



OCTOBER 2009

NEWSLETTER

Meeting Date: October 22, 2009

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

TIME: 7:00 PM

PROGRAM: Restoration Ford Model A Truck - Wooden Body

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello woodworkers!

I had read about a fellow that stopped using grain filler because he was getting good results with 2 coats of Mohawk heavily bodied sanding sealer. Having just used grain filler on a cabinet recently that seemed less than 100% filled, I gave it a shot of said sealer. Wow, it's filled now. That surface is as smooth as glass. By the way, there's a Mohawk dealer in Mechanicsburg that stocks every product that they sell. While Woodcraft has some of their items and I need to go there for many things, a complete selection is nicer. With colder weather on the way, spraying is going to be more of a chore, but there's nothing better than a no-rubbing-out-necessary finish. See you next week.

Dennis

THIS MONTH'S MEETING

We welcome, Mike Ryan, as our speaker this month. His 35 year career was in the electronics field, working first for York Telephone and then GTE. Mike started working with wood in junior high school after taking up wood shop. He had been making family Christmas gifts for about 12 years, going through 3 scroll saws in the process. He enjoyed designing his own patterns using Adobe Suite. In 2001, his wife bought him two Model A Ford trucks. He rebuilt the chassis and then had to rebuild the wooden body. This is the reason he now has a nice little wood shop. The truck has been at car shows (some by request), on TV, in magazines and newspapers, and even on Ford's 100th Anniversary web site back in 2003. It has been his weekend thrill for the last 6 years, taking it to shows and talking about Model A's and woodwork until he is hoarse. He was featured in Lowe's publication The Woodpost in 2007. Mike will also be bringing some of his projects along for all to view. Don't miss this meeting!

SEPTEMBER MEETING



At the meeting in September, we heard from our own member, Ed Dattner. He brought in his beautiful grandfather's clock for all to marvel at.

Ed's woodworking experience has had him making things for the home including a four-drawer chest so the decision to built this clock was the start of a major undertaking for Ed. He buys the raw lumber, planing and joining it himself to prepare it for use.

He spent about a year, working a couple of hours a day, (some

days involving more thinking about what step was next than actually torturing the timbers) until the clock was completed. Ed also brought along his handmade flute cutting jig to share. His perseverance, skill and ingenuity are shown in this striking clock.



SHOW & TELL

The September meeting presented another round of superbly crafted items for "Show-n-Tell"! Bring your recently finished works or works in progress to the January meeting to share with our members.



Dennis Kunkle replaced the veneer on the front of this radio cabinet. It is his current work in progress.



M i k e Galloway shared this exquisitely carved, with attention to detail, indian head.



Al Herner wowed us with this perfectly turned segmented bowl. He will be our speaker at the January meeting. Look for more details about Al in a future newsletter.



New attendee Gilly Quinn impressed us with this delightful and carefully crafted banjo.



Ray Parsons carved this very realistic looking shell.





Palmer Burke presented another whimsical marble game. He also won first place at the York Fair with this, his latest creation.



As Bob Aspey was unable to attend the meeting in October, Julie, your newsletter editor, was called upon to try to duplicate the photographic excellence that is the hallmark of what Bob and his camera provide to STWG.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Nominations for the officers for 2010 will be held at the October meeting. Mark Bortner, as the current 1st Vice President will be moving into the slot as President. We will need to have nominations for the positions of 1st and the 2nd Vice Presidents and Treasurer. Also the position of Newsletter Editor is up for grabs. We are hoping that our current photographer, Bob Aspey, will be able to continue to provide a photographic record of our meetings in the future.

The actual election will be held at the January meeting and the new officers will assume their duties in January.

2009 Holiday Meeting/Party

The Guild will once again have a holiday gathering in lieu of meetings during the months of November and December. We will meet on Sunday, December 6th from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Our founder, Ray Parsons has agreed to host the Guild again this year at his home. The view from Ray's home is fabulous and Ray is a wonderful, gracious host! His address is: 4509 Walters Hatchery Rd., Spring Grove, PA.

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More information and a map will be published in the November/December newsletter.

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If you have any other questions, contact:

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How great would it be to have one of our own members featured in this contest, not to mention, YOU winning one of the prizes!

The Guild had to change the meeting location and time, last month, at the last minute. We will be at our usual location (217 W Princess St in York) in October. Hope to see you there!



A vote was taken at the last meeting and the Guild will not be participating in the “thewoodworkingshows.com” event to be held in January at the Maryland State Fairgrounds in Timonium, MD. It was a great opportunity but the venue, lasting three days, is just too far away geographically for our members to man the booth and present seminars/ demonstrations to the event attendees.

We really enjoyed the “WoodWorks” shows that were held at the York Expo Center and will miss them this year. We hope they will resume the shows in 2010.

The Guild was contacted by the Minwax Company with respects to competing in the 2009 Community Craftsman Award. They are looking for woodworkers or organizatioins who have promoted community improvement programs though the use of their woodworking skills. We are submitting the volunteer work that has been performed on the *wood lathe*. You will recall former member, Bill Warner donated it to the York County Heritage Trust. Now that the restoration has been completed, it is ready for use by the museum for hands on demonstrations. We felt it was worthy of competing and will be submitting the papers shortly. The Grand Prize is a \$5,000 cash grant.

We would also like to prepare a video of the lathe in action. To do this, we need to have two volunteers that will use the lathe during the filming process. Contact Dennis at stwg@comcast.net to volunteer for this project.



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