Peoria Area Woodworker's Club Newsletter 2013-03 March

Woodworker's Club Meeting Wednesday, March 20th @ 6:30 PM The Woodworker's Shop, East Manito Rd., Pekin

Program: Russ Marie will share his knowledge and experience on what it takes to achieve a superior "glue up" process.

Notes from the February 20th meeting:

Pres. Mark Padesky called the meeting of some 35 woodworkers to order with the word that our Treasurer, Norm Bartlett has been in the hospital. He is home and, thankfully, on the path to recovery. He expects to be staying pretty close to home for possibly another three/four weeks.

Mark and Jim Seelye organized a planning meeting for the following Wednesday, 02/27, to set the agenda for the meetings up to mid-year. The results of that meeting will be discussed at the March 20th meeting.

Show & Tell:

Louis Knief brought one of four tall candle holders he crafted for his church by recycling previously used newel posts. His "rescue" involved first modifying his 1932 Montgomery Ward lathe to accommodate a 32" turning, crafting bases heavy enough to support the uprights and, crafting metal candlestick holders at the top. A worthy project by any measure.



Vic McDonald made a pair of scroll sawn brick/basket weave patterned pencil holders. They were also recycled from available cutoffs/scrap. His "layered" technique was interesting and the end result was definitely worth his time and effort.



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Mark Padesky was the evening's featured speaker. He began by discussing the defining characteristics of an Arts & Craft design or style in general and specifically how it was applied by Frank Lloyd Wright and Green & Green to lighting fixtures using those he made himself. From that base,



he walked us through his crafting process touching everything from the woodworking to working with stained glass, soldering and wiring.

A special thanks to Mark for sharing his knowledge and experience. Considering the cost and quality of today's imported light fixtures, perhaps we'll see more hand crafted fixtures in future Show & Tell displays.

John Keen won the \$35 Woodworker's Shop Gift Certificate and Dwayne Allen won the 50/50 drawing.

Announcement

Our friends at the **Woodworker's Shop** are having another "Wood Expo" this coming weekend, Friday-Saturday. Representatives from the different tool vendors will be discussing their products and local craftsmen will also be demonstrating their skills. Discounts of 10% will apply to nearly everything in the store...wood, hand tools, power tools, hardware, finishing products...just about everything. And, as is customary, there will be plenty of their finest free popcorn.

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We're looking forward to having a fine turnout for Wednesday evening's meeting. It's the first day of Spring and the weather is supposed to be just fine. Russ is already "glued up & cured" for his presentation. So, if members bring in those Show & Tell projects it will be a fine evening indeed.