

Area Woodworker's Club Newsletter 2021 - June

NOTICE

Woodworker's Meeting Tomorrow Evening, June 16th @ 6:30 at the Woodworker's Shop, East Manito Rd., Pekin

Notes from the May 19th Meeting: Pres, Dan Withrow, started the meeting off welcoming the group of some 24 members to what was primarily a Show & Tell session. Possibly the general consensus ...where did the year go.

New Business: Treasurer, Norm Bartlett reported a club treasury balance in the CEFCU account of \$2,238.33. As usual, his record is in agreement with the figures on the latest statement from CEFCU.

Old Business: By a general consensus, the collection of club dues has effectively been suspended until September. There will be no assessment of a makeup dues for the past 18 months when we didn't meet.

Drawings: Dave Lawson picked up \$17 in the 50/50 drawing. Denny Dukes walked off with the Show & Tell Participation prize of a \$25 Woodworker's Gift Card and, Jim Seelye won the Attendance Drawing of a \$35 Woodworker's Shop Gift Card.

Show & Tell: Show & Tell is often one of the more interesting parts of a PAWS evening. Participants get a chance to show a bit of what they made, maybe what they might have learned or even what they might want some advice on.

Norm Bartlett: At some point in the past 18 months, Norm dusted off his scroll saw to craft an impressive crucifix complete with his renditions of a braid of thorns, a burial cloth and, if you look closely, a forged spike of gold.



Russ Marie: Russ turned a number of these hefty spindles as replacements for original porch spindles and others for a renovation of an interior stairway in one of the larger homes on Grandview Drive in Peoria. Should you drive-the-drive, you can pick them out as there are no others of their size along the route. The second picture is of a massive column he turned for a different customer.



The items in the picture to the far right were made by A.J. Gatzemeyer. On occasion, A.J. visited Russ for one reason or another over the years and he usually brought a hand crafted gift along for Russ's wife, Linda. What a nice guy.

Russ also shared pictures of a replica circa late 1800's ornate pool cue cabinet he had worked on off and on for some three years.....then he rested.

Vic McDonald: Vic used a vintage pattern by the late intarsia artist and author, Gloria Max Thompson to make this fine "Baby In A Manger" nativity scene. He used aspen, walnut, popular, oak, cherry, ebonized walnut and maybe another or two.



Carl Miller: For some fifteen years, this little eight drawer keepsake chest endured the stigma of being a “winter time work in progress.” Then came the shutdown and fewer and fewer things got in it’s way and finally it was finished. The case is walnut and the drawer fronts are spalted ash.



Dan Withrow: Dan crafted several of these push-pull sticks all so handy to pull a hot rack or baking dish out of the oven.



Larry Coggins: In typical woodworker fashion, Larry needed a portable saw mill similar to a Woodmizer so, he made one. It has an 18hp engine. It can handle up to a 36” log (if my notes are right) and, will be road ready shortly. Larry brought a piece of the first plank he cut and asked Norm to just raffle it off and I won it. That’s me with the board not Larry.



Denny Dukes: Denny's intarsia project was entitled "Looking Back." It's a football player "looking back." Sorry I didn't catch the "wood's,"



Brian Berchtold: Brian and his wife collaborated on the finer details of this piece. It's a frame that looks somewhat like a shadowbox (see the hinges and knob) but it doesn't open. Brian routed a small line around where the hinges sit to further fuel the ruse. It's neat.



Jerry Wallis: Jerry does more than pens. Here is a selection of his duck calls, squirrel calls and bottle stoppers. All are well made of hardwoods, antlers and/or bones and nicely branded.



Least We Forget

,Doug Cobb. a longtime friend, fellow woodworker, and Lifetime PAWS Club Member passed away May 28th. Norm's records show that he joined at the 2nd meeting..

Douglas E. Cobb of Peoria, Illinois, passed away on Friday, May 28, 2021, at the OSF Richard L. Owens Hospice Home, where he was cared for lovingly.

Doug was born on December 12, 1955, in Lake City, Iowa. He is survived by his wife, Patty (Callahan) Cobb; mother, Melva; and two siblings; as well as many in-laws and nieces and nephews who affectionately called him "Uncle Buck."

Doug graduated from the University of Illinois with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. He was employed by Caterpillar for 33 years. With early retirement, he was able to spend nine winters in Florida, where he enjoyed playing guitar, singing with friends and tinkering in his garage.

An avid golfer, woodworker and tool collector, Doug kept busy with his many hobbies. He was a Birdie Chaser (golfing group), member of The Old Man's Club (woodworkers) and Lloyd's Breakfast Club (CAT buddies).

Doug was a big guy with a soft heart; his warm personality and quick wit were a treasure to those who knew him. He rarely met a person or a tool he didn't like.



Lloyd Barth: EAST PEORIA - East Peoria resident, Lloyd H. Barth, passed away peacefully on Friday, November 13, 2020, with his wife by his side.

He was born on September 4, 1936, to Michael L. and Viola M. (Oyen) Barth of Minonk, IL. They preceded him in death.

Lloyd attended a rural grade school near Minonk and Minonk-Dana High School. Early in his career, he worked at Owens-IL Glass Co., and then several years as a salesman for Moorman's Feed Co., before a long career on the management team of the Journal Star circulation department, retiring in 1994.

Lloyd and Gloria Hardtke Briggs joined their families when they married on July 17, 1981, in Peoria, IL. His wife survives, along with their children, including Dan (Debbie) Barth of Washburn, Ken (Cherie) Barth of Sycamore, Tim (friend, Jade) Briggs of Peoria and Angie (Rob) Swearingian of East Peoria. Also surviving are grandchildren, Michelle (Kalaab) Pickering, Kimberly Barth, Melissa (Andrew) Holcombe, Brianna (Scott) Kerlin, Andrew Barth and Brenin Briggs (friend, Brandon). Also surviving are great-grandsons, Tristan, Grayson and Bentley. Gloria's large Wisconsin family and numerous close friends also survive.

Prior to the decline of his health due to long-term COPD and other health issues, Lloyd belonged to several groups with whom he enjoyed woodworking, model railroading, photography and cards and games. After retiring, Lloyd and Gloria enjoyed 17 winters in Ft. Myers, FL.



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