

# Peoria Area Woodworker's Club Newsletter

## 2014-01 January

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### Notice

#### **Peoria Area Woodworker's Club Meeting** **Wednesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> - 6:30 pm** **The Woodworker's Shop on Manito Rd., Pekin**

**Wednesday Evening's Program:** Member participation is the key to maintaining a successful woodworking club. Gene Lair, for example, will attempt to give us a virtual tour of his shop and a glimpse of some of the projects he has completed there. We will be using a laptop computer and a digital screen projector. If this works, we can use digital photography to show projects that would otherwise be difficult to bring in.

#### **Notes From The January 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting:**

Vice President, John Keen stepped up to chair the meeting and did a fine job.

**Old Business:** There are just a few left that still need to pay their 2014 Dues and there are just two/three that need to pick up and pay for their club logo T-shirts.

#### **New Business:**

**Treasurer's Report:** Norm Bartlett reported that his record and the January 11, 2014 CEFCU statement balance with \$1,719.33 in Savings and \$23.64 in Checking.

**Peoria Area Woodworker's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** Norm Bartlett reminded us that our March meeting will mark our 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a woodworking club. There was a general agreement that we should recognize that achievement with possibly a little extra "tailgating." Arrangements need to be finalized Wednesday evening.

### Show & Tell

**John Goodenough:** John made a mitered half lap joint and talked about it's common and best applications. He also brought his shop built "over the fence" table saw fixture to add a spline to a mitered joint. It would seem as if the "over the fence" feature might add an element of control, thus safety, to what can otherwise be a risky task.



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**Bill Frerking:** Bill brought a smaller version of his carver's tool box or display case. The photos show how compact the box is "at rest" and how expansive it is when folded out into a stand alone tool organizer or carving display.



In his "spare time," Bill he has been honing turning skills by making staved wooden bowls. The photo to the right is one of three/four he just finished. Nice work.



### **A.J. Gatzemeyer:**

A.J. brought a smaller arts & crafts lamp shade than the one he displayed two/three meetings ago. He had enough pieces left over to make a smaller one intended for our joinery display.



**Vic McDonald:** When a scroll saw master like Vic decides to hone his skill at crafting compound cut ornaments they come out looking like these.



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**Andy Kosirog:** Meet Andy Kosirog. Obviously Andy has made a Shaker box or two in his woodworking days. He started by taking a class from John Wilson, a master woodworker, instructor, and material supplier from Charlotte, Michigan. As Andy's skill matured, he made and sold boxes in a number of different craft shows. Eventually, he came to the realization that while the Shaker boxes were fun to make, the craft became less profitable as material, labor and marketing costs escalated. Andy has the smallest box from the top of the stack in his hand. John Wilson's website is [www.shakerovalboxes.com](http://www.shakerovalboxes.com) if you are interested.



**Mark Padesky:** Mark brought a chair that he is repairing for a friend that lost their home in the Washington tornado. On this chair, Mark is replacing a leg. It's been a "battle" and he has learned more than he wanted to know about the challenges of disassembly, repair and reassembly but he is getting there.



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**Roland Behrens:** Rolly enjoys repairing and refinishing chairs particularly if they need a caned seat. He has learned to cane and wove the seat on the chair in the following pictures. In these times, caning is an impressive skill.



**Norm Bartlett:** Norm made some handsome “refrigerator magnets” from a pattern that was in a 20 yr. old Wood magazine. The wings were shaped on a 1” belt sander and the different woods made the coloring. Small rare earth magnets on the backsides attached the geese to the sheet metal under the matt in the frame.



My apologies for the taking so long to get this newsletter out. Maybe mentioning “technology” in the opening lines brought the “gremlins” out or perhaps it was the full moon. Dave Esme is having just as much fun with our website. It apparently has decided that it no longer wants to accept an update. Hopefully these difficulties are “weather related” and we will have them straightened out shortly. Dave Lawson – [davelawson43@gmail.com](mailto:davelawson43@gmail.com)