Meeting Notice

Peoria Area Woodworker's Club Wednesday, January 21st - 6:30 pm The Woodworker's Shop on Manito Rd., Pekin

Program: Woodcarvers Bill Frerking & Jack Shoemaker of the Morton Area Wood Carver's Association will present the evening's featured program. They will demonstrate and show as much about carving as our time permits.

November 19th Meeting Notes

Planning Meeting: The Planning Committee met to organize topics for at least the first half of the year. At the moment, topics "penciled in" include wood carving, a Sketch-Up demonstration, a discussion about safety, tool/shop loss insurance coverage, jigs & fixtures, toy making, i.e., design aspects, safety, restrictions and more. The listing will remain a "work in progress" so as thoughts/opportunities come about, please contact Jim Seelye.

Business Meeting:

Treasurer, Norm Bartlett, reported that our 11-08-2014 CEFCU statement figures of \$2,158.48 in Savings and \$64.01 in Checking balance with club records.

Club Dues: The 2015 club dues collection campaign is nearing completion. There are still a few that need to pay. See/call Norm Bartlett.

Drawings: Rick Espe won the evening's 50/50 drawing and Charlie Blough was the lucky winner of the Woodworker's Shop \$35 Gift Certificate.

Program:

Khaled Mohammad gave us a presentation/tour of his nearly completed woodshop. In addition to seeing the results of his good efforts and hearing his rational for wiring, heat and air circulation, we were treated to a couple/three viewings of his "shop cat."

Show & Tell:

Norm Bartlett: Norm's contribution featured a pair of scroll sawn nativity scenes. Their beauty is in their simplicity. The pieces in the larger set, for example, were just a pleasure to handle.



John Freimuth: John found this small wooden hand plane on a trip to Italy a few years ago. He is yet to see another like it or find any reference to one in a publication. Any hints as to it's intended application would be appreciated.



Charlie Blough: Charlie took a plan from Toys & Joys to a higher level when he made this heirloom quality walnut bulldozer. Springs in the blade's lift cylinders, for example, provide a realistic blade lift. The link assemblies rotate freely around the sprockets. In the plan, the track assembly didn't move.

The small bulldozer to the upper left corner of the picture was the prototype for the working tracks on the larger model.



Vic McDonald: Vic may have a thing for snowflakes. These flakes, for example, are multi-dimensional and made up of four individually sawn pieces. The fit and finish is critical. Not an easy task.

Not all scroll work has to be of wood. The ornament to the right was sawn from copper/aluminum.



Bill Freurking: Bill's Twelve Days Of Christmas tiles are relief carved and accented with wood burning.

Contrast the two Santa's. The one on the left has been accented with wood burning ...the other has not. What a difference.





Del Luedtke: Del might have been "showing off" his new scroll saw just a bit here. These little fellers are real "little deers." As a point of reference, that coin on the red carpet is a quarter.



Les Linton: We all have memories of a Christmas past. Les, for example, took the pattern for this little guy from one of the early Wood magazines. That's been a while ago but it is a fine example of a keepsake.





Audio Visual Capabilities

Jim Seelye has been working to improve our audio visual capabilities. He acquired a camera/two and tested them with our projector and they do work. Bill Frerking Jr. donated an older large screen tv. It is sitting proudly atop our library. The intent is simultaneously film and view (on the big screen) what is being demonstrated.

Having the tv will let us show larger projects without having to transport them in.

This set-up may not be the "end-all" for our audio-visual journey but we are learning without "breaking the bank."

If you bring a Show & Tell project Wednesday evening, you might be on tv though it will be on a very, very local channel.

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Reminders

Show & Tell is an integral part of every woodworker's meeting. Every project is a winner. Enjoy the woodworking experience.

Return any outstanding library books/materials.

Don't forget to pay your 2015 dues. See Norm Bartlett.