partying in our grand old shop. By 12:10 over 100 people had arrived at the party and extra seats were provided so everyone could enjoy the events of the day.

At about 12:20 Cliff Daniels asked everyone to please be seated and welcomed everyone. Cliff gave brief history of the Guild and introduced several former Presidents and many of the original Founders. Preston Lawley went over the events of the day and gave directions on how lunch would be served and the games would be played. All guests were given tickets and numbers were drawn during the rest of the day and the selected prizes that members had made were given away. Every guest won at least one gift. Art Chamblee gave grace and lunch was served.



After lunch The Newly Wed game host Pat Bush introduced the three couples that would play the game they were Buzz and Nelda Kelly, Lloyd and Bonnie Harper, and Art and Peggy Chamblee.

After three rounds of questions by each person Art and Peggy were declared the winners and walked away with the grand prize: Dinner at the Cracker Barrel.

Pat Bush went from Game host to the Home Depot instructor for kids to build their own projects. The members all ran for the Dessert table which was loaded wonderful selection of homemade desserts made by several spouses.

## 30th Anniversary Celebration Recap



A new 50/50 game was introduced to the guild and Pat Bush sold almost \$400 worth of tickets.

Two lucky winners won almost \$ 200 and the Party was over at about 2:35 and the Guild was ready to begin another chapter of woodworking.

With a lot of help from several members and spouses the decorations came down and the shop was cleaned and back in working order by 4:00 pm.

Putting a party together of this size takes a lot of work by a host of people. I would like to thank everyone who helped to clean and decorate the shop and then clean up afterward.

Thanks to the people who greeted and served the food and ran the games.

A special thanks to the grill master Robbie Tyndal.

And most of all thanks to my wife Pat Lawley for everything that she did to make everything come together and start on time.

Preston Lawley



## Woodworkers Education

# LEARN TO TURN A PEPPER MILL

Pepper Mill Turning Class starts soon!

The first class will be held  
**August 1 from 6-9pm**

More info will be provided at this month's meeting



**CHRISTOPHER SCHWARZ** WILL CONDUCT A TWO DAY SEMINAR IN FEBRUARY 2014. DON'T BE LEFT OUT! MAKE YOUR RESERVATION SOON!

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## Annual Show

### 2013 Alabama Woodworker's Guild Annual Show

Where: Hoover Public Library – Lower Level

When: October 20-26 during normal library hours

Mon-Thu 9:00am – 9:00pm

Fri 9:00am – 6:00pm

Sat 10:00am – 6:00pm

Sun 2:00pm – 6:00pm

Note: Set up date is Saturday, October 19, 2013 10:00am – 4:00pm

Pick up date is Sunday, October 27, 2013 2:00pm – 6:00pm

A reception to honor the show participants will be on Monday, October 21 6:00pm - 8:00pm. Light refreshments will be provided.

Judging for ribbon awards will be on Monday, October 21 from 9:00am - 6:00pm

This is the 30 year anniversary for the guild and we hope to have numerous entries into the show. You've got 19 weeks left to prepare, finish, or make your items for display.

Items from past years and shows may be entered for judging provided they did not win any ribbons from previous AWG shows. Winning items from past shows may be exhibited for display only, if so desired.

The entries will be evaluated by an independent judge and ribbons will be awarded for First Place, Second Place, and Third Place, for the following categories and skill levels: (Note: items can be shown, but not included in the judging, if so desired by the individual exhibiting)

The categories for skill levels (Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced) are:

- Traditional Furniture

- Contemporary Furniture

- Wood Turnings

- Miscellaneous

There are also general categories which are not evaluated by skill level. They are:

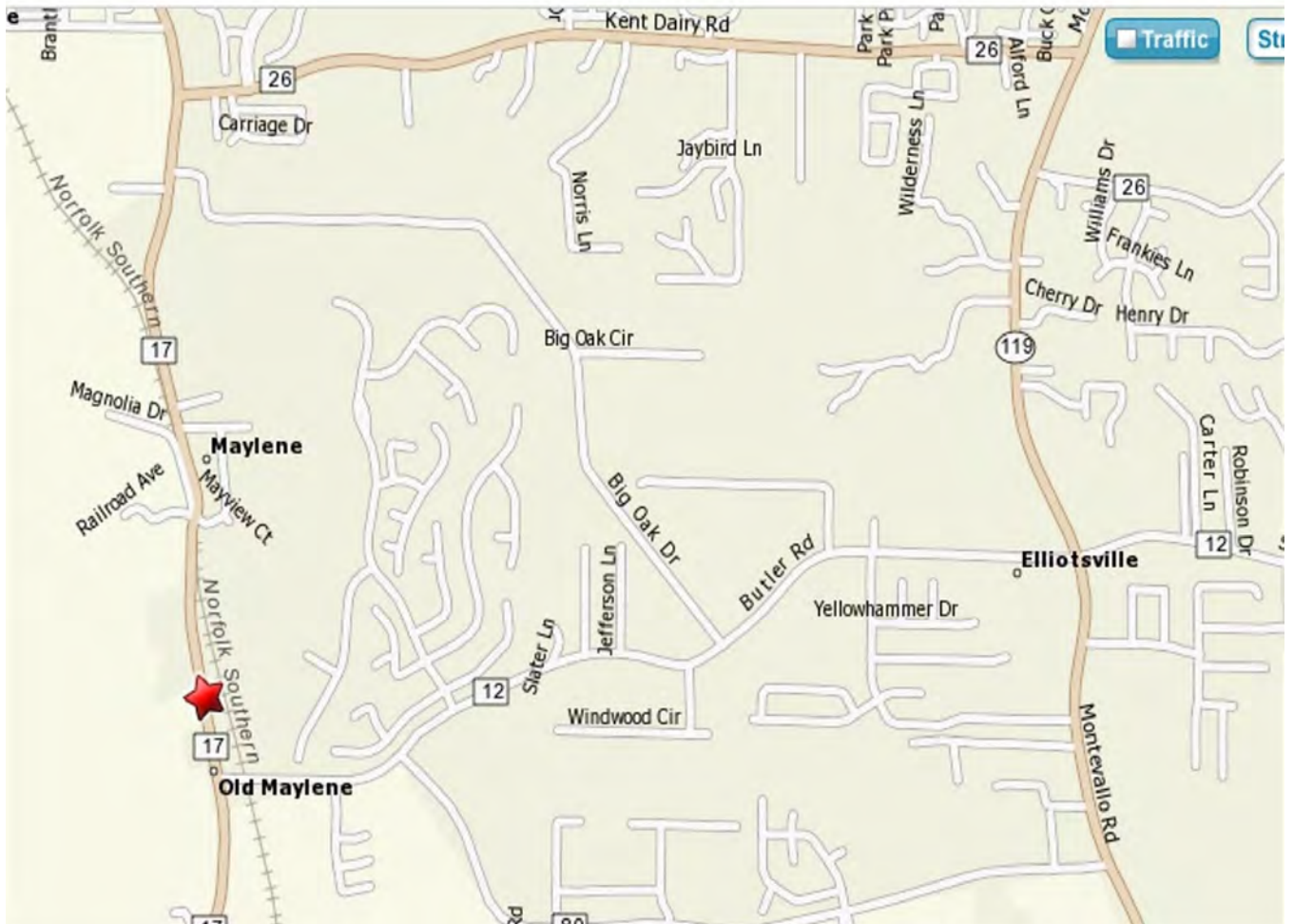
- Wood Carvings

- Shop Tools/Jigs

- Toys

Show forms, bookmarks, and reception invitation cards are being made up and will be available in the August/September time frame.

## Directions to the Woodworkers Education Center (WEC)



**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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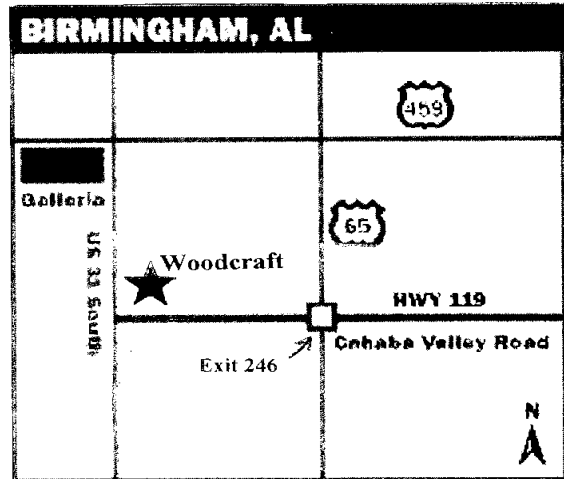
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