Hello Everyone:

Jerry Anson did it again! I would have never thought it possible to make your own veneer but Jerry showed us how. When I looked at the cut off piece that was sent around it looked complicated and yet simple once you knew the secret. The jig he made seemed to be a must when it came to gluing the pieces together. This opens up a whole new area of wood working for me. Different ideas go running through my mind. The only problem with this is now I want to try it but wonder when I think I'm going to have the time. That actually has been the problem with all the presenters we've had this year, I don't have the time I think I have to try this stuff. In any event, "Thank You Jerry", for another very informative presentation.

On a final note. The "Holiday party" is coming up so fill out your form and reserve your spot. Meyer's Restaurant, Dec. 3rd.

Work safe and share your hobby!

Ronald Reuter

Ron’s Ramblings

Reflections

At our September, 2015 meeting of WWG, we were privileged to, once again, enjoy the splendid results of member Jerry Anson’s work as he walked us through the making of a veneered box. Before he began, though, he related an experience which is sure to have hit a chord with some of the audience. His experience took place in an unlikely setting—a dentist’s office.

Jerry was having a dental issue one morning and, not having a regular dentist, he called Dental Associates which had an office a few blocks away. The dentist had an opening that afternoon at 3:30PM. Upon sitting in the dentist chair and exchanging a few pleasantries, the dentist asked what Jerry did for a living. Jerry stated that he was retired and that he now spends most of his time doing woodworking. A startled look came over the dentist’s face whereupon he jumped up and rushed out of the room. A moment later he returned with a magazine.

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

Your membership in Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild runs out on December 31, 2015. Renew now so you won’t miss a single issue of R.I. P.S.A.W. Our editors spend countless hours making sure each issue is a valuable resource, not only for recapping the previous month’s speaker, but also to keep you informed on all that your Guild is doing for you, for your hobby, and for our area.

Renewing is easy. Just fill out the Renewal Form on page 7 and send with your check for $35.00 made payable to WWG. You can also pay by cash or check at a meeting. Don’t delay! Fill out the Form and write your check NOW!

**Rockler Class Schedule - Tuition assessed**

- Bowl Turning w. Gary, Oct 2, 12:30pm - 5pm
- One-way Sharpening System w. Gary, Oct 3, 12pm - 3pm
- Cabinet Building 1/5 w. Pete, Oct 17, 9am - Noon
- Scroll Saw Box 1/2 w. Matt, Oct 17, 1pm - 2pm
- Intermediate Scroll Saw w. Matt, Oct 21, 10:30am - 11:30am
- Wood Pen Turning w. Gary, Oct 23, Noon - 3pm
- Cabinet Building 2/5 w. Pete, Oct 24, 9am - Noon
- Lidded Box Turning w. Gary, Oct 24, 9:30am - 4pm
- Scroll Saw Box 2/2 w. Matt, Oct 24, 1pm - 5pm
- Cabinet Building 3/5 w. Pete, Oct 31, 9am - Noon

**Rockler Demonstrations**

- 10/3 Work Smart Day: Knife Making - 11AM
- 10/10 What’s Turning Day: Nova Lathe Pen Turning - 11AM
- 10/17 Rockler Innovation Day: Steam Bending Kit - 11AM
- 10/24 21st Century Woodworking Day: CNC Shark Full Spectrum Laser - 11AM
- 10/31 Rockler Innovation Day: Cribbage Board - 11AM

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

**Woodcraft Class Schedule - Tuition assessed**

- Rough to Ready Lumber Dimensioning w/Dan, Th, Oct 8 & Tu Oct 13, 6 PM - 9 PM
- Woodworking for Women II w/Dan, Tu, Oct 13 & Th, Oct 22, 6 PM - 9:00 PM
- Band Saw Box w/Tom, Th, Oct 15, 6 PM - 9 PM
- Basic Lathe 101 w/Mark Sun, Oct 18, 10:30 AM - 3:30 PM & Tu, Oct 20, 6 PM - 9 PM
- Basics of Woodworking w/Chris Tu, Oct 20, Tu, Oct 27 & Tu Nov 3, 6 PM - 9 PM
- Let’s Turn a Pen w/Melanie Th, Oct 29, 6 PM - 9 PM

**Woodcraft Demonstrations**

- Decorative Inlay Techniques w/Jeff Miller, Sat, Oct 3, 9:30 - Noon
- Incorporating Curves in Furniture w/Jeff Miller, Sat, Oct 3, 1 PM - 3:30 PM
- Bandsaw Blades & Fences for Resawing w/Chris, Sat, Oct 10, 1 PM - 2 PM
- Caricature Carving w/Frank Penne, Sat, Oct 31, Noon - 2 PM

For further details, call Woodcraft: 262-765-6770. Woodcraft is located at 14115 W. Greenfield Ave., New Berlin
Showing a picture to Jerry, the dentist anxiously asked, “Can you make this for me?”

As Jerry now advises, be careful what you say when you go to a dentist!

Jerry’s presentation provided a detailed view of how to make a veneered box. He started by discussing some of the tools he uses in making the box. Jerry owns a Sears bandsaw which he bought about 15 years ago. He is a strong proponent of the Timberwolf blade since the teeth are cut with a laser, unlike most other blades which are stamped. He has a 1/8” blade and a ¼” blade, 4 TPI. He hasn’t had a need for going to a wider blade.

As a matter of interest, Jerry uses a 42T carbide blade is his table saw. He uses this for ripping and crosscutting.

The construction of the veneered box starts with making the veneer. He resaws the various shades of wood using the bandsaw and then sandwiches the pieces of wood to make the desired pattern.

He uses a custom-made press to hold them in place while the glue dries. After allowing 24 hours for the glue to dry, he goes back to the bandsaw and slices 1/16”-wide strips. He then cuts the ends off a few strips – some at right angles and some at 45 degrees. Using two mirrors set on ends at 90 degrees, he plays with the strips to develop the pattern he wants. The mirrors allow him to work with only a quarter of the pattern since the mirrors create the other three quarters.

Once the desired pattern has been achieved, the strips are cut and assembled to create the desired pattern in such a way that all sides of the box are created as one piece. Now it’s time to add the base wood to the box. Jerry uses ½” ply for the sides and ¼” for the top and bottom. The veneer is laminated to the base wood using Cold Press Veneer Glue and a vacuum press.

Jerry applies the finish to the box before assembly – both inside and out. He uses Hand Rubbed Wipe On Poly – Clear Satin – full strength. He wipes on two coats, sanding between coats with 320-grit sandpaper.

Thanks, Jerry, for an excellent presentation! Be sure to review the pictures on page 6.

Respectfully Submitted, Don Doss

Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild Board Briefs – September 3, 2015

Attendees: Ron Reuter, Greg Waldo, Jay Pilling, Don Doss, Kevin Seigworth, Ken Ochs, and Andy Wagner (late arrival).

Treasury Balance: $6,074

Membership: Paid 2015 membership is at 115.

Secretary: Fifty-eight (58) members/guests attended the September meeting.

Other:

1. The need for more space at the December dinner for attendees and toys was discussed. It was pointed out that bringing all the toys to the dinner makes it easier to split them up according to the needs of each receiving shelter.
2. Kevin Seigworth brought one of the new lanyards for name tags. They will be easier to use than the present pin-on tags, but we’re still searching for the best way to store them.
3. A couple of available display cases were discussed. One would require a base to be made. Also, permission must be obtained from Woodcraft to bring a display case into our meeting area.
4. A reminder that all items for publication in the Ripsaw should be sent to both Leila Crandall-Frink (leila.frink@gmail.com) and Don Doss (FourPartHarmony@att.net).

Respectfully Submitted,
Ken Ochs

POINTS TO PONDER:

- You know, I spent a fortune on deodorant before I realized that people didn’t like me anyway.
- I thought about making a fitness movie for folks my age and call it 'Pumping Rust'.
- The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a replacement.
WWG CALENDAR

October 2nd - Friday Meeting - Jeff Miller, Furniture Design - see below for info on Jeff

November 5th - Kevin Seigworth: Kevin will present and demo all you need to know to get razor sharp edges on your tools. The process Kevin will review can be applied with any of the hand sharpening systems including water stones, oil stones, diamond plates and sandpaper on glass.

December 3rd - Christmas Party & Christmas Toy Distribution: Meyer’s Restaurant, 4260 S. 76th St., Greenfield, WI. Three entrances to parking: one off 76th Street just north of Walgreens, the second off Cold Spring Road just east of Walgreens, and the third off Forest Home Avenue.

Please submit your thoughts and ideas to Jay for programs you’d like to see in the future, either for one of our meetings or as a field trip. Jay is currently working on booking presentations on Native American Flutes, Canes, and Hand-Tool-Made Chairs. You won’t want to miss any of these! Many of the techniques used in these presentations can be applied to projects you’re currently working on or those you’re contemplating for the future.

Respectfully submitted, Jay Pilling, Program Chairman

Jeff Miller

Jeff Miller is a designer, craftsman, prolific writer and an active teacher both at his own woodworking school in Chicago http://www.furnituremaking.com/, and at furniture schools around the country. His furniture has won numerous awards, has been in shows around the country, and is in the collection of the Chicago History Museum. His book, Chairmaking and Design, won the Stanley award for Best-How-To Book of 1997. He has also written the books, The Foundations of Better Woodworking, Beds, and Children’s Furniture Projects. Jeff is a frequent contributor to Fine Woodworking and Popular Woodworking Magazine.

The Milwaukee Woodcraft store is sponsoring Jeff’s visit to Milwaukee on October 2 and 3. On Friday evening at 7 PM Jeff will present on the topic of furniture design at the Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild meeting which is held in the lower level at Woodcraft. All are welcome to attend this presentation as a guest of the Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild. On Saturday, Jeff will be in the Woodcraft store and will demo decorative inlay techniques in the morning and incorporating curves into your furniture work in the afternoon.

Raffle and Door Prizes

Raffle winners were: George Egenhoefer, Bill Godfrey, Shawna Henderson, Ron Pederson, Jay Pilling (2!), Ron Reuter, Larry Teufel & Andy Wagner. Larry chose the steel tool stand which he used to construct a sanding station, pictured. Congratulations, Larry, and all the winners!

Door Prize winners were: George Egenhoefer, Randy Jacques, Mike Mitten, Jim Murphy & Ron Reichert. Congratulations to all the winners!

Guests:
Art Boettcher
Jerry Hiley

New member:
Tim Vlasis

Christmas Party, December 3
$22.00/person, reserve your seats now!
Please bring the door prizes you’ve created to either the October or November Guild meetings.

Great food,
great service,
great entertainment,
great fun!

Woodworker of the Year

The winner of this award for 2014 was Jim Schlarb. Who will win this coveted award for 2015? Please bring your nomination to our October meeting.
Fall Art Tour
October 16-18, 2015
10am - 6pm
Mineral Point • Spring Green • Dodgeville • Baraboo
The third full weekend each October, some of Wisconsin’s best-known artisans open their studios, allowing visitors a unique, behind-the-scenes view into how their work is created. These artists include painters, sculptors, potters, weavers, jewelers, woodworkers, mixed-media artists and more. The Tour draws visitors from all over the country! More details at http://fallarttour.com.

Toy Making News
Our Christmas Elves have been hard at work for several weeks, both in their own shops as well as on Monday’s from 9am until about 2pm at Woodcraft. Members who wish to participate in this endeavor are encouraged to show up. Members who are working on their own and need parts, should contact Norm Lange by phone at 920-474-7183 or by e-mail at glfinman@wi.rr.com.

SHOW ‘N TELL

Jim Schlarb
Al Herwig
George Egenhoefer
Greg Waldo
Jay Pilling
Klaus Zunker
Jerry Anson’s Laminated Box
RENEWAL FORM
Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild

Meetings (usually)
First Thursday of each month. 7:00 – 9:00 PM
Woodcraft – lower level
14115 W. Greenfield Ave.
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