Ron’s Ramblings

Hello Everyone,

Jerry Anson did it again! He came through with another interesting topic. The only problem is Jerry always makes it look sooo easy. I don’t know what I like better, the finished product or listening to Jerry tell everyone about the problems he had to overcome to get to that finished product. Jerry told me he had about 100 slides, but they seemed to fly bye. The pumpkin stem on the bottom was a nice touch. I really liked the piercing he did on the cover. The different sizes of holes, and not looking like a perfect stamped out cover, seemed to add a little bit of character. Thank you Jerry, for another very interesting program.

Work safe and share your hobby!

Ron Reuter

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REFLECTIONS
Submitted by Leila Crandall-Frink

To the right is a picture of a carved gourd that was the inspiration for the Quinacridone Seed Pod that Jerry Anson made as a segmented piece. Jerry did a presentation to the guild about how he made the piece and all the issues he had to overcome in the process. Under the gourd picture is a picture of Jerry’s completed Seed Pod. They are amazingly similar. I will attempt to write a recap of the meeting from my meager notes. Mostly I will be using Jerry’s pictures that he generously shared.

Jerry used a drawing program to plan the different pieces he would make and the dimensions he would need each piece to be. He figured out what angle the pieces would need to be cut at and how many of each he would need to make to complete the main body of the piece.

He started with a piece of 1 x 6 x 4’ Aspen for the wood. He built a segment sled for his saw so his segments would be consistent and fit together correctly. He cut the pieces for each ring and lined them up on some sticky paper with a tiny spacer between each segment. Then he was able to put the glue on the pieces and pull them together leaving the spacers in the two halves with no glue on them. Then when he folded them together he had a hose clamp ring he could tighten to let them dry. He

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Rockler Class Schedule - Tuition assessed

- Make Your Own Custom Pen, Oct 7, 11:30 AM
- Wooden Handle Seam Ripper with Gary Datka, Oct 11, 5:00 PM
- Wooden Cribbage Board, Oct 14 at 11:30 AM
- Patriotic Night Light (Intermediate), Oct 20, 1:00 PM
- Barrel Stave Candle Centerpiece, Oct 21, 11:30 AM
- Patriotic Ornament (Beginner), Oct 23, 1:00 PM
- Build Your Own Custom Knife, Oct 28, 11:30 AM

Rockler Demonstrations

- 10/6 Turning - 11AM
- 10/13 Arbortech Power Carving - 11AM
- 10/20 SawStop Professional Cabinet Saw -11AM

Woodcraft Class Schedule - Tuition assessed

- Basic Cabinet Construction with: Chris Kraemer, on Tuesdays Oct 2nd thru Nov 6th, 6 to 9 PM
- Basic Router Techniques with: Dan McClanahan, Thursday, Oct 4, 6 PM - 9 PM
- Lathe Tool Sharpening with: Kevin Seigworth, Saturday, Oct 6, 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM
- Woodworking Fundamentals with: Chris Kraemer, on Mondays Oct 8th to Oct 22nd
- Introduction to Pen Turning - Turn A Wall Street II Ballpoint Pen. with: Chris Kraemer, Thursday, October 11, 6 PM - 9 PM
- Introduction to Bowl Turning with: Marv Bollman, Sunday, October 14, 10 AM - 4 PM
- Introduction to Wood Preparation. with: Dan McClanahan, Wednesday, October 17, 6 PM - 9 PM
- Introduction to The Scroll Saw with: Dave Hansen, Friday, October 19, 5 PM - 7 PM
- Woodworking For Women with: Dan McClanahan, Wednesday, October 24, 5 PM - 9 PM
- Learn How To Make A Raise Panel Cabinet Door with: Chris Kraemer, Thursday, October 25, 6 PM - 9 PM

All Rockler classes and demos are held at Rockler Woodworking & Hardware, 1723 S 108th St., West Allis. For further details, call them at 414-774-1882.

All Woodcraft classes and demos are held at Woodcraft of Milwaukee: 14115 W. Greenfield Ave., New Berlin. For further details, call them at 262-765-6770
had two half rings for each section and then glued them together.

Jerry made five sections to make the entire piece. He glued the sections together and glued a single layer of newspaper between section 3 and 4. They were to become the top and bottom of the vessel. The paper stayed in during the turning process.

He then turned the outside of the piece until he was satisfied with the shape. Then he was ready to turn the inside. Before doing that turning he separated the top and bottom halves where the newspaper was. He then turned the inside of the top and bottom.

At this point, he made some sort of mistake and the bottom of the piece broke. He was able to glue it back together and then he took the piece to his bandsaw and removed the bottom piece that attached to the chuck. In my opinion it is amazing he was able to glue the pieces back together. You can see in this picture the numbering he did to fit pieces back together.

Next Jerry worked on shaping the finger on the top piece. He drew the layout on the surface top and used carving tools to cut out the design. A lot more sanding and smoothing and he had the first part of the top finished.

I am again impressed with the amount of work and attention to details that went into each part of the process that Jerry did to make his seed pod piece. The fingers on the top were just the first of many details. He next part was the petal cluster. He had to turn the top and inside of the cluster, and the curve had to be exact so it would fit in the top. Then he had to cut the holes and the petal shape. He did a layout of the center holes and then cut many random holes to make the petal cluster look correct.

He finally made the finger pod. This is the final piece before all the finishing details. He made a template of the shape he needed. He turned the general shape of this part and then hand carved the final details.

Then he had to do all the details of the pieces and the final assembly. To do this part he did some air brushing; he used some light modeling paste to make the appearance of hairs on the inside. He carved scales on the outside; he airbrushed with quinacridone red on the outside, he hand painted the scale grooves and then glazed the entire piece in yellow.

Final steps included carving small petals in the bottom and fitting the top and bottom together. Then he carved a continuation of the grooves in the bottom. He added small specks on the cut out finger area. He hand carved a stem and did the final air brushing of color and applied the final glaze.

This entire process was amazing Jerry. Thank you for sharing your slides and your process. I am sure this article just hit on highlights of the entire process! Thank you!

Final pictures of the piece, back and front.
**WWG Winners, August 2018 Meeting**

Raffle winners in September were: Ted Cooper-2, Don Marshall, Tom Masnica-2, Ron Reuter, Jay Pilling, Joe Eberle, Lyle Husar, Lyle Morrison-2, Larry Teufel, Al Herwig, and Richard Stefanowski. Congratulations to all!

Door Prize winners were: Mike Prebish, Ro Jadat, Jerry Tackes, Andy Wagner, and Ted Cooper.

Happy Shopping!

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**For sale items are on WWG Website**

Check out our 'For Sale' page(s) on the WWG Website which is updated regularly. Go to [http://wisewoodworkersguild.org/ForSaleETC.html](http://wisewoodworkersguild.org/ForSaleETC.html). Listings are screened for interest to our members. However, WWG is not responsible for the accuracy of the listings or for the quality of the products. Caveat emptor - "Let the buyer beware".

Dave Steingart, Webmaster

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**Woodworking Clubs in Wisconsin and Northern Illinois**

- **Badger Woodturners Club**, Madison; First Tuesday of each month, 6:30pm. [badgerwoodturners.org](http://badgerwoodturners.org)
- **Blackhawk Carving Club**, Wednesdays, 8:30 - 11am, Ken-Rock Community Center, 3218 11th St., Rockford, IL. [http://blackhawkcarving.com](http://blackhawkcarving.com)
- **Capital Area Carvers**, Madison, WI; Second Tuesday of each month, 7pm. [capitalareacarversofwisconsin.org](http://capitalareacarversofwisconsin.org)
- **DuPage Woodworkers**, Glen Ellyn, IL, Fourth Wednesday each month except July, 7pm. [dupagewoodworkers.com](http://dupagewoodworkers.com)
- **Fox Valley Woodworking Club**, Batavia, IL; First Tuesday of each month, 7:30pm; [fvwwc.org](http://fvwwc.org)
- **Kettle Karvers Club**, Plymouth, WI; First Wednesday each month, 6:30pm, Generations, 1500 Douglas Dr., in the Masters Gallery Foods room, Plymouth, WI. See website for other dates and times. [kettlekarvers.org](http://kettlekarvers.org)
- **Lake Country Carvers**, Oconomowoc, WI; monthly, second Thurs. 5:30pm; Ray Burow, 920-474-4075
- **MAD Woodworkers**, Monona, WI; Third Wednesday of each month, 6:30pm; [madwoodworkers@yahoo.com](mailto:madwoodworkers@yahoo.com)
- **Mid-Wisconsin Chippers**, Neenah, WI. First Sunday each month 1:30pm; [mwchippers@gmail.com](mailto:mwchippers@gmail.com)
- **Milwaukee Area Woodturners (MAWt)**, metro-Milwaukee, WI. First Monday each month 6:30pm, Woodcraft of Milwaukee; [mawturners.com](http://mawturners.com)
- **Northeast Wisconsin Woodturners**, Neenah, WI; Second Saturday, Sept. thru June, 9am. [NEWWoodturners.org](http://NEWWoodturners.org)
- **Northeastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild**, Green Bay. Third Wednesday each month, 7pm. [newwg.org](http://newwg.org)
- **River Bend Carving Club**, Racine, WI. First & third Saturdays of the month, 9:30 - 11:30 am. $3/student, 3600 N. Green Bay Rd., Racine. [www.riverbendracine.org](http://www.riverbendracine.org)
- **Rock River Valley Carvers**, Janesville; First Thursday of each month, 7pm; [rockrivervalleycarvers.com](http://rockrivervalleycarvers.com)
- **West Allis Woodworkers Club**, West Allis, WI. Art Kastner, President at 414-476-9902
- **International Association of Penturners (IAP)**, Wisconsin Chapter, meets as needed at Woodcraft of Milwaukee, Lower Level; [penturners.org](http://penturners.org)
- **Wilson Park Woodcarvers & Woodturners**, Milwaukee, Wednesdays, 8:30am - Noon, Wilson Park Senior Center, 2601 W. Howard Ave., Ed Thomas, 414-427-8256
- **Wisconsin River Woodcarvers**, Stevens Point, 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month, 6pm - 9pm, The Lincoln Center, 1519 Water St. [www.wisconsinriverwoodcarvers.org](http://www.wisconsinriverwoodcarvers.org)
- **Wisconsin River Woodcarvers**, Wisconsin Rapids, Wednesdays, 6pm - 9pm, First Congregational Church, 311 2nd St. South [www.wisconsinriverwoodcarvers.org](http://www.wisconsinriverwoodcarvers.org)
- **Wisconsin Valley Woodturners**, Wausau, WI; First Thursday of each month, 7pm. [wisconsinvalleywoodturners.org](http://wisconsinvalleywoodturners.org)
- **Wisconsin Wood Turner (WWT)**, AAW Member, Eric Meigs, President, [wisconsinwoodturner.com](http://wisconsinwoodturner.com). First Saturday each month, 9am, Woodcraft of Milwaukee, Lower Level.

The accuracy of the above information is not guaranteed. If you would like to attend a meeting, be sure to use the contact information and get confirmation. Also, if you spot any errors or changes, please send corrections to Don Doss at [FourPartHarmony@att.net](mailto:FourPartHarmony@att.net). Thank you!
MEMBER SPOTLIGHTS

Tom Masnica

Tom Masnica has *always* loved woodworking. Ron Pederson first involved him in a project 30 years ago, during the Guilds’ Grandfather Clock class. The clock was finished, but family, business, and other commitments kept Tom from much active woodworking.

Ron got him re-interested in woodworking, and Tom joined the Guild in July 2017. He finds the amount of knowledge on display in the Guild as ‘phenomenal’, and greatly enjoys learning from the other members. Tom is the father of four, and has spent a life in manufacturing. He owns two businesses – an engraving company, and a manufacturing company.

Larry Johanssen

Larry Johanson began woodworking projects as a young teen, building items like balsa wood models and dog houses. Like a lot of us, ‘life’ interrupted woodworking as he chased careers. He spent the majority of his work life in systems integration engineering and project management, dealing with industrial robotics and automation systems.

He got back into woodworking three years ago when he started a business doing home improvements. In his presentation to the Guild in June he described the fireplace mantels, utility room cabinets, and other items he produces. A member since October 2017, he appreciates the member interactions and learning from the members at the meetings, and he regularly shares jobs with the members.

Wisconsin Woodworkers’ Guild
Board Meeting Notes
September 27, 2018

Woodcraft Basement, Guild Meeting Room, 6:30 pm start.
ATTENDEES: Ron Reuter, Greg Waldo, Ron Pederson, Jay Pilling, Don Doss, Leila Crandall-Frink, Jerry Anson, Jim Schlarb, Tom Masnica, Jack Zbiegien, Sr.
TREASURY: Balance of $7,528.21 as of 09/27/18. During the prior month the Guild experienced $187 revenue and $518 expenses. Major expenses included door prizes ($200), Toy Committee expenditures ($144.31), and Admin expenses ($173.77)
MEMBERSHIP: There were 62 members present at the 09-06-18 meeting.
NOTES: Member input for Guild activities based on the Mid-Michigan Guild Annual Expo and the Madison Wood Guild regular community outreaches were reviewed. Member concern for the published 2019 dues increases was reviewed and discussed, and a portion of the October 06 General Meeting will be devoted to a review the determining factors with the members. Regular and ongoing expenses were discussed and justified. Participation in the Makers Faire and Carhartt open house were reviewed. Planning for the Christmas program and raffle was reviewed and finalized.
A reminder that all items for publication in R.I.P.S.A.W. should be sent to both Leila Crandall-Frink (leila.frink@gmail.com) and Don Doss (FourPartHarmony@att.net).

Respectfully Submitted, Jack Zbiegien, Sr.
NOTICE!

The Guild is regularly asked if it accepts donations of tools or equipment from estates, or from woodworkers who are leaving the craft for one reason or another. The answer is 'yes'. As a 501 (c)(3) we are permitted to accept such donations, and will provide appropriate receipts for tax purposes. We will not provide appraisal services or selling advise. A donation is an excellent way to honor the memory of the woodworker, while supporting the Mission of the Guild. If you are considering such a gift, or know someone who might be, please contact an Officer, listed in RIPSAW.

NOTICE!

Woodworker of the Year time has come around again. We have 2 nominations at this time. Please speak to Ron Reuter if you have someone you would like to nominate. Or you can put the name on a piece of paper and give it to Ron.

September Show & Tell

Al Herwig shows his metal medallion made from a photo and his carved walking stick! Nice work Al!

Lyle Morrison Shows an oar he wood burned with nature animals. He showed a mallet he made and a walking stick from his favorite wood that he harvests from a swamp. Your work is always interesting Lyle. And he gave a little scientific explanation related to Jerry’s presentation.

George Henderson Showed his Shaker box. He has shown us many examples of this box in many different sizes. I would say he has become our local expert in making shaker boxes. Thanks for sharing George.
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Upcoming Programs & Events. Regular meetings start at 6:30pm and end by 8:30pm. Please depart Woodcraft no later than 9:00pm.

October 4, 2018  Chris Kramer will speak about Finishing and we will have a general business meeting.
November 1, 2018  Jeff Baenen from Kenosha will speak about his boxes.
December 6, 2018  Annual Holiday Party at Meyers Restaurant

Respectfully submitted by Jay Pilling, Program Director