

FEBRUARY 2012

NEWSLETTER

Meeting Date: February 23, 2012

**PLACE: Agricultural & Industrial Museum
217 W Princess St., York PA 7403**

TIME: 7:00 PM

PROGRAM: The Art of Woodturning

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Here we are pretty well through winter and we've had very little snow. It won't be long until we can get our seeds planted and wait for the bounties from our gardens. I have a rather large garden which takes up a lot of my time and that reduces the "sawdust making" time. I had lots of ideas for winter shop projects and, you know, not much got done!

We had five guests plus our speaker and his wife, Allen's son along with a decent turn out of members at our last meeting. That was a good sign for a productive year. We are going to get more organized with Show and Tell and getting the names of guests so that Dennis won't have to

scramble to get the information for Julie for the newsletter. I am working on a resources list to replace our suppliers and sponsors which are getting free advertising. That will come out next month! Guys, we need programs for the summer and fall, so help us out with ideas. AND, if any of you would like to do a program (wood related), please let the officers know. Also, please work on your name badges and bring a small notebook to the meeting so you can take notes!

See you at the meeting and bring a guest!

Palmer

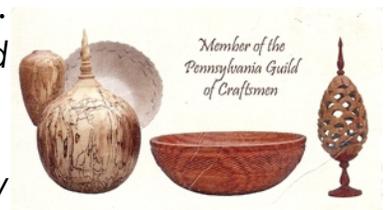
THIS MONTH'S MEETING

We are pleased to present Don Wilson as our speaker at the February meeting. Don is a self taught wood turner with an interest toward the more artistic aspect of turned wood objects. He is currently the president of the South Central PA Woodturners. He is retired and lives in Spry. Over the years Don has made blanket chests, articulated toys, a wide variety of clock cases and furniture for the house.

Most of the wood he uses is native hardwood and is reclaimed from storm blow downs and due to diseases that trees acquire. This gives the wood a more interesting appearance in many instances. Much of the wood is turned green initially.

Don enjoys making a memorable item out of a piece of wood from a tree that grew on a property and has a meaning for the person owning the tree. Heritage trees provide stories related to the people living on the land and a time in history.

Don has been influenced by the southwest Indian styles of pottery making and you will see that in many of the pieces that he makes. Nature around us provides art forms in the way of seed pods, plant bulbs and other naturally occurring shapes.



We hope to see you at the meeting to learn some new techniques from Don.

LAST MONTH'S MEETING

The election of the new officers became official at the last meeting. We welcome Palmer as the new leader and are excited about the year ahead. Palmer has asked for your input, so don't be shy, let him know what speakers you would like to see at future meetings. Joie Henney is a new officer and will serve as First Vice President. Dennis Kunkle returns to service as the Second Vice President. Do not hesitate to help out at the meetings. There are many little tasks that need to be done. It takes the entire group to make our meetings successful!

We also want to thank YOU for paying your dues at the January meeting. Allen Brittell should be busy updating the records for the Guild and we thank him for continuing to serve as Treasurer!

Finally we owe a BIG

THANK YOU

to Mark Bortner who joins the ranks as former President. We appreciate Mark's efforts and know that he will continue to support the Guild in many ways. Your service to the Guild, Mark, was greatly appreciated! I thought they would be passing the gavel, however this looks a lot like a rubber belt.

Hint.....Maybe someone needs to make a gavel for the Guild and we



won't have to pass the belt!



Last month we were delighted to have Dennis Wilt of Mastercraft Pattern Works as our speaker. We learned how wooden patterns are the basis or the beginning of most metal casting. Dennis is shown here with a core print. We have a greater appreciation of



the amount of work that goes into the crafting of these castings. Shown to the left are samples and some of the tools of the trade. We appreciate Dennis sharing the craftsmanship and this information with the Guild!



Do you remember meeting any of these visitors at the meeting. One photo does not have any visitors in it.



SHOW & TELL





Previous Page - Just in time for "tax season", Palmer Burke has made this illusion that really speaks about what happens when we pay our taxes. You insert your money and it goes into the box but guess what, you can't see it even when you turn the box around. This looks like magic but it works because of the mirror used in the construction. Put your money in and just like taxes you no longer see it!



This cabinet (made by Sellers - not Hoosier) was Jack Knapp's mother in laws. She used it for many years. Then it was stored for about 25 years. When she passed, Jack's wife inherited it. He removed all the paint, repaired it to working order, then repainted it using oil paint. The colors selected were based on the original colors on the cabinet. We learned that the name "Hoosier cabinet" was a generic name for this type of cabinet and that they were very useful in the kitchen in days past.



Did you know you can view all of Roy Underhill's **Woodwright Shop** online at PBS? Starting with the 2006-2007 season through the current year: This is the link to the videos:

<http://www.pbs.org/woodwrightshop/video/3100/index.html>



Newer member Bob Patterson submitted these photos highlighting the manufacturing of the Morgan car from the Morgan



Manufacturing Company. He said it might be an interesting new project for you especially if you are bored with your usual creations!



Al Herhner (he spoke to the Guild about spinning wheels) made these ornaments. These are on display and for sale at an antique shop located in New Oxford. He said he's been very busy and is currently working on a "stand-up" desk for his son's chiropractic office. I guess we won't be seeing Al for a while.



We try to share all of the offers that the Guild gets because of the website. This is one of the more interesting ones: if you guys might be interested in using some of this Western Juniper (Cypress Family) for furniture or household projects? The attached photo shows some samples of the different sizes I hunt for in the woods. Those in the photo have had the bark removed with a pressure washer, using regular faucet water. A wholesale price list can be found here on my website:

<http://juniperguy.com/>

15 years in business. Thank-you for your time, Bruce.

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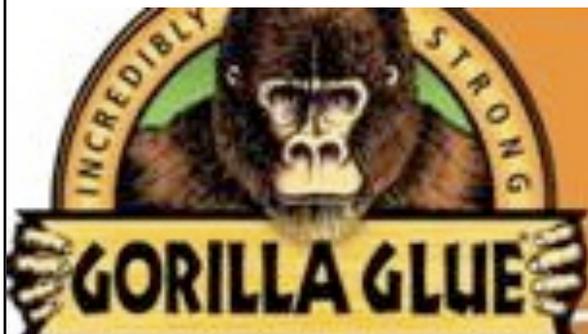
Visit: www.stwg.org

Have you checked out the "Links" page on the website? Do you have a favorite site that should be added to this listing? If you do, please let the Newsletter Editor know and it will be added so that you can share this information with all the members of the Guild.

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We had something special for you at the last meeting concerning Gorilla Glue. Unfortunately, someone forgot all about it. Bring your comments (have you used it, what is your experience with it or perhaps you have never tried it) to the meeting and learn what Gorilla Glue has in store for you! If someone forgets about it this month - please remind them by shouting out "**Gorilla Glue**".



KARDEX Lektreiver

UPDATE!

We have received a

THANK YOU

from the York County Heritage Trust for the recent donation making the second Kardex possible for the Trust. Ray Parson and Ralph Dermota have been busy sorting through the boxes of wood planes that the museum has in its collection. They will be busy with this for some time. Then the task of building the display will begin. Don't forget the Guild will have space available in this unit for the display of objects created and crafted by our members. Please review your best projects, if you would like to have your work safely displayed for the public's enjoyment, now is the time to let Dennis Kunkle know what you have. The display should be in place for approximately 6 months. There is a size restriction. At the next meeting you will be able to view the Kardex and see the spacing available as the installation has been completed! The display of Guild's objects will probably take place in about 4 months.

January 20, 2012

Susquehanna Trail Woodworkers Guild
c/o Dennis Kunkle
442 West Philadelphia Street
York, PA 17404

Dear Susquehanna Trail Woodworkers Guild Members:

Preserving our heritage for future generations is one of the most important tasks that we face today. Thank you for your most generous donation of \$1,235.00 on 1/10/2012 to cover half the cost to dismatle, move and reassemble a Lektreiver for our Agricultural and Industrial Museum. The York County Heritage Trust strives to use our substantial collections – paper and material – to teach the rich history of York County. Your contribution helps implement our mission.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and members of the York County Heritage Trust, please accept our deep appreciation for your generosity.

Again, thank you for your wonderful support of YCHT.

Sincerely,



Joan J. Mummert
President/CEO

We are most appreciative
of your generous contribution
that helps us showcase the
important history of York
County. Thank you!

The York County Heritage Trust is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation under Internal Revenue Service regulations; therefore, your contribution is tax-deductible to the extent provided by law. We suggest you keep this letter for your tax records. Also, IRS regulations require us to state that we did not provide any goods or services to you in consideration of your contribution.

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