

Alabama Woodworkers Guild

Guild News



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Next Meeting

10544 Hwy 17, Maylene, AL 35114

The next scheduled meeting is September 17

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President's Message

Dear Guild Members,

During a Stickley Bookcase group build session, I was talking to one of the members about what he was going to do with his finished bookcase. He guessed that he would probably give it to one of his children, so I said don't forget to sign and date the piece. He asked why.

Here is what brought this to mind. I have some pieces of furniture that my dad made in the late 50's or early 60's. I wish he would have signed and dated them so I would know for sure. I remember him making these pieces and I know that it was after 1958 because that is when we moved into our new house, but I can't remember how soon after. That's important to me, but I have a general idea when they were made. After I'm gone that information will be lost. Then it just becomes someone trying to remember what I said about great-grandpa or great-great-grandpa's pieces that were passed down from generation to generation.

We all hope that the furniture, bowls, or boxes that we make will have a special meaning to someone and become family heirlooms. So let's let the future generations know who made them and that we were proud to pass them on.

Don't forget to Sign your Work,

Ray

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September Meeting: Charlie Ard

Charlie Ard, a past president of the Guild and a very accomplished craftsman, will present this months program. He is going to show us how to make a pencil post bed.

See you at the meeting!

Art

Scroll Saw SIG

The new Scroll Saw Special Interest Group got off to a good start at our first meeting last month. We had 10 people attend. Three brought their saws so we had 6 saws for all to use. In the classroom we discussed the mechanics and attributes of the two types of modern power scroll saws. We shared patterns from the computer, magazines and prints. We discussed blades and resources for teaching. Then we moved to the shop where we all watched a demonstration of thickness cutting on the big bandsaw. We discussed sources for pro-

ject wood and the availability of Baltic birch plywood for projects.

Next we moved to the saws. We learned to orient and install scrollreverse blades in the different saws. We learned how to square the table to the blade. We learned how to attach a pattern to our selected project wood and then we all cut a pattern for a bowl. When all were finished, everyone had cut a rough bowl from a pattern. We cleaned up and discussed direction for the group.

NEXT MEETING: We will meet on the first Monday after the AWG monthly meeting. That will be September 19th at 6pm. The meeting will last until 9pm. Everyone needs to bring a scroll saw, patterns, thickness cut wood, painters tape, spray adhesive and their favorite blades. We will have a time for show-and-tell to display the projects that have been on our tables. We will discuss ornaments and simple cuts. Everyone is invited. This is a free, open group for all skill levels. It is a good opportunity for new guild members to get directly into woodworking at a basic level. Experienced members will share work and techniques. People new to scroll sawing can learn the basics. The guild has 3 scroll saws in the shop.

Article by Steve Stutts

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Toys for the YWCA

Our wonderful Toy Group donated some toys to the Central Alabama YWCA recently. They received an email from Mary Jane Gibson, Coordinator of Career & Volunteer Programs at the YWCA, that included some kind words and fantastic photos of some very excited youngsters:

> We received your first donation on Wednesday afternoon, and I snapped the attached pictures on Thursday—they are already being enjoyed! I wish I could send a video of the actions & sounds these cars and planes were making—the kids ABSOLUTELY LOVED THEM. While I cannot take pictures of all of our children, due to the nature of our work, I did want to share these of a couple of kids that have photo releases. Please share them with your group along with my warmest thanks. These items will be cherished, I can promise you that!



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Mentoring

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

Are you an intermediate or beginner woodworker with an itch to raise your woodworking 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.



Guitars
Bows
Furniture repair, band saw, track saw
Dovetail jig
Hand tool sharpening, table saw, joiner, planer
Lathe, segmented turning, baskets
Cabinet construction
Scroll saw, jointer, band saw
Finishing and stringing
Toys
Jointer, planer
Draw knife, planes, hand tools, antique hand tools
Cutting Boards
Scroll Saw
Cabinetry, CAD and Joinery
Project Photography

Contact the above by email or phone as listed in the Membership Directory.

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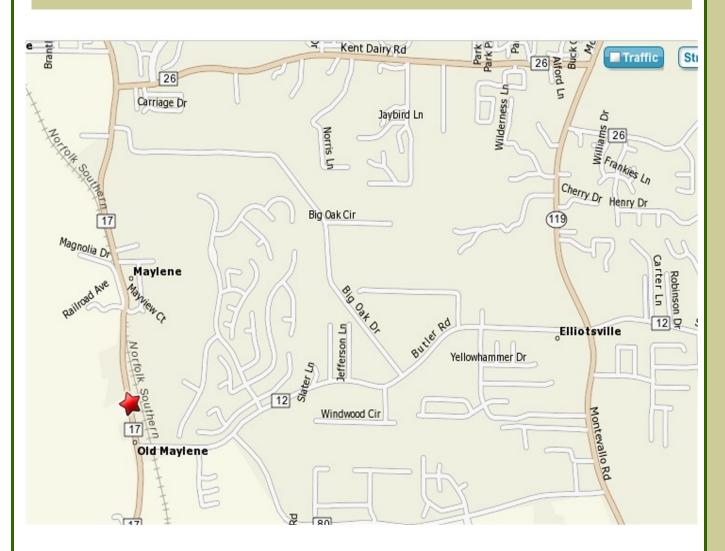
Don't Forget the Annual Show!

Now's the time to get started on your entry for our Annual Show this December. It's a great opportunity to display your work and help drive interest in the Guild.



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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. Page 7

