

GUILD NEWS

Alabama

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President's Message

It's hard to believe that 2019 is coming to an end already! It has been a very busy year. With the changing of the calendar, there will also be some changes to our leadership. Below is the slate of officers for 2020. They will be voted on at the next membership meeting.

2020 Slate of Officers and Directors

President - Van Phillips
 VP - Henry Raymond
 Secretary - Jeff Branch
 Treasurer - Jay Carrigee
 Past President - Ray Ziegler

Members at Large:

Sandra McMillan 1/2020 – 12/2021
 Patrick Murphy 1/2020 – 12/2022
 Matt Sullivan 1/2020 – 12/2022
 Bob Baumgartner 1/2020 – 12/2022

Please take a moment to thank current and future officers and directors for giving of their time and talents. Their guidance and leadership is important for a successful guild.



“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)



Toy Group

The Toy Group will be **wrapping up 2019 production on November 19th.** We had a great year producing over 12,000 toys. This could not happen without the many dedicated volunteers that meet every Tuesday. We work hard, but have a lot of fun too. In addition to the charities we have serviced in the past, we have picked up a couple of new ones. The Vanderbilt Children’s hospital in Nashville and Manna Ministries, right here at home in Alabaster. We look forward to serving these organizations for many years to come.

We will resume on Tuesday, January 7, 2020



“Happy Toy Day”

Alabama Woodworkers Guild Wood Art Group



AWG Announces the new Wood Art special interest group.

This group is open to all the women members of the AWG. Ladies, if you are not a “member” remember that your husband’s membership includes you as well! We will get together once a week to learn, network, share ideas & skills as well as work on individual projects.

Our first meeting was Friday, November 1st. This week’s project is a wood-burning demo. Each attendee created a Christmas Ornament. Everyone had a fun time and got to know other ladies in the guild.

The group meets on Fridays from 10:00am—2:00pm. If you are interested in joining or want more information you can contact Terri Hjetland @ 270.705.7661 or feel free to stop by to visit on Friday.



Ladies can be woodworkers too!

November Guild Meeting Saturday November 16, 2019

No Sketch Up Class

9:00am—10:00am: Mentoring Session

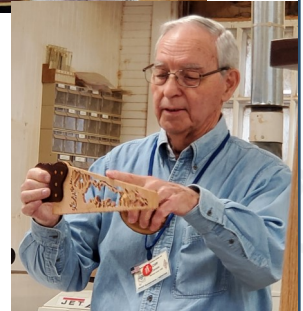
- * Networking,
- * Show & tell

* 10am—12noon General Meeting:

This month's program: There will be a demonstration of bowl making by Slade McCory. Slade is a young man that is a 4-H 1st place winner in wood working

October Meeting Recap

October's meeting highlighted some of the first place winners from the recent art show. Not all first place winners were not present, but here are some of the highlights.



Upcoming Classes

No classes are scheduled for the rest of 2019 at this time. Please check the website for any updates/additions

If you have an idea for a class or would like to teach a class please contact Ray Ziegler

Shop Notes

October Shop Activity

Total number of visits: 369

Toy Group: 108 visits

Supervisor: 14 visits

Woodworking: 51 visits

Classes & other activities: 196 visits

Total number of hours worked:1328

Toy Group: 470.5 hours

Supervisor: 79 hours

Woodworking: 107.7

Classes & other activities: 671.5

This information taken from the monthly report supplied by the shop managers.

Regular Shop Hours:

Friday 9am-9pm

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 closed.**



Christmas Party

You Are Invited

When: Thursday, December 12, 2019

Where: Riverchase Room

Riverchase United Methodist Church

Time: 6:00pm—9:00pm Dinner will be served at 6:30pm

Meat and beverages will be provided by the Guild. We ask that each member bring a side dish or desert to share.

We will also have a gift exchange. Everyone that brings a gift will receive a gift. Something related to woodworking, preferably one of your own pieces of art such as a bowl, pen, ornament, or box. If you can't craft an item, consider a gift certificate, or wood working tool, any related item is welcomed.

The party is open to all members and spouses.





The Toy Group needs copy paper boxes to pack toys. If you have any to donate, you can just bring them to the WEC and tell the supervisor on duty that they are for the Toy Group. Thank you for your help.

IMPORTANT: THE LAST DAY OF TOY GROUP FOR 2019 IS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH. TOY GROUP WILL RESUME ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2020



About Us

Since 1983

We are an organization of woodcrafters with skills ranging from beginner to master craftsmen.

We meet at our Woodworking Education Center on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 9:00AM. 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.

ALABAMA WOODWORKERS GUILD

“Making sawdust with a purpose”



Membership

Come check us out and become a Guild Member,

Only \$100 a year!

The Alabama Woodworkers Guild offers:

- Monthly meetings
- A fully equipped woodworking shop
- Mentoring for new techniques
- Teaching new and old techniques and use of tools
- Great deals on used tools
- Classes and seminars in woodworking techniques and furniture making

Join

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (Home) _____
(Work) _____

(Cell) _____

Email: _____

Spouse: _____

Please mail this form and a check for \$100 to:

Alabama Woodworkers Guild

Attn: Treasurer

P.O. Box 36804

Birmingham, AL. 35236

or go to <http://wp.awwg.info/join/>