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Alabama Woodworkers Guild

# Guild News



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## Next Meeting

The next  
scheduled  
meeting

is

**MAY 19**

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## President's Message

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(Don Wilson)

I sure hope you can come to the Guild's "WEC 10th Year Anniversary" at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 19. It will be a great event honoring 20 past and current members who had the vision, the courage and the fortitude to make the Woodworking Education Center a reality.

We will also recognize Charles Moore, President of Habitat for Humanity and also mayor of Irondale, as he was so gracious 10 years ago to provide us rent free the Woodworking Education Center. There will be food, music and much more. The family is invited. It will be a great time!

Because of this celebration, the Woodworking Education Center will be closed to woodworking on Friday, May 18 from 5-9 p.m. so the Guild can be set up for the event and also all day Saturday, May 19 so we can have the event and cleanup afterwards. We would greatly appreciate any volunteers for about an hour to help us clean up after the event, which should end around 1 p.m.

The "Sketch Up Class" will not meet nor will there be a mentoring class on Saturday, May 19.

2018 Directories are here! They are stored in a box under the "Sign In" ledger at the front door. Please take one. For new members who joined after February of this year, we will have an updated supplement in October.

So excited about our 2018 Classes! All classes in 2018 have been well attended. We have 3 classes coming up before our June General Meeting. To register for these classes and to see all of our classes, go to our website <http://wp.awwg.info> and then click classes on our menu and scroll down to see all the offerings! Payment must be no later than one week before the date of the class.

To get all the information we put out to you, please join our Facebook page, visit our website often and make sure we have your correct email address and phone number so we can communicate to you the wonderful opportunities the guild will provide to you in 2018!

May God Bless You All!  
Don

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## SPECIAL NOTICE

### New Educational Class Signup/Payment Policy

Due to the popularity of our classes, the Board has changed the sign up and payment requirements so others on our educational class waiting lists can have significant notification to participate if for some reason someone has to drop out of a class before it begins. The new policy requires that all classes are first come/first served as long as they pay for the class one week before the class begins! If payment is not received before one week of the class then that spot is forfeited and members on waiting list will be contacted to fill the class.

In the past, the unwritten policy was that payment could be made when you attended the first class. This created unfilled classes as it is only natural that factors beyond members control such as sickness, last minute scheduling conflicts and other issues sometimes happen that makes it impossible to attend. However, without notification or the time to give adequate notification, this created unfilled classes at the last minute and did not give us or the instructor time to reach out to those on the waiting list for the class. This is unfair to the instructor who had prepared and many times has to prepare materials for their classes. It is also unfair to other members who would have liked to take the class but could not receive notification in time.

The Board believes this is a policy that is fair for all members and that is our #1 priority when making policy decisions. Thank you for your understanding!

Don

# WEC MAY CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
		9a-2p Shop Closed, Toy Group Only	AWG Board Meeting	4:30p - 8:00p Shop Closed, Hand Tool Workshop Only	9a-1p Patrick Murphy Supervisor, 205.585.5677 1p-5p Patrick Murphy, Shop Supervisor, Contact: 205.585.5677 5p-9p Randall Baylis 901-3764	9a-4p Router Table Class 1 9a-1p Jeff Hood Scheduled 1p-5p Jeff Hood Scheduled
		8	9	10	11	12
		9a-2p Shop Open to Toy Group Only		4:30p - 8:00p Shop Closed, Hand Tool Workshop Only	5p-9p Supervisor Scheduled Kenneth Graham 9am - 1pm; Lynn Smith, Shop Supervisor, Contact 413-2747 1pm - 5pm; Lynn Smith, Shop Supervisor, Contact 413-2747	Table Saw Crosscut Sled Class 9a-1p Henry Hager Scheduled 1p-5p No Supervisor Scheduled
		7				
		1p-5p Shop Closed, Guitar Build Class 5p-9p Shop Closed, Luthier Group Only				
		6				
		9a-4p Router Table Class 2 Eddie Heerten				
		14	16	17	18	19
		1p-5p Shop Closed, Guitar Build Class 5p-9p Shop Closed, Luthier Group Only		4:30p - 8:00p Shop Closed, Hand Tool Workshop Only	9a-1p David Robinson 205-478-4435 1p-5p David Robinson 205-478-4435 5p-9p Shop Closed	8a-10a Celebration Setup - Celebration Committee 10a-1p WEC 10 Year Anniversary Celebration 1p-5p Shop Closed, Celebration Takedown and Cleanup
		13	15			
		1p-5p No Supervisor Scheduled 1p-5p Brian Stauss 205-335-7241				
		21	23	24	25	26
		1p-5p Shop Closed, Guitar Build Class 5p-9p Shop Closed, Luthier Group Only		4:30p - 8:00p Shop Closed, Hand Tool Workshop Only	9a-1p R Hardwick, Supervisor 1p-5p R Hardwick, Supervisor 5p-9p No Supervisor Scheduled	9a-1p No Supervisor Scheduled 1p-5p No Supervisor Scheduled
		20	22			
		9a-2p Shop Open to Toy Group Only				
		28	30	31		
		1p-5p Shop Closed, Guitar Build Class 5p-9p Shop Closed, Luthier Group Only		4:30p - 8:00p Shop Closed, Hand Tool Workshop Only		
		27	29			
		No Supervisor Scheduled				

The most current WEC calendar is always available on-line at: <http://wp.wwg.info/calendar/>

No Sketch Up Class this Month

Due to "WEC 10th Anniversary Celebration". Class will resume in June at 8:00 a.m. before our June General Meeting.

There is no General meeting due to the ANNIVERSARY Event. Please enjoy the CELEBRATION.....

WEC CLOSED FRIDAY MAY 18WEC WILL BE CLOSED

For woodworking only from 5-9 p.m. on Friday, May 18 for set up for the WEC 10th Year Anniversary Celebration and all day on Saturday, May 19 due to WEC Celebration Event and cleanup afterwards.

We could use any volunteers to help with set up at 5-9 p.m. on Friday or for take down for an hour after 12:30 p.m. Saturday afternoon.

If you can help, please show up and thanks!

## SHOP NOTES

### Shop News:

As a supervisor AND shop manager...I sometimes find myself lamenting my chance to use the shop for myself...always busy fixing or repairing or replacing or moving or installing. You get the idea. Well having just wrapped up the router table class...I as an instructor and member can REALLY appreciate this gift (the WEC) that keeps on giving. We really went after sleds, and fences and jigs and drill bits (of all kinds) and pencils and specialty hammers, measuring aids and when combined with the room to get deep into the project without wanting for most anything - the results can be fulfilling. Special thanks to my top notch teaching partner David Robinson - spot on brother! Richard Strahan, Jim Keith and David Lewis all came away appreciating the shops value in our midst...they gave a great shout out.

Update on the ChopSaw / DownDraft Table project? The design is complete, the table saw station is done (complete with automatic/dedicated shop vac!). The downdraft table is complete minus a fan swap out. The fans I bought were not enough (heavily suspicious from the get go on that one myself), but new MUCH stronger fans are on the way. AND we installed three new small port vacuum stations at the new downdraft table. The combo of dust collection AND downdraft should go a long way to helping with fine particulate dust (made in large quantities by small sanders as we all know).

Lastly. a shop need. Not a big one, but an essential one. Fasteners...wood screws to be specific. How about you grab a small box (you know the \$1.18 bags or plastic boxes, we all hate that crappy box...) of wood screws for the shop. If you grab more than one...grab all one size. If 10 people do this...it will make an impact. Put them in the library on top of the shop manager tool box. Or give them directly to any supervisor...they will put them on the toolbox for you.

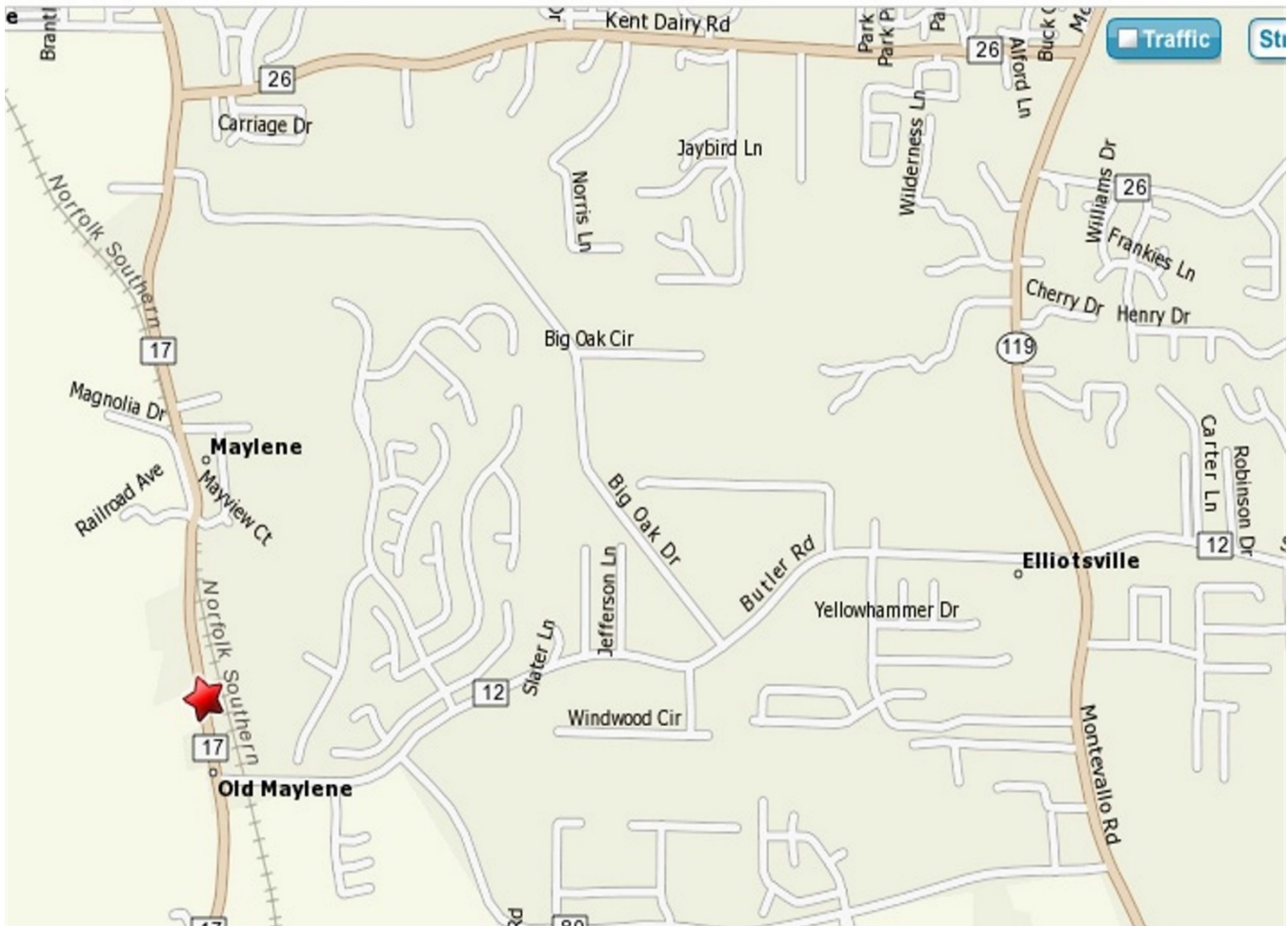
Extra lastly...the shop is closed Friday night May 18th and all Saturday May 19th for the 10-year celebration!!!

EXTRA EXTRA LASTLY...special shout out to the Thursday Night Hand Tool Group. they are always helping me out...in a BIG way.

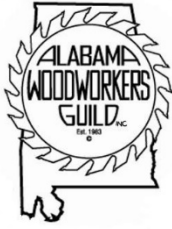
Thanks and Dust to You...



## 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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### About Us

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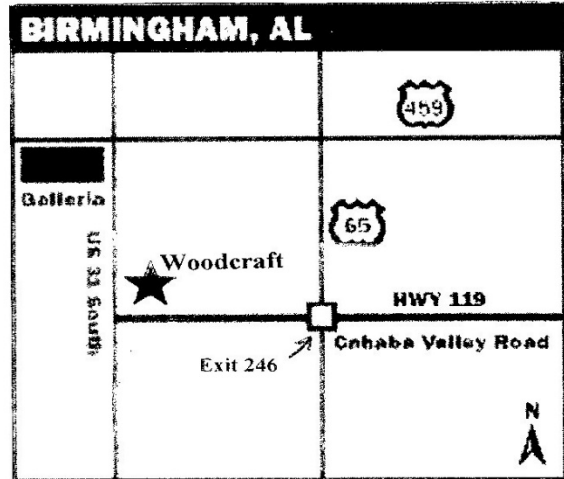
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Turn right on US 31 and travel north approx. 0.3 mi.  
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