

SUSQUEHANNA TRAIL WOODWORKERS GUILD

APRIL NEWSLETTER

MEETING DATE: April 27 2006

PLACE: Agricultural & Industrial Museum of York

TIME: 7:00

PROGRAM: Speaker: Dennis Kunkle
Topic: Making a Grease box

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Two things this time. We will be holding elections this meeting. I hope that everyone will come as this is an important function. We must have as many people as possible participating in making the Guild a useful organization both to members and the community.

As was mentioned at the last meeting, this is the place to bring your woodworking problems. We have a wealth of knowledge in our group and this is a good way to share it.

Ray

LAST MONTH'S MEETING



Our speaker last month was Bob Aspey. Bob talked about and demonstrated how to do glazing to highlight or antique a project. He showed different types of glazing products and how to apply them. Bob also showed how to create different effects by adding darker colors with tools like a toothbrush, old paintbrushes or a rag. Bob stressed that you need to practice on a scrap piece of wood before putting the finish on your project.

THIS MONTH'S MEETING

Dennis Kunkle will be talking and demonstrating how to make a grease box. Dennis says a grease box in the 19th C. would be found in any mechanic's toolbox. Back then; a mechanic was anybody who put things together; i.e. assembling a windmill, installing a well pump, etc. Since we don't really use grease boxes anymore, I have substituted beeswax for the grease. Beeswax is useful in the wood shop for lubricating screws (don't use soap; it corrodes steel), plus quilters use beeswax for their needles. My box is an exact copy of one in the collection of the museum. It is an inexpensive project that incorporates many woodworking procedures. The one on my workbench is half empty from use.

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Push Sticks

At last months meeting we talked about and showed different types of Push Sticks. Below is an article copied from the WOODZONE.COM web site.

This simple safety tool will help you keep all of your fingers safe when working around your router table or table saw.

When working around the blades of your table saw or router table a slip could mean disaster. Push sticks and Push Blocks are intended to take some of this danger away from your fingers. They allow you to rip and shape smaller pieces of stock with a greater level of safety. There are a number of commercial push sticks and push block available, but it is just as easy to make one.

There is not just one ideal shape or size. This varies from woodworker to woodworker, machine to machine, and application to application. There are three basic designs that you can customize to meet your needs. Make your push sticks and blocks from straight, clean, hardwood. Plywood is preferable since it is less likely to split, warp, or crack. Round the handles to prevent splinters.

Push Stick

The push stick is useful for feeding narrow stock between a featherboard and a fence. It is usually designed at a 45 degree angle with a small notch at the end. The push stick allows you to apply a great deal of downward and forward pressure.

Rectangular Push Stick

The rectangular push stick is used to apply greater downward pressure on wider stock.

Push Block

The push block is ideal for shaping or jointing applications. It allows you to apply a great deal of downward and forward pressure.



Push Stick



Rectangular Push Stick



Push Block

NEED MORE WOODWORKING ?

Several of our members have been traveling to the Woodcraft store in Harrisburg on the 4th Tuesday of every month to attend their woodworking club meetings. If you would like to carpool to the meeting or would like more information about the club, see Ray or Bob Aspey

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SHOW AND TELL



Left- Open segmented vase by Dean Swagert. This vase is constructed of over 700 pieces of Wenge, Maple and Bloodwood.

Right_ Walnut chest by Tom Elledge. Tom said this was his practice piece before attempting a bigger chest.



Left- Bandsaw Cherry box by Bob Aspey. Bob made this box from scrap wood in one day.



Shaving mirror by Dennis Kunkle. Notice the construction of the secret draw on the front of the mirror. Dennis donated this mirror to the Museum's Celebrity Auction.



Beautiful turned, carved and inlaid box and magnifying glass by Ralph Dermoda



Right- Segmented vases by Mike Galloway. Cherry with woodburned and carved design ring and the other one is English Brown Oak and Maple



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