

Peoria Area Woodworkers March 2012 news letter

Next meeting April 18 at the Woodworker's shop

Next meeting program is the Router - Crafter Legacy Mill by Bill Ferking

Norm Bartlett reported that there was \$1400 in the club treasury. Thirty six members were present at the meeting. The 50/50 drawing was won by Jim Seeyle and Gus Waeltz won the \$35 gift drawing. Gus donated the gift card back to the club and Dale Elliott won the second drawing.

New member present was John Keen from Peking, IL.

SHOW AND TELL:

John Freimuth showed two hand carved duck decoys. He used Pine for the bodies. One duck had a Redwood head, the other duck had a Pine head. He started with roughing out the decoy on the band saw and then hand carved the remainder.



John Goodenough brought in his wooden chess set. The pieces are made from Cherry and Ash using a scrollsaw. He requested suggestions on how to finish the chess pieces.



Bill Goff had a “Trick” box with a penny enclosed. Bill passed the box around with the challenge to figure out how to open the box. No one solved the opening problem. Bill then showed us that he used rare earth magnets to hold the lid shut. If you press the lid in the right area, the lid will pop open.



MAIN PROGRAM:

Gary Bray gave a presentation on Guitar making. Gary brought 4 finished Guitars and some of the Guitar parts he makes. Gary makes and sells custom made Guitars and has a one year waiting list of customers. He has made 32 Guitars so far and is still learning how to construct and finish them. While there is a lot of science in a Guitar, there is still the personal touch in selecting the wood, sound board, and bracing.



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