

JANUARY 2009



NEWSLETTER

Meeting Date: January 22, 2009

**PLACE: Agricultural & Industrial Museum
217 W Princess St., York, PA 17404**

TIME: 7:00 PM

**PROGRAM: Andrew Del Moore
Black & Decker Training Representative**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I kicked off the new year by adding a third workbench in my shop. For storage space above it, I dug around on my second floor and found an old three door cabinet that was the perfect size, although totally disassembled. Thirty years ago I had marked all the pieces with masking tape, so it was a simple matter of reassembly. Simple? Ha! The maple sides and shelves were badly warped, so I made a new carcass out of birch plywood. That only left attaching the facade to the carcass. Not wanting to face nail through the maple facade into the plywood end grain, I broke down and finally bought a Kreg pocket hole jig. C.H. Wilke had the basic entry level jig in stock, along with the production models, and I must admit that it is a slick way to fasten wood. Am I the last person in the Guild to have discovered this accessory?

Dennis

THIS MONTH'S MEETING

This month's speaker will be Andrew Del Moore. He is the training representative with Black & Decker. He will be demonstrating four new products that Black & Decker now has available.

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Attend this meeting to learn more about these exciting new products.

LAST MONTH'S MEETING

The Guild had another enjoyable visit to the home of Ray Parsons for the Holiday Open House. Members of STWG and SAW-PA got together in December and enjoyed Ray's gracious hospitality!

WOODWORK'S SawDust Cafe 2008 WINNERS

Many thanks to Judy Franks from Woodworks for providing us with a complete listing of the STWG members that had winning entries in this years SawDust Cafe.

Furniture:

1st place - Dennis Kunkle - 1/3 scale, William & Mary lowboy. Walnut primary wood and poplar secondary. 10 1/2"H, 14"W, 8"D. Measurements were taken from Lester Margon's American Furniture Treasures 1949.

1st place - Tom Elledge - Queens Ann chest. Made out of cherry. I got the plans out of Shop Smith magazine. The drawers are made out of Ash and dovetailed. It is 3 foot wide and 1 and 22 inches wide. Standing 3 foot four inches x two inches.

3rd place - Allen Mark Brittel - 22" high end table

Turned:

1st place - Mike Galloway - vessel

Decorative:

1st place - RJ Parsons - Art deco mirror

2nd place - Mike Galloway - Indian head bust carved in basswood

2nd - Gary Bretz - A jewelry/ keepsake box. Cherry wood 21"h, 10"w, 7"d. looks somewhat like the old highboy dresser. has dovetailed face frames, small raised panel doors on upper section, sun rise carving inside doors when open, S type moldings on very top with a turned finial. There is a small drawer in the back. Also has all hand made hardware except for drop pulls on lower doors they were casted by Londonderry brass. This was my own idea and made my own plans.

We thank WoodWorks for hosting the 2008 show here in York and look forward to the 2009 show in November.

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NEW BOOK FOR THE LIBRARY

Dennis Kunkle received an e-mail from Spike Carlsen regarding the release of his latest book (see copy below). The book sounded very intriguing so a call was placed to Border's Book and a copy was ordered. The book will be presented to the Guild's Library at the January meeting. Dennis has been enjoying this book since it's arrival as it is very interesting. We know you will enjoy reading it and you may have to get on the waiting list for your turn.

My name is Spike Carlsen, the author of *A Splintered History of Wood: Belt Sander Races, Blind Woodworkers and Baseball Bats*, recently released by HarperCollins.

In a nutshell, the book is a collection of 55 stories that revolve around extraordinary and unusual uses of wood. It contains segments on ancient Kauri wood, the "World's Greatest Woodcarver," belt sander racing, wood collectors and The Spruce Goose. It contains interviews with Jimmy Carter, a trio of blind woodworkers, Mira Nakashima, and woodturners Alan Lacer and Johannes Michelsen.

It's gotten excellent reviews from American Woodworker, WoodShop News, Publisher's Weekly, The New York Post and other publications. It's a book with an unusual slant; most woodworkers find it to be an engaging and enjoyable read.

I've included a "mini-news release" if you wish to use it, along with a cover image. More information on the book—and some very fun, unusual photos—can be found at www.asplinteredhistoryofwood.com.

Excerpts can be found at http://browseinside.harpercollins.com/index.aspx?isbn13=9780061373565&wt.mc_id=pub_wm_av

FYI, for every book sold, a seedling will be planted at Bomalang'ombe Secondary School in rural Tanzania, where students are establishing a tree farm.

I've been involved in the world of wood and woodworking for 30 years—15 years as a carpenter and woodworker, 15 as Executive Editor with *The Family Handyman* magazine. Again, let me know if you need a review copy or any more information. Thank you

Spike Carlsen

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Follows is a copy of an email that STWG received from Tim Perez. The information about the wood he has available on his website looks quite interesting. We are forwarding this to you for informational purposes as we have not contacted him.

I am selling tropical hardwood veneer and lumber I inherited from my father. I thought it might be of interest to you or your membership. You can find more information at:

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Thanks, I appreciate your attention.

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Tim Perez

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