Ron’s Ramblings

Hello Everyone,

Well Saturday we had our first ZOOM meeting and I didn’t think it went too bad. I at least hope it will let members know what is current, and what is going on, even with this COVID-19. It was a lot easier than I thought, but that was due to Alex Leffelman and Jerry Anson. We had a few bugs, but I didn’t think it went bad at all. Hopefully next month will be better. Attendance was a little low, but being our first, I guess that should be expected. We are working on the possibility of having a speaker, remotely, and we will have updates on some of the questions brought up. As I said at the meeting, I am very doubtful we will be having a Christmas Party this year, and I am thinking our monthly meetings will be on Zoom, on Saturdays, with the lower level open to those who would like to attend. Safety would come first, although it would be hard in that confined area. It will be up to individual discretion.

With the lack of personal contact, please keep in touch with any one of us on the board to give us your thoughts. I don’t look at my e-mail every day, but when I see it, I will get back to you.

Please send pictures of what you have been up too during the COVID-19 epidemic. Many of us would like to see what is going on! Send them to Alex Leffelman and he will put them on our newsletter. Keep in touch!

Work safe and share your hobby!

RON REUTER
GUILD PRESIDENT
Reflections - Saturday Zoom

Our first Zoom meeting went off with only a few bugs. Once we got a little more comfortable, things seemed to move smoothly. Six members showed up in the lower level and, we all tried to support “social distancing.” Some masks were worn. Ron Reuter went over financing, and it seemed that part was quick. Greg Waldo took over Eric Novak’s position as treasurer. We have several positions open on the board: Vice President, Program Director, (Jay Pilling will be stepping down), and Sponsorship Director. If anyone is interested, please contact a board member. An Election Committee Chairman is also needed for an Election Committee, along with the names of anyone who would like to run for any of the positions. Rich Stefanowski thoroughly discussed dust masks and the different types and costs, Jerry Anson showed his very tiny work done on a ship he was building, and Ron Reuter showed a jig he made for the adjusting knob on the giant plane and the problems he had.

We received a number of donations from several different people last month. A 5-piece wood chisel set by Robert Sorby, an orbital sander from Triton, and a huge selection of blanks, kits, and supplies needed to make pens. Once we break down the boxes, we will get you better informed.

The talk of recording a work shop on the large wrist watches was discussed and we hope to do the recording at Ron Pederson’s shop. We will keep you updated.

It is very important we keep in touch through e-mails since we can’t meet monthly. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact any of the board members. Or if you have an idea of what you would like to see, speaker, project, or idea.

WWG on YouTube

One benefit of having Zoom meetings is that they can easily be recorded and uploaded for future viewing. In the future I’ll be more conscious of the recording and keep it on Speaker View instead of bouncing around randomly between views. You can view our first remote meeting here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nkL3OK1V-68

Facebook Group

Echoing Ron’s sentiments about staying connected, don’t forget we have a members-only Facebook group to share your work and post questions: https://www.facebook.com/groups/518977035179247/
Member Project Gallery

Post your completed or in-progress projects in our Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild Members group on Facebook or email them directly to Alex Leffelman for inclusion in the showcase!

Urn by Justin Gasal

Little Free Library by James Murphy

Butterfly House by Gary Shadley

Pens and Oval Veneer Box by David McBride

Carvings by Mark Scott
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Wisconsin / Northern IL Woodworking Clubs

- Badger Woodturners Club, Madison; First Tuesday of each month, 6:30pm. badgerwoodturners.org

- Blackhawk Carving Club, Wednesdays, 8:30 - 11am, Ken-Rock Community Center, 3218 11th St., Rockford, IL http://blackhawkcarving.com

- Capital Area Carvers, Madison, WI; Second Tuesday of each month, 7pm. capitalareacarversofwisconsin.org

- DuPage Woodworkers, Glen Ellyn, IL, Fourth Wednesday each month except July, 7pm. dupagewoodworkers.com.

- Fox Valley Woodworking Club, Batavia, IL; First Tuesday of each month, 7:30pm; fwwc.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

- 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@yahoogroup.com

- Mid-Wisconsin Chippers, Neenah, WI. First Sunday each month 1:30pm; mwchippers@gmail.com

- Milwaukee Area Woodturners (MAWt), metro-Milwaukee, WI. First Monday each month 6:30pm, Woodcraft of Milwaukee; mawturners.com

- Northeast Wisconsin Woodturners, Neenah, WI; Second Saturday, Sept. thru June, 9am. NEWWoodturners.org

- Northeastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild, Green Bay. Third Wednesday each month, 7pm. 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

- Rock River Valley Carvers, Janesville; First Thursday of each month, 7pm; 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

- Wilson Park Woodcarvers & Woodburners, 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

- Wisconsin River Woodcarvers, Wisconsin Rapids, Wednesdays, 6pm - 9pm, First Congregational Church, 311 2nd St. South www.wisconsinriverwoodcarvers.org

- Wisconsin Valley Woodturners, Wausau, WI; First Thursday of each month, 7pm.
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Friends of the Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild

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Cleveland, OH
(216) 631-5309
http://homesteadfinishingproducts.com/

**Rockler’s (The Woodworker’s Store):**
17300 W. Bluemound Road, Suite 500
Brookfield, WI 53045
(414) 302-1472

**Woodcraft:**
14115 W. Greenfield Ave
New Berlin, WI 53151
(262) 785-6700

**Neu’s Hardware Tools**
**Paint:**
N95W16915 Falls Parkway
Menomonee Falls, WI 53051
(262) 251-6550

**Woodline USA:**
(800) 472-6950

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Show your Guild Membership Card and enjoy a 10% discount on many items at Rockler’s, Woodcraft, and Woodline.
Contact store for details.

Donations - NOTICEx

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 advice. 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 above in this issue of RIPSRAW.