

Tidewater Woodworkers Guild



Notes from the Wood House

Hidy ho fellow woodworkers. It's September: the kids and grandkids are back in school and the weather is great!! You have no excuses for not being out in your shops now!

Last month, Heather Caillet discussed our joint cutting board and salad bowl collaboration with the Tidewater Turners. Pat, Andy, Carl, and Ed followed this up with a presentation of some techniques on how to construct the boards and bowls. This is a very worthy cause and another way we can use our talents to contribute to helping needy people. It is not too late to sign up for this collaboration, as all projects are not due until our October 26th meeting.

If you are interested, please see either Jim Francis, or myself and we will contact Al Kiebert, President of the Turners, and get you paired up with a partner.

This month we will learn some more about making toys for our annual Marine Corps "Toys for Tots" program, with a demonstration from Corey Larson and Jeff Portzline. We will present our toys to the Marines during our November 23rd meeting. If you have any questions pertaining to "Toys for Tots," please talk with our coordinator, Pat Lester.

There are toy plans available for download at our web site, <http://www.twwwg.com/plans.asp>. If you have other plans you would like to add to your site, please give me a clean copy to scan.

Rob Cossman will visit Woodcraft on Friday and Saturday, November 20 and 21. Friday he gives demonstrations in the store, and Saturday he will give three seminars:

Sharpening and using hand planes from 8:00 – 11:00

Hand-cut mortise and tenon joints from 11:30 – 2:00

Hand-cut dovetails from 3:00 – 6:00

The cost for each seminar is \$50, or you can attend all three for \$125.

I will have a one of our shirts for raffle this month: it is sky blue with dark blue TWWWG logo, adult medium, 38-40. Tickets will be \$1.00.

In accordance with our by-laws, I will nominate 3 individuals to serve as members of our annual nominating committee. If anyone is interested, please let me know. Also, it is time for all of us to start thinking about next year and who we want to be pick up the reins for President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer? So start thinking about who you want to guide the guild in 2010. Is it possible you want to run for office?

**September 2009
Issue**

Next Meeting

**September 28, 2009
7:00PM**

Woodcraft of Norfolk
5802 E. Virginia Beach Blvd.
Norfolk, VA 23502
(757) 466-1166

Monthly Meeting
4th Monday of Each
Month

Find Us On the Web
www.twwwg.com

Please note that parts of the site are password protected. The password is provided to those whose dues are current.

Club Dues

Dues are \$15.00 per year and are payable by check or cash.

Upcoming Meetings

Jim Francis will be coordinating presenters and demonstrators each month. If you know of someone that would be a good presenter or if you would like to demonstrate your talents, please contact Jim Francis.

September

Guest Presenters

Corey Larson

Jeff Portzline

Toys for Tots

October

Guest Presenters

Biscuit Joinery

Adrian Marshall

John Moore

The Executive Board

Bret Lancaster	President	631-0634
Jim Frances	Vice President	595-9041
Adrian Marshall	Secretary	877-2710
Fred Olds	Treasurer	486-3862
Andy Steinberg	Past President	285-3575

Contributors Wanted: We are looking for articles for our monthly newsletter like an article on a shop tip or technique, a review about a tool or product or a woodworking event. Send it to patron300@cox.net.

A Visit to MESDA

At an earlier meeting this year, the guest presenter, Nelson Arnold, spoke on Norfolk furniture. To be honest I just about left the Woodcraft store before the meeting started. My thoughts were driven by what I believed would be a boring outing with no sawdust being made.

As he progressed I realized how wrong I was. Somewhere during his presentation, he mentioned MESDA, and said that was the Museum of Early Southern Decorative Art. He mentioned the museum houses some pieces of Norfolk furniture and the thought of visiting there never left my mind. An opportunity to visit presented itself when my wife and I went to Charlotte to visit our daughter.

On August 7th we set off and Garmin (GPS) showed the way to 924 S. Main Street in Winston-Salem, NC. Their website listed tours starting every hour on the hour for \$17. Somehow we got in with the group scheduled for the 1:30 pm tour for \$10. No cameras are allowed and ladies must leave their purses in a secure locker room.

Our "group" numbered three plus the guide. MESDA is housed in an actual old building in a Moravian village similar to Williamsburg. The tour went thru about 10-12 rooms and each room had roughly 4-10 items of period furniture ranging from carved candle stands, pie crust tables, secretaries with upper bookcase, and chairs and benches. Three of the rooms had fireplaces. Floors in a couple of rooms had wood that had been removed from old houses being torn down.

Edenton, NC was mentioned as the location of some of these houses. Another room had wall paneling removed from an old house. Still another room had an original door, complete with lockset and hinges. The furniture displayed from there came from Maryland, Virginia, South Carolina, Georgia and North Carolina. Recently, Roy Underhill of the Woodwright shop visited there and quite a number of woodworking benches were featured. Worth the time and money? You betcha!!!!

Submitted by Jerry Crick..

TWWWG Election Preps 2009

Time to start thinking about next year! Who is going to be picking up the reins for President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer? So start thinking about who you want to guide the guild in 2010. Is it possible you want to run for office?

This is something to think about for a month No action is required until the September when the **President** appoints the three members of the Nominating Committee. The ByLaws are written so that the **Secretary** has some responsibilities in this process.

September

- **President** appoints 3 member Nominating Committee
- **President** sets the guidelines for officer nominations

Further details and procedures will be discussed at this month's meeting.

August 2009 Meeting Minutes

Tidewater Woodworkers Guild

Date: Aug. 24, 2009

The meeting was called to order on 8 / 24 /09 , at 7 pm by the Vice President. Jim Francis

After a short introduction and recognition of new faces, The following announcements and business was presented:

It was suggested by VP Jim Francis, that a Memorial gift be sent to the American Heart Association in Martin Carter's honor. Bob Waddell made a motion and seconded by Pat Lester to make a donation of \$100.00, motion carried.

Ed Bunker asked that the club be thinking about new Club Officers for next year. Nominations will be taken at our October meeting with elections at the November meeting.

VP Jim Francis announced the following up coming programs:

Sept. - Making toys for tots, presenters Corey Larson and Jeff Portzline

Oct.—Biscuit Joinery, presenters John Moore & Adrian Marshall

Nov. - Toys For Tots Presentation

Hostess Heather Calett made the following announcements: Promoting the Project Concern with the board and bowl proceeds to go to Botswana and Zambia

Events at the Woodcraft Store:

Sept. 19 Poker Night, fun and nice prizes.

Nov.7 Anniversary Sale

Nov. 20 & 21 Guest noted woodworker Rob Huffman

Following announcements Jim Francis introduced the program for the night

Presenters Andy Steinberg, Karl Bogett, Pat Taylor & Ed Bunker

Program . How to construct cutting boards and bowls, 1st,2nd 3rd generation laminates, gluing up and finishes to use

Show and Tell

David Lyons—Pie Stand made of solid cherry

Pat Taylor—Folding Foot Stool

David Lee— Toy Car propelled by rubber band

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:30PM.

Submitted

Adrian Marshall / Secretary

Program Highlights From Our August 2009 Meeting



At the August meeting, the Guild was presented with a good overview on the process to build cutting boards and bowls. Andy Steinberg (top left) shows the first phase of the board after cutting and gluing the strips of wood. After planing the blank, the board is crosscut, glued, assembled sanded and finished. The final product is shown by Pat Taylor (top). Karl Bogott, with the assistance of jig, can create more geometrical cuts before final assembly (top right). Ed Bunker (below right) detailed the steps to creating a turned bowl. The boards and bowls pictured were all made from scraps of wood. (pictures by Don Hubbard).

Club Discounts Available

Over the years, certain businesses have offered a variety of discounts to our membership. Below is a current list of companies that offer some type of discount for products and services.

Woodcraft	10% off on meeting night
	Norfolk (757) 466-1166
Sure Set Saw	13% Discount
	Chesapeake (757) 420-7991
Cabinet Makers Hardware	Contractor's Price
	Virginia Beach (757) 490-1185
Wurth Woodgroup	
	Norfolk (757) 858-3908
Scroll-it Service	
	Portsmouth (757) 237-6867
Sherwin Williams Paint	15% Discount
	All stores in Hampton Roads



Show and Tell From Our August 2009 Meeting



In August, David Lyons (top and middle left) brought in his hand carved pie table. The table is crafted out of cherry. The legs are inserted into the base by a carved dovetail. What is most interesting about this table is the project is David's first attempt at carving. And, yes that includes the circular carved stand and the edge of the pie tray. Yes, Jim Francis has volunteered David for our carving presentation. Pat Taylor (top middle) shows off a foot stool that he created using dowels. David Lee (top right) brought in a toy wooden car. The car is propelled by a simple rubber band. David (bottom right) demonstrates the car's mobility. Richard Royals acts at the crew chief to ensure a smooth transition into the pits. (photos by Don Hubbard)

Woodworking on Television

There are a number of woodworking shows on cable and satellite these days for those of you who subscribe to these services.

Recently, WHRO has stopped broad casting the New Yankee Workshop on Channel 15. But if you have digital cable and receive the Create Channel (Cox Channel 109), there are multiple showings of the New Yankee Workshop: Tuesday (4:30PM & 10:30PM); Wednesday (4:30AM); Thursday (4:30PM & 10:30PM); Friday (4:30AM).

On Saturdays now, the Woodsmith Shop is broadcasted on Channel 15 at 8:00AM

At 3:30PM on Saturday, the New Yankee Workshop is broadcast on the North Carolina PBS. This is followed by the Woodwright's Shop at 4:00PM.

The Discovery Channel now carries a show called Extreme Loggers on Wednesday nights at 8PM and 9PM.

If you know of any other shows, please pass on the information.

