

JULY 2010

NEWSLETTER

Meeting Date: July 22, 2010

**PLACE: Agricultural & Industrial Museum
217 W Princess St., York, PA 17403**

TIME: 7:00 PM

PROGRAM: Surprise!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi everybody,

I'm still here, just not doing too much yet after my sinus surgery on the 7th. Even though it never swelled up too bad, sometimes the pressure still makes it feel like I have enough nose for 2 people! And no luck finding any of the tools I misplaced over the years in there either.....oh well. Just means I'll have to buy more, right?

The day after our last meeting I made my maiden voyage on the bus to Winterthur. I've heard a lot of hype about the place and their furniture collection over the years and it certainly delivers. Nearly two hundred rooms throughout six floors of this home each decorated in distinct styles with some of the finest period furniture anywhere. If you're interested in the best of the best this is the place to see it! At any time if I ever start to get a swelled head (no nose punn intended) about my woodworking abilities a trip back there will certainly put me in my place. To think, that kind of workmanship, being done two or three centuries ago, with what we would consider inferior tools, it's very humbling indeed.

THIS MONTH'S MEETING

This month's speaker will be Guild member Dennis Kunkle. He will not be talking about old radios! Instead, a 4-legged bench will be constructed. This bench, along with 6 others, has been requested by the staff of the Museum for visitors to take a load off while touring the facility. There is a plan to have the kids in York County Juvenile Detention build these while they learn some woodworking skills. Lathe, drill press and careful layout procedures will be demonstrated at the meeting. This is a great weekend project that any modest workshop can produce and Dennis' prototype bench will be on hand to encourage you! Don't miss this meeting!

Don't forget the Menges Mills Historic Horse Steam and Gas Engine Association is having their show on the 16th ,17th and 18th at the York County 4H center near Bair Station. The flea markets at these steam shows are where I found many of my hand tools over the years and you just never know what you may find. Good food, tractors and bluegrass music and all inside in the air conditioning....how can you beat that?

See you all soon, Mark

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JUNE MEETING



At the meeting in June, we heard from Andy Logie. He is the local master of the Sam Maloof style of furniture making. Andy brought along one of



the rocking chairs that he made. He also had the jig that is used for making the uniquely curved rockers. Andy walked us through the steps to create this famous rocker. We also enjoyed his stories of meeting Sam Maloof and hearing about his experiences on the west coast!



SHOW & TELL

Mike Fritz, who is a newer member of the Guild, made this striking bedside table complete with drawer. The case is



constructed of oak with poplar being used as the secondary wood. The finish Mike selected was shellac.



Show & Tell

Is a way for you to showcase your latest project. You can also share the things that you may have learned during the construction of your project with our members.

Photos of your work in progress may be published in the newsletter. Simply email the photos and a description of your work to the editor at: stwg@comcast.net

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A handy hint forwarded by Tom Bank, Sr who received it from a friend, Ron Ginger, a member of a Yahoo e-group. This is for a broken tap and wood screw removal. It is a process to remember. Trepanning is the process of cutting a plug out of something. Hole saws come to mind in woodworking. Surgeons do it to the skull for brain surgery. You get the idea.

For a nice trepanning tool, find a roll pin of the right diameter. Roll pins are like dowels, but they are a small roll of very hard spring steel. They have a small slot along the length. They are available in hardware and auto supply stores.

Take your Dremel tool with a cutoff wheel and grind a couple teeth on the end of the pin, to make a tiny hole saw. Two or three teeth is enough, and they don't even have to be perfect teeth. Just be sure they have the correct angles of a hole saw tooth.

Now, here's the important part: Grind the teeth **LEFT HANDED**. Put the pin in a bi-directional drill, running counter-clockwise, and start to drill out the tap. Very likely the pin will catch the tap and unscrew it. If not, it will still cut around the tap as deep as you want. You can then plug the hole and begin over again.

This trick also works well for removing broken woodscrews.

After you get it out, write yourself a big sign that says NEVER TAP FREEHAND, ALWAYS USE A GUIDE. I routinely run taps as small as 4-40 under power in my Clausing mill with a VFD to control the speed. I also made a bench tap guide from an old drill press. I do not recall ever breaking a tap that was being guided. I do recall lots of broken taps before I started to guide them.

Ron Ginger

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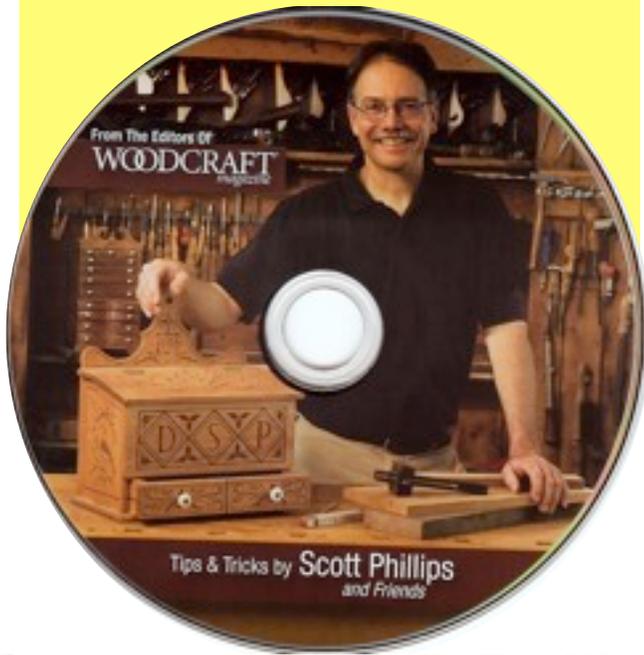
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TURNER	ONE WHO TURNS WOOD ON A LATHE
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ADAMS

June 23, 2010

Susquehanna Trail Woodworkers Guild
Julie Kemper-Kunkle
442 West Philadelphia St.
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Dear Julie,

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Hope to hear from you soon.

Cordially,

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