

Peoria Area Woodworker's Club Newsletter
2015-04 April

Notice

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

May 20th Program: Earlier, A.J. Gatzmeyer gave us a look at a Mission Style mantel clock he has been working with. His "pattern clock" was taller than he would like preferring instead a more pleasant ratio of height and width. Wednesday evening he will show us how that worked out and what it takes to create a series of similar but pleasingly different clocks.

April 15th Program Notes: Paul Cobb & Jason Snyder shared the evening's program. Paul led off with a pictorial tour and commentary on the woodworking club's facility he belongs to in Arizona. Although his tour was quite interesting, his commentary and insights into how the club originated and how it operates proved equally captivating. Thank you, Paul.

Jason Snyder worked up a "refresher course" on best practices and overall tuning of a band saw. It was a good reminder for some and a valued tutorial for the rest of us. Thank you, Jason.



Business Meeting: Treasurer, Norm Bartlett, reported a CEFCU statement balance in our savings account of \$2,040.88 and a checking account balance of \$26.90. Those figures were in agreement with club records.

New Business: Les Linton reported that our application and fee for participation in the Marigold Festival have been submitted. We are on our way.

New Members: A welcome to new member Carl Miller from Creve Coeur and Lowell & Pat Mannhardt of Knoxville, IL.

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Drawings: Khalad Mohammed was the lucky winner of the \$35 Woodworker's Shop Gift Card and Roland Behrens won the 50/50 Drawing.

Show & Tell

Jim Seelye: Jim has been making and decorating these small boxes to explore chip carving, wood burning and color accenting. That's what it takes...practice. You only fail if you quit.



Gene Lair: After having to endure weeks of in-house confinement following back surgery, Gene is getting back in his shop. Not sure if there is more to this story/not but he crafted this clever toilet paper storage unit. What's next...maybe a magazine rack? Just kidding...we're so glad to see you back on your feet.



John Freimuth: John brought some interesting items. The one below is a kite string bale/winder. Notice the rod extending out the right end. Chucking it up in a cordless drill expedites rewind.



The Little Bridge That Could. John consulted with his son on this popsicle stick bridge built for a Bradley Eng. Class competition. In the "show," the judges loaded

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it up with all the weight they had then one judge stood on the weight mechanism. The “little bridge” held 340 pounds *without* breaking and John & son proudly brought it home intact.



Paul Cobb: Paul came prepared. Should our audio visual technology have failed, Paul was ready with a beautiful segmented turning (which we will see again) and a neat little banjo.



Louis Knief: Louis built this walnut speaker's stand for his son-in-law. It is obviously a custom design, well built, sturdy and, well finished.



Bill Frerking: Bill was giving bark carving in the round a go when he found this Indian Chief in a likely looking piece of cottonwood.

The candle plate is an example of his deep relief carving.



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Bill recently carved this plaque in a competition at a carving seminar. It's quite a piece earning him "honorable mention" recognition.



Show & Tell Assistance: Show & Tell is an enjoyable and key part of our Woodworker's Club meetings. To show a project that is large, heavy, already installed or maybe delivered elsewhere, consider digital photographs. With our audio visual equipment, we can accommodate cd's, memory cards, or printed photographs. It is best, however, to give Jim Seelye a call in advance to minimize "surprises" at Show & Tell time. **Jim Seelye, 309-346-4609** or seelyjv@itv-3.com.

Looking forward to seeing everyone Wednesday evening @ 6:30 in The Woodworker's Shop on E. Manito Rd. in Pekin. Bring those Show & Tell projects..

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