

WOODWORKERS



of Southwest Michigan

<http://www.woodguild.org> **October 2018**

Next meeting:

October 9, 2018 @ 7:00pm

**Al Collison's Shop at
10292 Douglas Ave.**

Take Douglas North to Cooper, it is 2 ½ miles North of Cooper, on the right (East) side. Or you can take 131 to D ave East to Douglas and turn left, (North). Al will have an orange cone and flashing light out to get your attention.

Agenda: Dan French will do a program about Chip Carving and Miniature woven baskets.

The meeting was opened by Bill Crown (President) with 32 people present. He encouraged members to renew their membership by paying their 2018-2019 dues. He asked members to suggest ideas and speakers for future meetings. It will assist the program committee as they develop this year's schedule.

He also asked that members seriously consider self nominating later in the meeting for an officer position.

He then introduced first time visitors/new members.

Norm Seiler is a new/old member. He was a member previously but has been distracted by life events and other activities. His specialty is contracting weaving benches.

Jack Carney has a beech and maple forest with a pond and a cabin. He likes maintaining his forest and is a sawyer.

Chris Czarnick is a member of the KzooMakers., as are several guild members. He specializes in Laser/CNC work.

Bill then thanked everyone for coming and laid out some of the guild's missions and activities. He described our process for making wood toy cars and vehicles. They are then distributed to needy children through the Gospel Mission and the Portage Outreach Center. Bill then opened up a "around-the-room sharing session as to how attendees spent their summer hiatus.

John Biermacher continues to work on his repurpose projects and encouraged everyone to visit, possibly join hometalk.com. A free DIY forum that allows you to post projects. He also passed around a box exotics whose obvious use would likely be for turning. He asked that they be used and not squirreled away. He received them from a fellow woodworker (John Greenfield) who is relocating to Washington state. He and a friend also attended an antique tractor, engine show, and Flea Market in South Haven. It is an annual event held late in August by the South Haven Flywheelers Club. He highly recommended attending it.

Thom Kelley had recently participated in a woodworking competition in Magnetawan Ontario. He brought along several entries and ribbon winners as well as miscellaneous projects:

hand carved animal and character figures;

serving trays and wall plaques;

Christmas related items;

a gavel and several whirlygigs.

Wolfgang Lugauer has been busy transforming some reclaimed/salvage lumber to kindling.

Ralph Babcock provided some history and background on Stanley Hinges. Do to mergers

and acquisitions the design and quality of their hinges that made them famous has declined, but original Stanley hinges can be found at harwoodsandtools.com. Ralph also shared some cutting boards he made.

John Wells passed on show and tell, but I assuming much of his summer was spent with his musical performances.

Dave Van Antwerp showed some CNC work and was candid about rescuing a wall hanging from project that original started as a cutting board. He and Adrian and Norm have been collaborating on project and selling some at the Farmer's Market in Grand Rapids.

George Foote described some construction challenges he has encountered while constructing a pole barn.

Jack Carney shared a photo of a high end entry door constructed of cherry and fitted with Baldwin hardware. He also had- two knives he constructed from a file and a mower blade; and a moose fur brush.

George Collins reported he had been doing some blacksmithing with Chuck Andrews and shared a tomahawk head, a knife made from a railroad spike, a ring made from a horseshoe, and some decorative bands.

Dan Wilkins has also been busy at KzooMakers on several workshops with Don Batts. All in addition to his sawyers business- Ideal Woodworking.

Neal Ferguson turn some firewood into a bootjack.

George Wade had a n array of projects- including a railroad mallet, some wooden locks and chains, a tri-square, and a pair of dividers.

Don Squires has been doing some wood turning, specially some bud vases and wooden bowls.

Don Smith has been busy at KazooMakers using the CNC laser it make coasters and emblems associate with him being a firefighter with Cooper Township. He finds the KazooMaker's activities and opportunities very inspirational.

Ron Princing gave an up date on the American Funeral Flag Cases the Guild has made in the past. He and George Armstrong have put together some kits that guild members can assemble and finish. The glass fronts were donate by J&J Glass, a guild sponsor.

Cris Czarnick, another KazooMaker member shared some large wooden swords he designed and made from some exotic woods.

Tom Salmon has been busy with a kitchen remodeling the entire summer. His (and his wife's) frustration with how long it has taken was greatly appreciate by the group.

Matt Erdman shared a photo of a deck and landing project that required a lot of effort.

Tom Metzler has been busy with his band/music/ukulele interests.

Ted Maxon, trailer his cedar strip canoe and park it near the driveway for people to see on their way out.

Milt Lynes has been busy installing a tongue and groove ceiling.

Doug Lynes has been traveling.

Mike Cline share photos of some very decorative wooden shell constructed out of plywood using a scroll saw.

Bill Crown purchased movie for guidance on how to constructed a large (very large) dining room table and two corresponding benches. Mortise and tenon techniques were employed and live-edge cherry, black coral and epoxy filler, sycamore pegs were utilized.

Falling to get any volunteers, current officers were reappointed to their position (I think this will require additional discussion (scolding?) of the membership for failing to take on some responsibilities that others have carried for years)

Many thanks to John Biermacher for providing the notes from the September meeting.

Woodworkers Guild of S.W. Michigan

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The Woodworks Guild of South West Michigan is a group of hobbyist and professional woodworkers of diverse woodworking interests that meet monthly to share knowledge and craftsmanship skills that serve the many facets of woodworking.

Meetings are held second Tuesday of each month from September through May. Meeting time is 7:00pm at a local shop or location of interest.

Annual member ship dues are \$25/year.

Find us on the web at www.woodguild.org



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