



January 2013

There will be no newsletter this month - the next edition will be in February!

Greetings

I trust the hustle & bustle of the holidays is well behind you. Due to the arrival of a new computer (and not having either the old or the new computer happily working) you will not be getting a newsletter this month. Follows is the President's Message from Palmer Burke & then a recap of the Holiday Get Together from Ray Parsons. We should be back on track for the February newsletter issue. I hope you will be able to attend the meeting (bring a friend and introduce them to the Guild).

Meeting Location: 217 W Princess St, York, PA
Meeting Time: 7:00 PM
Meeting Date: Thursday - January 24, 2013

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

This is the time of year that some of us make resolutions, but by the time of the meeting, most of us will break them. Kind of crazy! Well, I would like to get our club a little more active, especially in show and tell. We usually don't have many projects to show for an average attendance of 25 or so. Let's work on that for the new year! Also, I hope to have more programs that will stimulate our creative side. Our club was founded to share our ideas and skills with each other, so at our first meeting of 2013 on Thursday, January 24, we will see a video that shows us how to make several jigs to make our projects easier. Please come out with your dues for 2013 and bring a friend or even someone else's friend and be prepared to learn.

Next month we will have a dulcimer maker. If you don't know what that is, I guess you will have to come and be surprised! In March, I would like to have a round table discussion on designing to give you some ideas to stimulate your creative mind (and let your family know that you still have it!).

Happy New Year,
Palmer Burke

HOLIDAY GET TOGETHER

Our get together this year was a smashing success. Largest group that ever attended! Just about everyone arrived on time with some really good food. Conversation flowed for quite some time. We even had visitors from Harrisburg. I believe the demonstrations proved helpful. The old shaving bench seem to draw a lot of attention and quite a few tried their hand at using both the draw knife and spoke shave. These once were very common tools. At one time, if you broke a tool handle, you had to make your own. Loosing an axe handle while felling a tree for firewood ended work until a new one could be produced by yourself.

The comparison between old Stanleys and new Lie-Neilsions was interesting. They were similar in so many ways yet so different. The most outstanding aspect was the weight and the quality. Although, the Stanleys were common tools used all over the nation and in Europe, they certainly lacked the refinement of the Lie-Neilsons.

The last item was the removing rust by electrolysis. Since that was only the beginning of the process, I will bring the results to the next meeting. I will also have a hand out of two different ways to conduct the process. It certainly was of interest as I received two calls from others who wanted to try themselves.

In particular, I want to thank the unknown person who left a bottle of Grand Marnier. It was a wonderful surprise to find as I was cleaning up.

Ray Parsons