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PRESIDENT'S LETTER:

The October meeting was another in the long line of good programs and good attendance. The report on the show was well received, as well it should have been, since it was a huge success.

Where are you folks keeping those projects, large and small, that should be brought as Show and Tell exhibits? I was the only one to bring anything last meeting. I felt so all alone. Now, how about the rest of you bringing something in November. It is inspirational to examine other's work and good ideas for projects are generated from them.

Plans are being developed for a Christmas party. More about this in the November Newsletter.

There is more about Toys for Tots elsewhere in the Newsletter so please read it carefully.

A nominating committee has been appointed consisting of Ron Acton, Frank Jones and Ivan Kronberg. If you have suggestions

for nominees, please call one of these gentlemen.

Leonard

TOYS FOR TOTS

Nelson Brooks has "bird dogged" the city hunting a place to auction, or otherwise dispose of, our toys for the most money. As you know, the money is then turned over to the FOP who run the TFT program in Birmingham. He has landed a true gem - The Harbert Center in downtown Birmingham. This is a brand new, gorgeous lobby, luxurious, beautifully decorated and furnished meeting place for civic clubs. Bank, corporation and industrial presidents as well as high ranking business executives meet there. On December 1 and 2 we will display our toys in their lobby. Since we can't auction

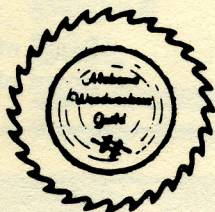
them, we will price them for sale - but for any large items which are worth a lot of money, a base price will be placed on them and sealed bids will be accepted for opening on the second day. Should no bids be received in excess of the base price, the item will not be sold and will be returned to the maker.

We are a little short of time, I realize, but get you some good wood (it doesn't cost but a very little more to go first class) and make pull toys, miniature cars and trucks, doll furniture and whatever else your fertile minds can conceive. In addition, this year, for the first time, you may include small gift type items such as jewelry boxes, bowls, candlesticks, band sown boxes, etc. Again, try to produce quality items - they sell quicker and for more money.

MEMBERSHIP

Coy Ellis is our membership chairman. Anyone desiring information about our guild, and/or registration forms may call him at 833-5101 or write to him at 429 East Ventura Drive Birmingham, AL 35235.

If you wish to send in your dues, Walter Barnett is treasurer, and can be reached at 823-5951 or 3409 Hanford Lane, Birmingham, AL 35226.



STUDY CLASSES

Ron Acton and Dr. Armstrong have been consulting with Mr. Alan Craig, of Bessemer State Technical College, about assisting in our classes this year. They have come up with a fine program, one that will certainly meet with your approval. There are two classes - Hobby and Commercial. The details are as follows:

HOBBY

Limited to 20 students (first 20 to pay the Guild member fee of \$45) and if any of the 20 fall out, a waiting list will be invoked. The classes will begin in November and run to May 1988. They will meet on each of the Thursday nights of each month (except Guild meeting night) and will be 3 hours long. Dr. Armstrong will be the instructor.

COMMERCIAL

This will be for experienced craftsmen. They will indicate the subjects, they are interested in, and instructors will be secured. Subjects like form building, stair construction, shaper craft, etc. The Assn. of General Contractors will supply some of the instructors. The cost for this course for Guild members is \$75 (\$95 for non-Guild), and classes will be held at Ronnie's each Tuesday night, November thru May.

Bessemer Tech. will administer the programs, and checks should be made payable to them. We appreciate Ron making his plant available for the classes again this year. Get your name in the pot promptly.

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Anita Skocik attempted an exercise in modesty in the October Newsletter. She can try all she wants to, but we know she has done a superb job in resurrecting our Newsletter which had fallen into a crevasse. It is a rewarding experience to edit the Newsletter, and, of course, a certain amount of notoriety comes with the job. The Guild members are so appreciative because they know everyone isn't an editor - just a few of you. It is those few of you we are calling on to step forward and take over this job. Anita is a tough act to follow, but give it a whirl by letting the Nominating Committee or Leonard know you would like to participate in this way.

OCTOBER PROGRAM

We are indebted to Mini-Max for sending Jack Harley over from Atlanta to demonstrate their equipment. Their tools are manufactured in Italy and are very popular in Europe. It was obvious the machinery is well made and has many innovations, especially the one that has a shaper, table saw, jointer, planer, horizontal drill and mortising, all working off one motor. Excellent for shop with limited space.

ANTIQUe TOOLS

We continue to be intrigued by the endless (fortunately for us) tool collection of Kerry McCalla. We appreciate him sharing them with us and his knowledge of their origin and uses. His measuring rules and devices were most interesting, proving once again our forefathers weren't dummies when, it came to figuring out ways to do things. Thanks again, Kerry

SHOW AND TELL

No matter how much you continue to ignore the S. and T. table we will continue to encourage you to bring something you've made for the rest of us to see. We get ideas for projects from each other. President Leonard was the only one who brought something last meeting, so don't let him feel all alone next meeting, bring something - whether it is a bread board or a sideboard - bring it.

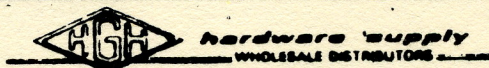
DOOR PRIZE

The door prize was won by J. M. Caldwell and he went home with a quart of NATCO DANISH OIL. If you want your name in the pot for the drawing you must "sign in" at the reception table.

NEXT PROGRAM

November 12, 1987

Have you looked at your kitchen cabinets lately? Has your wife said "Gee, I wish I had some new cabinets"? Well, you can learn how to renew, refurbish or make new doors for them from the master cabinet maker, Ron Acton. This is his thing. What he doesn't know about cabinet working can be put in a thimble. He will show you how to use moulding to renew the doors, or if you want to do it the hard way, completely remake the doors. He will show you how to extend a cabinet without it ever showing. You don't want to miss this program.



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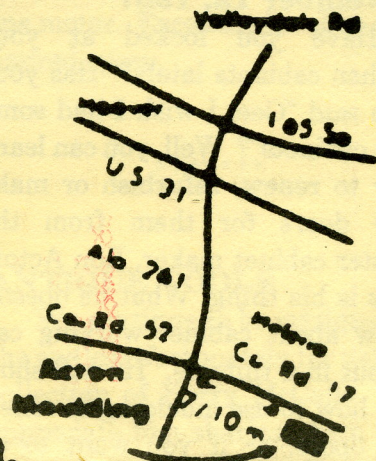
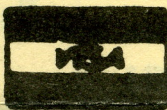
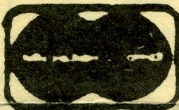
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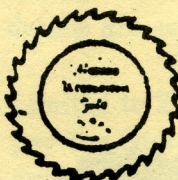
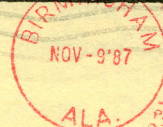
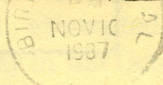
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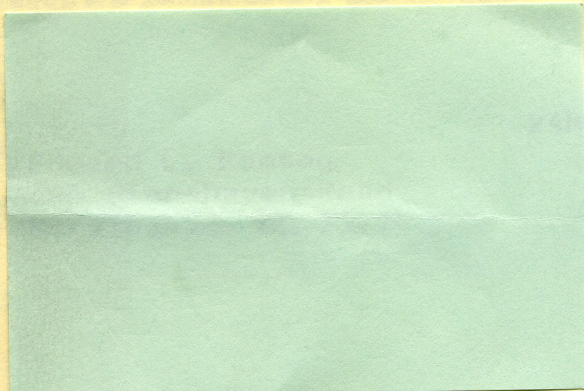
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