

Peoria Area Woodworker's Club Meeting Minutes – March 16, 2011

The Peoria Area Woodworker's Club met on February 16th at Liberty Hall in Marquette Heights. The next meeting will be at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, April 20, 2011 at The Woodworkers Shop in Pekin. The program will be on **Shop Fixtures presented by Mort Sill.**

There were 28 members present at the meeting. The refreshment committee (Ron and Dale) provided coffee with the club's new coffee pot.

Dave Esme mentioned that on March 24th there will be a bluebird workshop at Alpha Park Library in Bartonville. In addition to a lot of interesting information about bluebirds, there will be instruction on building bluebird houses.

As a follow-up to his program last month **Russ Marie** offered his time to answer questions or work one-on-one with anyone who is interested in making his tabletop. Russ can be reached at 446-3509.

Norm Bartlett reported that we have \$1930 in the club treasury.

Bruce Shiverdecker reminded the club that WTVP is accepting woodworking items for their fundraising auction. Contact WTVP or Bruce for more information.

The winner of the 50/50 was **Ron Mayne.**

SHOW & TELL

Mike Brown made a box from plans he found in a recent issue of WOOD magazine. The small footed box is made of bloodwood, wenge, cherry and spalted maple. The small pieces were a challenge to shape.



Carl Palow brought a paper towel holder and a kitchen spatula. He also had a piece of sassafras.

Vic had another striking intarsia piece. A deer head made of 70 pieces of wood, walnut for the face and butternut for the antlers. On the eyes he used his ebonizing technique which he shared at a previous meeting.



John Freymuth brought in the bottom step for a staircase he plans to build in a new home. The step was wide with rounded sides. He used bending techniques for the round sides and laminated the front face. Quite an interesting piece.

Shop Safety – Both **Russ Marie** and **Wayne Smith** were sporting bandages from recent shop injuries. Russ smashed his finger while trying to tap into place a cabinet. When it finally moved into place it caught his finger. Wayne was at the table saw doing repetitive cuts and in a moment of complacency he ran his thumb into a new, sharp Freud blade. Both men stressed the importance of shop safety and always paying attention to what you are doing in the shop, no matter how simple it may seem.

PROGRAM

The presenter for the program did not show up. The meeting was dismissed early without a program.

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