Hello Everyone,

New Meeting Time Is 6:30 pm.

Peter Straub did an excellent job with the bamboo, but I have to admit I walked away thinking there’s no way I could afford the material for the two or three cutting boards I might make. I haven’t given up completely on the thought, and I’m glad the Kettle Moraine Tour is this weekend. Hopefully they may have an idea on cost for bamboo. Peter’s cutting boards would make excellent Christmas gifts, but I could buy several new tools with the cost and it wouldn’t be a gift I, myself, made. Never the less, you have to admit his work was beautiful and I would like to see his work again at one of the Art Shows he is in. I’ll keep an eye out for him.

Work safe and share your hobby!

Ronald Reuter

Ron’s Ramblings

Reflections

Using Bamboo to make Cutting boards

We were privileged to have Peter Strub of Strub’s Woodcrib in Elkhart Lake do a presentation at our May meeting. Peter grew up in Elkhart Lake. He worked as an anesthesiologist for 35 years and retired a few years ago. He started woodworking because he always liked to make things. He enjoys doing something with his hands, something he can show for his work. He started selling his work at art shows before he retired.

Some of his early work that he sold were original design clocks made from exotic. He showed several clocks he made with spalted maple mixed with mahogany or walnut. He said the name of spalted wood came from split and was changed by the German woodworkers. After a few years of selling his clocks, the economy changed and he needed to diversify and make smaller pieces in order to continue selling.

In the more recent years he has started making bamboo cutting boards and has done well with that. He is someone who thinks outside of the box, so he has no problem thinking of new things to make. He works with Moso Bamboo. He said Moso Bamboo is one of the hardest kinds. It comes in different colors; blond, brown and dark brown. He explained that the steam curing of the bamboo changes the color of the product as it takes the sugars out.

Peter talked about the growing process for bamboo. He said that scientifically bamboo is at its densest when it is 5-6 years old. It is then about 80 feet tall. It is hollow in the middle.

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**Woodcraft Class Schedule - Tuition assessed**

- Turn a Razor for Father’s Day, Thursday, June 2, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
- HAND TOOL SHARPENING, Saturday, June 4, 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM
- Table Saw Fundamentals, Monday, June 6, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
- Veneered top Jewelry Box, Thursday, June 9 & 16, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
- Raised Panel Doors On A Router Table, Monday, June 13 & 20, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
- Woodworking For Women, Thursday, June 23, 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM

*For further details, call Woodcraft: 262-765-6770. Woodcraft is located at 14115 W. Greenfield Ave., New Berlin*

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**Rockler Class Schedule - Tuition assessed**

- Pizza Cutter Handle Turning with Gary, June 11, 2016, 12pm - 3pm
- Intermediate Scroll Sawing with Matt, June 18, 2016, 1pm - 5pm
- Father’s Day Pen Turning with Gary, June 19, 2016, 11am - 3pm
- Beginning Bowl Turning With Gary, June 25, 2016, 9am - 1:30pm

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**Rockler Demonstrations**

- 5/21/2016 Knife Making Made Simple - 11AM
- 5/28/2016 Routing Radiused Corners - 11AM
- 6/4/2016 Knife Making Made Simple - 11AM
- 6/4/2016 CNC Shark 11AM - 3PM
- 6/11/2016 Sign Making - 11AM
- 6/18/2016 Custom Woodturning - 11AM
- 6/25/2016 Wood Finishing with HVLP Sprayers - 11AM

*For further details, call Rockler: 414-774-1882. Location: 1725 S 108th St, West Allis*

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At one time he put and glued the bamboo together himself, but now he buys it in 150 pound blocks. An American company is processing the bamboo in China to his specifications.

He said he uses Titebond III which is water resistant and food safe glue when making his cutting boards. He gets his blocks 36 X 72 or 96 X 30. His stock sizes for cutting boards are 1 ½ inches thick or ¾ inches thick. He applies glue to both sides of a slab and clamps within 2 minutes. The end grain of the bamboo is on the flat surface of the cutting board. It has the added benefit of not dulling knives. He has some professional chefs who will only use his cutting board.

His presentation was interesting and informative. You can go to Peter’s website to check out the information he has there and see pictures of items he has for sale. Check out strubswoodcrib.com. Thank you Peter.

Submitted by Leila Crandall-Frink
For Sale

Rich and I are preparing to move to an apartment and looking to sell our woodworking equipment. We have a Delta variable speed lathe that I bought early in my woodworking journey. It has not been used very much and would love a new owner who wants to give it regular attention.

Also, included (or not) are a set of woodturning tools. Mostly Sorby gouges, scrapers and a parting tool. I also have pieces of various wood blocks that can go along with it.

We also have a Hegner single speed scroll saw for sale.

We are willing to consider any reasonable offer. Call and set up an appointment to take a look at what we have for sale.

Leila Crandall-Frink
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Woodworkers Gym
The Woodworker's Gym is a public-access woodworking shop owned and managed by Guild member Dan Meissner. He is looking to tap into the vast experience of Guild members for part-time shop monitors. Please find some time to stop by, tour the facility and chat.

Special rate for Guild members: get a 10% discount on memberships and classes! Call 262-373-9411 for more information.

The Woodworker's Gym is located at 3220 N. 126th St. in Brookfield, just a half-mile west of I-41/US-45 on Burleigh Rd., open Tuesday-Sunday beginning at 11 a.m.

JEWELRY BOX WORKSHOP
Bob Dickey is willing to work individually or with a small group to do a workshop to make a Jewelry Box as he described in his presentation on Thursday, March 3rd. There are two options. It would be a hands-on workshop where each person member would build a jewelry box similar to the one pictured. This class would require two very full days (a couple of consecutive Saturdays, Sundays, or a mix) and could serve a maximum of six students. The cost for this workshop is $260, including all materials.

The date(s) and times of the workshop would be determined and would necessarily be based on Bob's availability as well as yours. If you are interested, please contact Bob Dickey and make your arrangements. At the time of this writing, Bob is relatively flexible after the last week in April, and July 24 - 31. The second weekend in August is out, as is October 28 - November 8th.

Contact Bob at his business and let him know of your interest.

Bob's number at Woodline is 262-378-9255.

May Raffle & Door Prize Winners
Lucky raffle winners in May were: Bob Hillman, Jim Schlarb, Dick Garbe, Shawna Henderson, Lyle Husar, Ron Reuter and Gary Emerich.

Door prize winners were: Bob Merner, Ron Reuter, Carl Szopinski, Al Herwig and Dennis Motl.

Congratulations to all the winners.

Notice
The 15th Annual Woodlanders Gathering, Rustic Arts and Nature Crafts Workshops
July 7-10, 2016
Shake Rag Alley School for the Arts
Mineral Point, Wisconsin

Celebrating its 15th year at our non-profit school for the arts, Shake Rag Alley in Mineral Point, Wisconsin, this unique event offers over 40 workshops to choose from, more than 20 talented instructors to work with creating rustic furniture, garden structures, woodcarvings, and other nature based projects using hand tools and natural materials like fresh green bendable willow, recycled wood, twigs and branches, gourds, stone, leather, plants, cement, metal, and more.
For details: http://www.shakeragalley.com/woodlanders-16
Notice: For sale items now on WWG Website. There is a new section on our WWG Website, updated regularly by our webmaster, Dave Steingart. Check it out at http://wiscwoodworkersguild.org/ForSaleETC.html. Although the listings are screened for interest to our members, WWG is not responsible for the accuracy of the listings or for the quality of the products. Caveat emptor - ‘Let the buyer beware’.

Show and Tell - May 2016
Peters website, www.strubswoodcrib.com has pictures and information on the bamboo and finishing products he uses. Check it out!

Thanks to David Drickhamer for all the pictures for this issue of the RIPSAY.
Remember the meeting will now start at 6:30 with the board meeting at 5:30

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