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President's Corner—By Mel Bryan

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As we get underway into the year, the first thing we've experienced is the annual "Woodworking Show". I first want to thank everyone that worked manning the booth and the people that brought their items to put on display. Without display items, we wouldn't make much of an

contribute to the overall community of woodworking simply by our presence. Our purpose in participating in the show is to promote our guild as a good place for people to get together and exchange the knowledge and experience in the craft of woodworking, that being the heart and purpose of

Kevin demonstrated raised panel door construction on the router table and I turned some pens. I think these activities added to the presence of our booth and helped catch the attention of passers by. It was a fun experience. I know for myself, that what encouraged me were the two or three



eleven or twelve year old boys that were totally enthralled by turning a pen. One in particular is determined to begin. His dad has a lathe in order and asked a lot of pertinent questions in getting him started. Isn't that what we love to see happen?

Another aspect of being at the show is all of the

impression as a woodworking guild. We had a nice bunch of items that helped draw attention to our club's booth and helped spark conversation. I want to especially thank Kevin Newman for his hard work in organizing the whole thing. Thanks, Kevin.

the guild. I'm sure if you were to ask anyone that worked in the booth they would say that it causes you to evaluate and appreciate the value of belonging to our guild, because you are asked some pretty pointed questions about the club you are representing.

woodworking tool vendors that are present. Granted, not all are there, but it's a good place to compare "hands on" a lot of different brands of

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So, what's the big deal about the Woodworking Show? From a club perspective, it's a place where we can make ourselves visible to other people with similar interests and at the same time

This year we expanded a little by getting a little more space and adding some demonstrations. Demonstrations were given on dovetail joinery by John Freeland, mortise and tenon joinery by Neil Winquist,

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February— Merit Industries



Peter from Merit Industries will be doing a presentation on finishing. This will focus on stains and glazing techniques. Merit specializes in finishing & refinishing supplies and is a local company located in Kansas City, Kansas. The March meeting presentation will be provided by Melanie & Liz from Porter Cable and will provide a demo of their new omnijig. ☺

Greg Hull

Presidents Corner Continued

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tools in one spot. Consider all the catalogs you get and how difficult it is to truly compare just from printed material, but at the show you can put the tools side by side and check them out. Plus by being a member of the guild and wearing your name tag, you get a discount above the often show discounted price. By-the-way, you can get a glimpse of pictures of the Woodworking Show including our booth on the internet at; kansascity.com then click on “community faces” under “Entertainment” (on the left side of the screen) then select the “Woodworking Show”.

Now, going back to the subject of displaying our work, I would like to touch a little bit on the ‘show & tell’ aspect of our meeting. As you may know, and as it is stated in our by-laws, the purpose of the guild is to; “promote the exchange of woodworking information and to further the craft.” Therefore, I would like to encourage you to participate actively in ‘show & tell’ by bringing items and sharing with the rest of us. It doesn't have to be something new and

recent or fancy or complicated and so forth. It can be something that maybe you built years ago and learned from or maybe it has an interesting story or has a special meaning to you or someone. Even a goof-up that taught a certain lesson or a fixture you made to solve a special problem or that helped make a process safer or simpler, or maybe even a tool you've discovered. The point I'm trying to bring out is that through our show & tell, we are doing what we are all there for; that being “exchanging information” and helping each other. I think about everyone I've talked to within the guild has expressed how much they enjoy and get out of “show & tell”. I will even venture to say that “show & tell” is just as important as any presentation we might have. We all want to learn and this is one way we can from each other.

On that note, please bring to ‘show & tell’ this month that special prize or purchase you picked up at the Woodworking Show. Or, if it's too large, maybe a picture or brochure and tell about it.

For just a brief glimpse of some of the things we are planning now; a spring members' shop tour in May sometime, a sawmill field trip when the weather warms, and joining in with the KC Woodcarvers which is March 21 & 22. If anyone has any suggestions, they are certainly welcomed. Just tell any of the officers or board members. The status of the Marine flag case currently is that they want only one as a prototype for approval. Therefore, if anyone wants to undertake building it, contact me and I will work with you, otherwise I may attempt it myself.

Keep working that wood and work it safely. ☺

Mel Bryan
President

Out of the Workshop-Guild Member Profile Of Connie Mowrey

A man of many skills is our featured member this month. The man possessing those skills is Connie Mowrey.

Connie began developing his skills early in life while growing up on a farm in the Syracuse, Missouri area. (Syracuse is just east of Sedalia.) Not having a high school in Syracuse, he attended high school in Tipton. The only shop activity was in the Vocational Ag department and that didn't include woodworking. At eighteen years of age Connie went into the Navy for a four year stint.

When Connie got out of the Navy, he started work for Western Electric as an installer for a short period. He then worked as a plumber and then, in 1959, he became a fireman with the Kansas City Fire Department. Connie worked there for 35 years retiring in 1993. While there, he worked in several positions including driver, and Captain, becoming Battalion Chief, the position he held for 20 years and from which he retired. As most firemen, Connie had several second jobs. One of those was as an appliance repairman for Sears for 22 years. Other jobs were as an electrician and carpenter. After retirement from the fire department Connie was doing remodeling work and took the job of remodeling the offices of Timber King, the makers of the Timber King sawmill and the Woodmaster planer/molder. The sawmills caught Connie's eye and he began inquiring about them and ended up working for them by delivering and demonstrating

the mills in every state in the continental United States except California. His wife was able to go along with him and they did that for 10 or 12 years until just the last couple of years. Therefore, Connie



has developed a pretty good knowledge of different wood types and has quite a variety of wood in the small lumber yard in his basement.

Although Connie has only belonged to our guild for just a few years, he has been doing woodworking most of his life. He says he started in his pre-teen years out of necessity on the farm working with his brother. The way Connie was drawn to our guild was at the Woodworking Tool Show. What he enjoys the most about our guild are the members themselves and the interaction and sharing of ideas, problems, solutions and accomplishments.

Connie has learned his woodworking by making

mistakes and correcting them. Does this sound familiar to anyone besides me? He had no teacher, mentor or formal training. Now his woodworking keeps him busy and out of trouble. He gives

price of \$50 in 1967. (He still uses it.) His favorite tool would be his Woodmaster planer/molder. And he also has a 26" Woodmaster drum sander. He has a pretty good collection of hand planes and they may be his favorite hand tools. He feels that he is pretty well set up and only buys new tools to replace what is worn out.

The favorite woods Connie likes to use are walnut and cherry. The finish of his choice is water based finishes which he almost exclusively sprays on most of his projects. Connie has made a lot of cabinets but his most challenging project was the computer desk that he recently finished which included raised panel doors.

away about 80% of what he makes and only sells some to cover the cost of supplies. He has built a lot of cabinets, stools and, at one time, made a lot of school house clocks. There were 2 articles in the "Kansas City Star" featuring the door knob coat hangers and the alarm clocks he has made. He does his woodworking whenever he gets the urge and a lot of the other time is spent traveling with their 5th wheel camper and does a little fishing.

Connie's shop is in his basement and is "big enough" but he says it needs to be 'updated'. His first tool was a radial arm saw which he got while at Sears that was a return and in a box totally taken apart which he got at the

The advice Connie would offer to beginning woodworkers is to join a guild where you can meet people to bounce ideas off of. Other advice; is to subscribe to magazines and start out small; don't tackle large projects to start off with. And Connie is willing to give general help to anyone.

Thanks, Connie, for letting us get to know you better and keep up the good work. ☺

Mel Bryan



Wood Carvers Show 2008



The 2008 Annual woodcarving show sponsored by the Kansas City Wood Carvers Club is coming to Lee's Summit.

The show will be March 21st and 22nd at John Knox Pavilion, 520 NW Murray Rd, Lee's Summit.

The show features carving displays of all

kinds, wood turnings, scroll saw creations, intarsia, wood burning, carving tools, variety of wood for carving, carving books, a carving contest, and, much, much more.

Hours:

March 21

10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

March 22

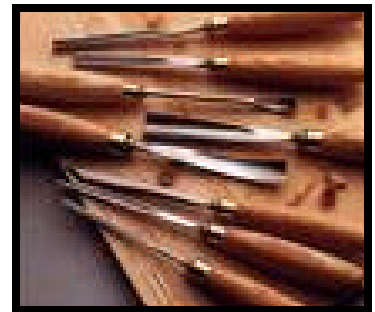
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Directions: About 1 mile south of I-470 and Rt. 50 hwy. Take 1st south exit(Chipman Rd), turn right, then 1st left onto Murray Rd. Pavilion on right side of road about 1/4 mile.

Come out to the show and support your local woodcarvers.

Admission is \$3.00.

For more information on entering the contest or attending the show, email Ed Zinger for details. zingo@comcast.net. ©



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Secretaries Notes For January 8, 2008



Secretaries Notes were:

GUILD DUES - For the year 2008 dues will be \$15.00 and are being collected starting this month.

TOY PROJECT -Support our raffle as this is our way of giving back to the community through the donation we make to the "TOYS FOR TOTS" program. Thanks to those that are supporting this project.

SHOP TOURS – Plans are being made for the spring of 2008. A schedule will be published soon.

ANNUAL AUCTION- With the success of our last auction it is being suggested that we plan for future auctions. The methods and processes for doing such a program are still in the making. Any suggestions would be appreciated and it is hoped that something can be put together for later in the year – more later.

MEETING NOTICES – During bad weather tune to CHANNEL 41 for any cancellation of the GUILD meeting.

GUEST/VISITORS - Welcome and please sign the registry (this gets you a copy of the newsletter for the next two months). Attendance was 73.

SHOW AND TELL—

1. John Freeland displayed a TABLE/STOOL made from CHERRY (solid movable top with hold-downs) and a SHELLACK FINISH.
2. Randy Bray had a MIRROR COAT RACK .
3. Dan Blackmon had a LAST SUPPER CARVING (Carve right) made from WALNUT and CORNER BRACKETS and a SCROLLSAW PLAQUE made from OAK .

President Mel Bryan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. General statements made by the President

4. Bill Evans had a MAJESTIC TURNED PEN.
5. Walt Borer had CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS and a HORSE HEAD done on his SCROLLSAW.
6. Steve Todd had a STEP STOOL of OAK with TAPERED SIDES.
7. Gale Markley had a NECKLACE CASE made from CHERRY.
8. Connie Mowery had a STEP STOOL and a BENCH made from WHITE CYPRUS and CHINESE ELM.
9. Gerard Wissman had another of his fine CLASSICAL GUITARS with a CEDAR TOP and EAST INDIAN ROSEWOOD for the BACK.

PROGRAM—Vice President Greg Hull introduced Jay Helland (one of our own) who will give us an insight into his methods of "MAKING A TURNED SEGMENTED BOWL" . This was in most part a video that Jay put together while going through the processes that are required to make a successful bowl – needless to say it still takes skill and the patience of a saint (asking for a lot !!!). This was an interesting presentation and one when Jay gets it refined will be a useful tool in instructing others to join the clan. Thanks to Jay for this program and for stepping forward in a time of need. We appreciate those in the Guild that are willing to share their knowledge. Don't forget to help our Vice President Greg Hull by keeping a lookout for anything that would be of interest to our members.

COOKIES: Thanks to the guild for providing the cookies.

NEXT MEETING—February 12, 2008. President Mel Bryan closed the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bill Akers☉

Guild Member Discounts

Paxton 10% on all items.
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Dues for 2008



If you have not yet paid your dues for 2008, this is your last newsletter. If you are in doubt, check to see if you have received your membership card.

Your annual dues help keep the guild strong and healthy. It's a small price to pay to for such a tremendous source of knowledge.

Roy will give you a new membership card when you pay your dues at the meeting. By paying your 2008 dues as soon as possible, Roy will be able to include you when he publishes the 2008 membership roster in March or April.

Be sure and let Roy know if your email, phone number, or home address has changed since last year. ☺

Woodworking Show 2008



A special thanks to all the volunteers that worked the woodworkers show year.

We had a great group of volunteers that helped in a variety of ways. From those that displayed and shared their talents with passer by's to those that did demonstrations, it was all greatly appreciated.

It's great to see so many people offering to help out with such an event.

Without everyone's efforts the show would not have been the success it was.

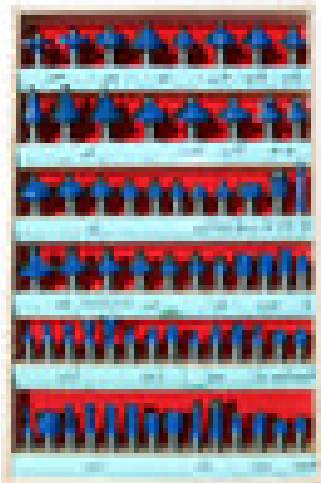
A big thanks to Mel Bryan for updating the Power Point.

We made a lot of contacts and hope to see some new faces at future meetings.

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Raffle

At the February meeting, our featured big item for the raffle is a 66 piece



router bit set donated to the guild by Woodline USA. This set is valued at \$199.

This router bit set would be a great addition to any workshop.

Be sure and give Woodline a chance to earn your business the next time you shop for router bits. You can visit their web site at www.woodline.com.

Raffle tickets can be purchased at the meeting

for \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00.

All proceeds will be used to benefit our charity fund and the Toys for Tots program. ☺

New Members

Congratulations and welcome to these first time new members of the Lee's Summit Woodworker's guild. We're glad to have you aboard. ☺

Welcome Aboard!

- Kevin Casey O'Conner
Lee's Summit, MO
- Charles Marchand
Lee's Summit, MO
- Dave & Paula Arn -
Belton, MO