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**OFFICER'S MEETING • 6:15 PM • NOVEMBER 9TH • BEFORE REGULAR MEETING • PLEASE BE ON TIME!**

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

There is still time!! That is to make those Toys for Tots. Folks, we need your help — there's a lot of kids out there that won't be smiling December 25 without our help, and to reach our goal of 1000 toys we all have to be involved and I believe we can do it. If you can not bring your toys to Acton's or our Christmas Party, call me and we'll make arrangements to pick them up.

Our Christmas party is December 9th — you don't want to miss it. The food, fun and fellowship will be great. See you at the next meeting — bring a friend and bring those toys.

Nelson

**NEXT MEETING**  
**November 9th • 7:00 PM**

Ivan Kronberg, one of our premier woodworkers, will be leading a wood carving demonstration. Ivan and Jerry Vines are currently teaching our wood carving class and hopefully some of the people enrolled will bring some of their handiwork also. Ivan will bring some of his tools and finished work along. It's great to see the carving interest in our Guild.

### WOODWORKER OF THE YEAR

We will vote at the November meeting for Woodworker of the Year. Just think of someone who shares their knowledge, attends regularly, brings Show & Tell pieces, enters our Spring Show, makes Toys for Tots and vote for the person you feel has best represented our Guild in 1989.

### CHRISTMAS PARTY

One of the highlights of the year for our Guild is the Christmas party. For those of you who have joined since the last party we hope you will place a high priority on attending this lovely party. You will not regret it. It will be held on Saturday, December 9th, 6:30 pm, at the Helena United Methodist Church. The church is only a few blocks from Ronnie's. The format calls for each family to bring covered dishes (enough for your family) including salads and desserts. The Guild will furnish bread, coffee and tea. There will be baby sitting available if needed. Don't forget, also, the Toys for Tots prizes will be awarded at the party.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President Brooks appointed a nominating committee at the September meeting and the committee appreciates the several suggestions

made to them by the membership. Election will be held at the November meeting, at which nominations from the floor will be asked for. The following is the recommendation of the committee:

### FOR THE YEAR 1990

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### LAST MEETING (OCTOBER 12, 1989)

Our Guild is so fortunate to have so many talented members. When it happens we can't engage outside talent for our meetings, we can

## TOYS FOR TOTS

We stated previously we would discuss Ben Neighbor's program offering later in the newsletter. Well, here it is. Ben brought with him a Jacob's Ladder, a Hippo pull toy and a Crab pull toy. He let us know plans were available there at the meeting, just for the taking, to each of his toys, as well as several other toys. Ben reminded us this year's goal is 1,000 toys as compared with 600 last year. He expects we will exceed our goal again this year. He challenged us to visualize some child getting one of our toys on Christmas morning, and were it not for our having made that toy the child wouldn't have gotten anything for Christmas. A pretty grim picture, isn't it? The procedure is to make the toys, bring them to the November meeting (if possible) or bring them to the Christmas party on December 9th. It is preferred that they be finished in time for the November meeting but, if for some reason you can't, bring them to the party. Our advertisers have been very generous in the past, and we hope the trend will continue, in that they have supplied us with various tools to be awarded to the members in any way we deem fit. What we did last year, and will again this year, is award the prizes for Toys for Tots. The way it works is, your name goes in the pot once for each toy produced, so naturally the more times your name is in the pot the better chance to have it drawn. These are nice tools, too, nothing cheap about them. Even though we know you won't make the toys just to have a chance at the prizes, it is nice to have that little added attraction. Time is running out, however, so please get cracking and help Ben reach his goal of 1,000.

## DOOR PRIZES

We customarily have two door prizes, and this meeting was no exception. Of course, the purpose in asking you to sign the attendance roster is to have a record of attendance, but isn't it nice to have a bonus for having done so? The two drawn this month were Ben Landrum and James Johnson. They were treated to one of our new golf-style caps with the Guild logo on it. If you haven't seen them — the caps, T shirts and golf-style shirts, you should see them at the next meeting. They are all quality merchandise and the price is right, so get yours at the next meeting.

Alabama Woodworkers Guild Newsletter is published monthly for its members and other interested parties. Guild meetings are held monthly on the second Thursday at 7:00 P.M. at Acton Moulding & Supply Co. Information concerning the Guild may be secured by writing P.O. Box 506, Helena, AL 35080 or calling the Editor, Leonard Sanders, at 822-6876.

## TOOL SHOW

The Guild has enjoyed a fine relationship with Birmingham Saw for all the years of our existence. You should notice the postage on our newsletter is provided by them, and we appreciate it very much. We are glad, therefore, to advise you that all day on December 8th (Friday) and a half day on December 9th (Saturday), Birmingham Saw will have a sale on home-size power tools. These will include stationary and portable and include many well known manufacturers. If you have been contemplating a new table or radial-arm saw or any other stationary tool, now is your chance to save some money. In addition there will be portable drills, saws, etc. So, have a go at it.

## NEW MEMBER

We were pleased to introduce a new member last meeting. Leigh Ann Brooks was present, and we welcome her to the fold.



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