

Woodworker's Club Meeting
Wednesday, April 19th @ 6:30 PM
The Woodworker's Shop, East Manito Rd., Pekin.

March 15th Meeting Notes: President, A. J. Gatzmeyer called the meeting of March 15th to order.

Business Meeting: Treasurer Norm Bartlett forwarded the CEFCU statement and has reported the sum of \$2,574.07 in the club's savings account and an additional \$82.57 in checking. And as usual, those figures reconciled with the CEFCU statement dated 2/11/2017.

Drawings: Andy Kosirig was the lucky winner of the 50/50 drawing and Russ Marie won the \$35 Woodworker's Store Gift Card. Our \$25 gift card for show and tell was won by John Goodenough. 43 members attended.

March Meeting:

Les Linton – Program – Veneer Softening and Flattening With a Bag Press

Well, I thought about writing a 5 page essay on how great the presentation was for March, but I thought instead I should simply list the formula for the softening liquid that I use. Please note that there are many different versions of this material so your use may require you to add or reduce ingredients as needed. The internet is a great source of material.

As many spray bottles are 32 oz, I used that as my base for quantities.

4 oz = 1 part.

Glycerin - Softening Agent 1-1/2 Parts = 6 oz

Water - Carrier 4 Parts = 16 oz

Glue, white or yellow - Sizing Agent - 1 Part = 4 oz

Denatured Alcohol, helps with evaporation - 1 Part = 4 oz

Glue is the variable. For open grained burls that will not be stained you can increase this if necessary, but for lighter tight grained veneer that you plan on staining. reduce or eliminate the glue to avoid issues with the veneer accepting stain.

For the April meeting Arborist, Brandon Dobnick, will do a presentation for the club on ways and means to utilize the resources local to us. You will be in awe at some of the slabs he has salvaged within a 30 mile radius of his home in Oswego, IL.

Russ Marie: As promised Russ brought in the finished product. This is the scaled down version of the “work bench coffee table.”



A.J. Gatzmeyer: A.J. brought in a couple of the modified Harbor Freight body saws that he modified with speed controls.



Jerry Wallis: Jerry brought in a large display of pens that he produces.



John Goodenough: John brought in a 3D cutting board and explained much of the process of completing the project



Louis Knief: Louis brought in a very nice turning piece



Steve Miller: Steve brought in some well sought after memorabilia for Cubs fans



Larry Coggins: Larry, as a frugal woodworker is turning his own handles for his lathe tools



Mark Padesky: Mark brought in a nice cutting board as well as a bowl he had turned.



Bill Weise: Bill brought in a very nice "Billy Club" display.



Tom Robertson: Tom brought in a small kitchen ladder that he created from reclaimed lumber.



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