GUILD NEWS



Alabama

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"A man who works with his hands is a laborer; a man who works with his hands and his brain is a craftsman; but a man who works with his hands and his brain and his heart is an artist."~Louis Nizer (1902–1994)

President's Message

Dear Fellow Guild Members,

Guild Newsletter

Guild members have an opportunity that I don't think many are aware of. The Alabama Woodworkers Guild has a scholarship program. To be eligible to receive a scholarship the member must have been an active member of the Guild for twelve months and have renewed his or her member- ship for their second year.

Guild sponsored seminars are not eligible for these scholarships.

Awards will be considered for any course related to improving one's woodworking skills and offered by a recognized organization or individual involved in promoting woodworking.

Members may apply for a scholarship equal to 50% of the tuition cost of the course, not to exceed \$200.

A member may not receive more than one scholarship during a 12-month period.

The scholarship will be paid to the recipient upon completion of the course and presentation of a paid receipt from the teaching organization.

Management

Applications are to be submitted to the Education Director.

The Education Director will be responsible to receive scholarship applications for presentation to the BOD, keep records as needed, and request the Treasurer to issue payments as approved by the BOD.

Applicants may apply for a scholarship 60 days prior to the start date of the class. Once approved, the funds will be held for the applicant for 60 days. If the applicant does not attend the class within 60 days of approval, the funds will be released.

Applications must be submitted to the Education Director no later than six weeks after the start of the course.

Obligations

The recipient is obligated to write an article for the newsletter describing and critiquing the course. And, as a supplement to our meetings, they are obligated to instruct the Guild in the learned skills at a pre-meeting or regular meeting program.

The program hasn't been taken advantage of for the past few years. Hopefully with this information we will get more members participating. Anyone wishing more information about the program or an application, please contact the Education Director.

Thank you,

Ray

Toy Group

Toy Group is Newsworthy

Toy Group was honored to be invited to Children's Hospital to participate in WBRC's "Doing Good" series of stories. On Thursday June, 6th Al Coltrane and Linda Simcik were interviewed by Janet Hall. The focus of the story was on the Bell helicopter we make exclusively for the Children's Hospital Care Flight Team. These replicas are given to children that were transported by Care Flight. Jason Peterson, the critical care transport director, talked about how the kid's faces light up when given the memento. We were also able to promote the guild and the toy group.





We are not sure when the story will air, however Janet Hall will send a link to the video to post on our website and facebook page.

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Amazon Smiles on AWG

Who doesn't shop on Amazon? I know I do <u>a lot</u>. But did you know that when you shop on Amazon you can also support the AWG? By accessing Amazon through **Amazon Smiles** and selecting AWG as your designated charity, Amazon will donate 0.5% of your <u>total purchase</u> back to the guild. It's an easy and effortless way of supporting us while you shop.

So please, the next time you shop on Amazon, please go through the Amazon Smiles site. You can get there by going to amazonsmiles.com or you can go to our website and click on the bright yellow button on the home page. May Guild Meeting: Saturday, June 15 2019

8am-Noon

8:00am-9:00am Sketch Up Class :

9:00am –10:00pm Mentoring/Show & Tell

10am—12noon General Meeting

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This month our own David Erikson will show us the art of Kumiko.

Kumiko is a Japanese technique that uses no nails or hardware, just precise joints, to keep furniture and even buildings together. This technique is also used to create intricate, wooden, functional artwork.

To see an example of David's work, check out the insert on the new exterior door next to the classroom.

If you have an interest is seeing a program on a specific topic, drop me a note. Van.phillips@alabamawoodworkersguild.org

Program Notes

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H4H Cabinet Build Class begins in August.

This class is a great way to learn a lot of different wood working skills. The end product is a complete set of kitchen and bath cabinets for one of the Habitat for Humanity December "Home for the Holidays" houses.

Upcoming Classes

Please check the website for exact dates and registration.



May Meeting Recap

If you missed this meeting, you missed a good one. City Hardwood graciously invited our group to meet at their beautiful location near Red Mountain Park.

In addition to coffee, doughnuts and grilled hot dogs for lunch, there was a great program.

Tom Monahan from General Finishes gave a very informative and educational talk on his products. A lot of us came away with some knowledge and ideas on finishing our projects to make them really stand out.

Damaged beams under to shop have been fixed.

A new roll up door will be installed @ the loading dock on Thursday.



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Saturday 9am-5pm

Sunday 1pm-5pm

Note: These hours are subject to change. Please visit the guild calendar on the website to confirm. **If calendar** has no supervisor scheduled then the shop is <u>closed</u>.



We meet at our Woodworking Education Center on the 3rd Saturday of each month at <u>9:00AM.</u> Our members share woodworking tips, bring projects to show and tell, hear guest speakers, and see live woodworking demonstrations at every meeting. Our free library contains books on techniques, videos, and project plans.

Woodworking Education Center (WEC)

The Guild's Woodworking Education Center is located at the site of the old Maylene School building on Hwy 17 in Maylene, AL.

Community Involvement



In Addition to monthly meetings the Guild also has a group of dedicated woodworkers who meet at the WEC to make toys and various wooden therapeutic devices for Children's Hospital and other deserving organizations.



The guild also constructs kitchen and bathroom cabinets each year for Habitat for Humanity



Promoting the Art and Craft of Fine Woodworking

The Annual Show

The Alabama Woodworkers Guild Annual Show is a judged show, generally held in October of each year at the Hoover Public Library. Members enter projects they have worked on all year and make

Alabama Woodworkers Guild

10544 Highway 17

Maylene, AL 35114



Easy to find and plenty of free parking.

From I-65, take Exit 238 (Highway 31). Turn north on 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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