



# R. I. P. S. A. W.

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Ron Reuter  
 Guild President

## Ron's Ramblings

Hello Everyone,

Was that another excellent party or what? I always enjoy the "Christmas/Holiday Party". We get to mingle with everyone, enjoy good food and good entertainment and the members went out of their way to bring in great door prizes.

I couldn't believe all the gifts our members brought in. The quality of the gifts has surpassed anything I could have imagined. I think I'm going to start now on making some gifts for next year. It

might take me that long. If you're one of those who couldn't make it to the party, you really missed a great time. It was a typical Christmas event: you wait all year for it and it's over within a few hours.

Thanks to everyone who helped to make this a memorable party. Have a Happy and SAFE New Year. Hope to see you at the January meeting!

Work safe and share your hobby!

*Ron Reuter*

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## Reflections

Thanks to our honorable President for suggesting having a ventriloquist for this year's Holiday Party! His request sent me scouring everywhere I could think of and, lo and behold, I found the perfect answer right in our own backyard!



The show with Mike Robinson and Woody began with Mike demonstrating his superb mastery of the harmonica while Woody waited in the wings. Mike made a game out of it, pitting the guys against the gals in the audience to identify songs he played with only the first phrase. He also showed his mastery of playing two harmonicas at once as he held them with one on top if the other.



his appearance. After forty years of working together, Mike sometimes is led to believe that Woody has miraculously changed into human form. With that thought in mind, Mike called for Woody to come out of hiding. Of course, Woody doesn't do anything without Mike in complete control. So when reality finally set it, Mike went out to get his beloved playmate.

Mike wheeled Woody on stage sitting atop a chair that Mike had designed and built using PVC pipe. The chair had three levels: the top was where Woody sat, complete with a backrest and armrests; then there was a middle level where Mike's PA system sat along with other props; and then a bottom level for stability. Mike

It was then time for Woody to make

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## WWG Officers & Directors

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## Woodcraft Demonstrations

January 13: Dovetail Jigs - 1 PM  
January 20: Bandsaw Tune-Up - 1 PM

*All Woodcraft classes and demos are held at Woodcraft of Milwaukee: 14115 W. Greenfield Ave., New Berlin. For further details, contact them at 262-765-6770.*

**Special THANK YOU to Woodline who donated \$150 worth of router bits to our Raffle Prize fundraising!!**

## Friends of the Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild

**Homestead Finishing Products**, Cleveland, OH(216) 631-5309 www.homesteadfinishing.com

**Rockler's (The Woodworker's Store)** 1725 S 108th St, West Allis, (414) 774-1882

**Neu's Hardware Tools Paint**, N95W16915 Falls Parkway, Menomonee Falls, WI 53051, Phone: 262-251-6550

## Rockler Class Schedule - Tuition assessed

Compound Cut Snowman, Beginner Class with Matt Gatchell, January 6, 2018 at 1:00 PM

Rockler Compact Router Accessories with Matt Gatchell, January 8, 2018 at 4:00 PM

Turn a Wooden Bowl with Gary Datka, January 12, 2018 at 12:00 PM

Wood Lathe for Beginners with Gary Datka, January 14, 2018 at 11:00 AM

Turn a Wood Pen for Beginners with Gary Datka, January 17, 2018 at 5:00 PM

Bowl Making, Advanced Class, Parts 1 & 2 with Matt Gatchell, January 20, 2018 at 1:00 PM

Lathe Tool Sharpening with Gary Datka, January 28, 2018 at 11:00 AM

## Rockler Demonstrations

January 6: Table Saw Techniques - 11AM

January 13: Build it with Rockler - 11AM

January 20: Building Drawers & Doors - 11AM

January 27: Finishing Wood - 11AM.

*All Rockler classes and demos are held at Rockler Woodworking & Hardware, 1725 S 108th St., West Allis. For further details, call them at 414-774-1882.*

## Woodcraft Class Schedule - Tuition assessed

Woodworking for Women with Dan McClanahan, January 4, 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Introduction to the Scroll Saw with Dave Hansen, January 5, 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Basic Router Techniques with Dan McClanahan, January 11, 6 PM - 9 PM

Turning 101 - Spindle Turning with Marv Bollman, January 14, 10:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Basics of Stack Cutting on the Scroll Saw with Dave Hansen, January 19, 5 PM - 7 PM

Table Saw Fundamentals with Dan McClanahan, January 25, 6 PM - 9 PM

Hand Planes with Kevin Seigworth, January 27, 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM

**Woodcraft**, 14115 W. Greenfield Ave., New Berlin, WI 53151, Phone: (262) 785-6770

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

### MEMBER BENEFIT:

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

## Wisconsin Woodworkers' Guild Board Meeting Briefs

November 30, 2017

**ATTENDEES:** Ron Reuter, Jerry Anson, Don Doss, Leila Crandall-Frink, Ron Pederson, Jay Pilling, Dave Steingart, Andy Wagner, Greg Waldo, Jack Zbiegien, Sr.

**TREASURY:** \$8,440.45 balance as of 11-30-17.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Current membership is 108. 56 members have paid their 2018 dues as of 11-30-2017. There were 59 members present at the 11-02-17 meeting.

**NOTES:** Woodline donated quality router bits for Guild fundraising. Changes to RIPS AW and the website were requested and discussed. Follow-up for sponsorships sold but not finalized was reviewed. Additional family membership dues wording was reviewed and clarified. Dues are clarified as \$35 for the first member and \$15 for each additional member residing in the same household. A chairlift for the steps was donated to the Guild and is being reviewed.

*Respectfully Submitted, Jack Zbiegien, Sr.*

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had also crafted a screen between the top and center levels to conceal what was on the middle level.

Mike began his performance with Woody by suggesting they sing a song. They debated about who was to sing and decided to let the audience decide. Mike sang first – purposely singing monotone. Woody sang next and did a superb job. Then Mike put it to a vote – Woody won hands down! Their act continued with a mix of song and dialogue and included an amazing stunt of Woody playing the harmonica! Mike and Woody closed their performance with Woody singing and dancing around the room to music played on Mike's PA system, a fitting conclusion to a very entertaining display of Mike's talents.

Knowing how hungry Woody would be after such a grueling performance, President Ron Reuter and Program Director Jay Pilling lovingly prepared two plates of 'food' for him. The plate

prepared by Ron was the main course which included some box elder, a side order of a black walnut mix and a maple snack sprinkled with a dash of 'blood wood'. As Ron described it, the plate contained all four food, er, wood groups! Jay's plate was dessert – maple wood so Woody could taste the maple within, and black walnut for the crunch of nuts – both items that Woody would be sure to enjoy. Thanks, guys!



Thanks so much Mike and Woody for an excellent show. You have created a very entertaining package displaying your wide variety of talents, Mike. Having now been able to witness your show, I can fully appreciate why you receive rave reviews after all your performances!

*Respectfully submitted, Don Doss*

### **2018 DUES ARE DUE JANUARY 1, 2018**

A grace period of 30 days gives you until February 1, 2018 (the date of the February meeting). Dues paid after that date will be in arrears and **renewal will cost you an extra \$5!** Save five bucks and spend it on something useful - like some wood or a new tool! Why the push? The membership roster is published in February. If you're not paid up, you won't be listed! (And you won't be able to take advantage of the 10% discounts offered to members at Rockler, Woodcraft and Woodline!)

### **CALLING ALL WOULD-BE JOURNALISTS**

Your R.I.P.S.A.W. editors are ALWAYS looking for articles that will inform and/or entertain our members - especially if you're the author! If you have anything for publication in R.I.P.S.A.W. please send to both Leila Crandall-Frink (leila.frink@gmail.com) and Don Doss (FourPartHarmony@att.net). E-mail is preferred. However you can also submit your printed or hand-written copy to either of us at a meeting. And if you have Microsoft Publisher and you'd like to try your hand at publishing our newsletter for a month, please let us know!

### For Sale

Offered by Jerry Anson—414-453-4537

**Grizzly G9247 MINI Lathe**, 1/3 HP Motor, Variable speed 0-4500 RPM, 6“ dia over bed, 14.5” between centers, with many drives, chucks etc, included. Asking \$225 or best offer.

**Delta LA 200 MIDI Lathe**, 1 HP Motor, Variable speed 500—3700 RPM (Manual belt change), 10” diameter over bed, 16” between centers (homemade oak bed extension available), Spindle taper MT2, Includes Buck lathe tools. Asking \$350 or best offer. Please contact Jerry Anson.

### For sale items now on WWG Website

Please check out our 'For Sale' page(s) on the WWG Website which is updated regularly. Go to <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*

### **Woodworking Clubs in Wisconsin and Northern Illinois**

- Badger Woodturners Club, Madison; First Tuesday of each month, 6:30pm. badgerwoodturners.org
- 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; fvwwc.org
- Kettle Karvers Club, Plymouth, WI; First Wednesday each month, 6:30pm; 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.
- 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 Senior Center Woodcarvers, Milwaukee, Wednesdays, 8:30am - Noon 282-5566
- Wisconsin Valley Woodturners, Wausau, WI; First Thursday of each month, 7pm. wisconsinvalleywoodturners.org
- Wisconsin Wood Turner (WWT), AAW Member, Eric Meigs, President, wisconsinwoodturner.com, First Saturday each month, 9am, Woodcraft of Milwaukee, Lower Level.

The above information is provided for reference. If you would like to attend a meeting, be sure to contact the club for confirmation. Also, if you spot any errors or changes, please send corrections to Don Doss at FourPartHarmony@att.net. Thank you!

### **FROM THE LIBRARY**

With Ron's help, I hope to finish the new book cataloging system this winter. Stay tuned!

We still have a number of older magazines that are worthless if they're not in your own library. Unlike the newer magazines in our library, these older magazines, while still filled with tons of useful information, are **FREE** to our members!

Our cabinets are getting full and the extra weight is starting to cause them to show their age. Ron hopes to present a new cabinet design to the board. Once approved, he'll be looking for help to build them (hint, hint!).

*Chris Reuter, Librarian*

### **December Raffle Winner**

And the winner of the four dies with a \$50.00 donation is Jerry Anson!!!

Congratulations Jerry - and thanks for your donation as well as those from the other bidders!

The Christmas Elves surprised Chief Toy Maker, Norm Lange, with a 'Thank You' Party! Here's a picture from Larry Teufel to commemorate the event, as well as some he took of this year's amazing production.



## **SILENT AUCTION**

Be sure to check out all the new treasures Jim has put out for January. Going, going, GONE!!

Items in the auction are donated by members and friends of the Guild. Smaller items can be brought in; items too large to bring in will have a picture and detailed description.

Bidding is open to members and non-members. Items will be awarded to the highest bidder. Any donated item that doesn't receive bids by break-time of the second meeting will either be moved to the monthly raffle program or returned to the donor.

Proceeds from the auction go directly to the Guild to help cover the cost of educational activities such as workshops, seminars, lectures and exhibits.

## **LOCAL WORKSHOP TOURS CONTINUING**

Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild is continuing to tour member's woodworking shops. Thanks to Jim Matthew for stepping up to do the video recording and to Jay Pilling for organizing everything. Currently, Jay has five of our members who have already had their shops toured.

Recordings of the tours will be shown at upcoming WWG meeting. The first recording to be shown will be of Jim Schlarb's shop which will happen at our January meeting. This presentation will be using a format that will allow questions from the audience during the playback. If necessary, the playback will be stopped to address questions.

For security reasons, recordings will NOT be made part of anything that goes outside the Guild. That limitation is specifically directed at any possibility of it going on the Internet. It won't!!

Touring of club-member workshops have been suggested by many members. Thanks to the number of members who have volunteered their shops for touring, it is conceivable that this may be an ongoing project. Tours of a few workshops might take place each year during the spring through fall timeframe and then shown at a January, February or March meeting. Although seeing a shop that is impeccably appointed will likely be of interest, the primary goal is to provide insight so that our members who may have limited space and/or limited resources can discover ways they can enjoy this wonderful hobby within their limitations. If you have any suggestions, please talk to Jay.

*Respectfully, Your Board of Directors*

# Woodworking Show

# March 9-11, 2018



**NEW LOCATION & FREE PARKING** at:  
Milwaukee County Sports Complex  
6000 W Ryan Road  
Franklin, WI 53132

Ticket Price is \$14 General Admission at the door, cash only or \$12 General Admission if purchased online (\$2 discount) \*One ticket is valid for all three days of the show. Paid Education Seminar tickets include general admission. Tickets will be available online about 30 days before the show.

Show Hours:  
Friday - 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM  
Saturday - 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM  
Sunday - 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM



You can check it out at: <http://www.thewoodworkingshows.com/milwaukee.html>

Submitted by Tom Hipsak



## KETTLE KARVERS KLUB

### 28th Annual Wood Carving Show Saturday April 21, 2018 10 am to 4pm

**Lakers Ice Center 1202 S. Wildwood Ave.  
Sheboygan, WI**

**Admission \$2.00 Adults, Kids 12 and under FREE**

See original wood carvings and visit with the carvers

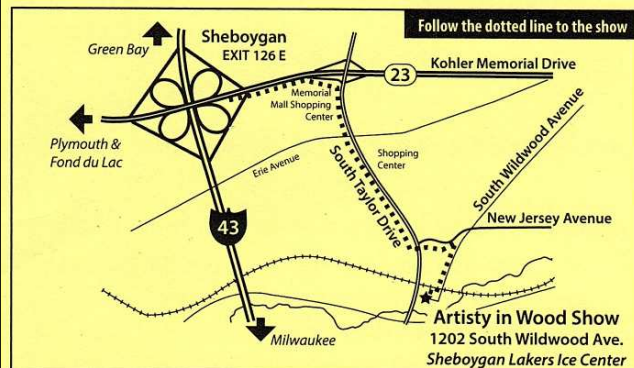
Free Carving Demonstrations 11am and 1pm

Free Kids Carve Opportunities

Carving Wood Vendor and Tool Sales

Food and Beverage Sales on-site

For information contact:  
Bob Lawrence 920-458-4947, bob.dee@att.net  
Henry Meller 920-459-8773, hthreecreations@gmail.com  
Bob Wallace 920-918-4006, bob\_wallace1@att.net



[www.kettlekarvers.org](http://www.kettlekarvers.org)

## FREE LISTING!

Does your club have a special event coming up in Wisconsin or northern Illinois? If so, let us know! Send the announcement by e-mail to both Leila Crandall-Frink at [leila.frink@gmail.com](mailto:leila.frink@gmail.com) and Don Doss at [fourpartharmony@att.net](mailto:fourpartharmony@att.net). Or give us a type-written or hand-written note with all the details at a meeting.

Of course, we reserve the right to edit what you provide but we'll clear it with you before going to 'press' to be sure it includes all pertinent details.

## PSST!!!

For those who may have connections with other groups who might enjoy having Mike and Woody perform for them, here's Mike's contact information:



"Woody"

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**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**  
Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild

- ❖ Good Fellowship
- ❖ Education
- ❖ Exchange of Knowledge
- ❖ Amateurs
- ❖ Professionals

**Meetings (except August & December)**  
 First Thursday of each month. 6:30 – 8:30 PM  
 Woodcraft of Milwaukee – lower level  
 14115 W. Greenfield Ave.  
 New Berlin, WI 53151

**Renewal dues for individuals: \$35.00/yr.**  
**Renewal dues for add'l household members: \$15.00/ea.**  
Renewals submitted after Feb 1<sup>st</sup>, add \$5.00

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Add'l Household Members: \_\_\_\_\_

New address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address (where the newsletter is to be sent): \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been a woodworker? \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about WWG? [ ]Friend [ ]Internet [ ]Woodworking Show [ ]Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make checks payable to Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild**  
 Send completed form with check to:  
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**PLEASE SHARE YOUR SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE & EXPERIENCE!**

Without the volunteer efforts of our members, Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild would not exist. You can increase the value of your membership by working with us in the day-to-day operations of our organization. If you have skills, knowledge or experience to share, please don't hesitate to offer your services. Here are a few areas to consider:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Publications (RIPSAW, tri-fold, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibits                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter material (photography, articles) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workshop                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Library                                     |
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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.**

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| Jan 4, 2018 | Video presentation of Jim Schlarb's shop. We are indebted to Jim for allowing us to videotape his shop and also to Jim Matthew for doing the video recording and editing. |
| Feb 1, 2018 | Dying and wood finishing techniques by Ron Zdroik. More details in next month's R.I.P.S.A.W. Stay tuned!  |