Peoria Area Woodworker's Club Meeting Wednesday, February 16th

Newly elected club president, Les Linton, opened the meeting with a welcome to all and the details of the meeting's agenda.

In open discussion, Les introduced the idea of a primary topic for each meeting's Show & Tell. The intent is We have done well in the past when we focused on specific topics like jigs & fixtures and boxes. Each time, it proved interesting and productive. Of course, any and all S & T projects will always be welcome and appreciated.

Business Meeting

Treasurer, Norm Bartlett, reported the balance in our CEFCU savings account to be \$1,495.11 plus \$23.18 in checking. As expected, Norm's figures did agree with those on the CEFCU statement.

Norm also gave his Year-End 2021 Treasurer's Report. Not surprising was reduced income from membership dues in the face of increased expenditures. Regretfully, declined some during the Covid-19 2020-2021 days when we were not having regular meetings. The increased expenditures were related primarily to acquiring much needed and much appreciated audio-visual equipment.

Drawings: Vic McDonald, perhaps the luckiest woodworker in attendance, drew his own name to win the \$35 Attendance Woodworker's Shop Gift Card. Jason Clayton came in next by winning the \$25 Show & Tell Participation Gift Card. Brian Berchtold won the 50-50 drawing.

Show & Tell:

Vic McDonald: Vic modified a flat projection of a moose meant to be a puzzle with a few "life lines" here and there to make appear more realistic. It is aromatic red ceder with poplar antlers.

The whimsical little moose on the right is an ornament. Who says you can't make a moose cute.





Russ Marie: Typically, as Valentine's Day approaches, Russ wanders over to his scroll saw and gets back to some serious scrolling. No paper greeting cards from this guy.









Jason Clayton:: Jason made this little vintage WWII Jeep. In it's field testing the oak proved worthy material. Kids loved spinning the tailgate mounted spare tire.





John Goodenough: John turned this segmented bowl. The rim segments are purple and yellow heart. The center is oak. Working up a fixture to hold it during glue-up was a worthwhile experience.





D. Moore: Grandpa D's grandson got him into toy barnbuilding. This little feller is plenty sturdy with just enough realistic detail to spark the imagination. That's what it's all about.





Norm Bartlett: The scroll saw pattern titled these figures as "Man With Dog." After cutting the figures out and giving them a good sanding, they went into a Ziploc bag with some wipe-on high gloss Varathane and a bit of dark stain. After a good swishing around, he removed them, wiped them down and let them dry. The smooth dark finish certainly enhanced the abstract forms.



Dwayne Allen: Dwayne crafted this zig zag patterned keepsake box from walnut, cherry, pine and oak. He's made several in the five/six years since our good friend, A.J. Gatzemeyer, walked him step by step through the process. Don't we all miss him.







Carl Miller: Carl plans to be attending his 60th high school reunion shortly. He wanted to do something special for classmates so he turned a series of these beautiful cherry bowls. That ought to do it. He also made a number of these little birdhouses for a different event.







Program

Bill Wiese gave a very informative slide presentation on the **MicroJig** company's **MatchFit Dovetail Clamping System**. Equally impressive was the **MATCHFIT Work Horse** he built using the available Microjig plans.

MicroJig's claim that their Dovetail Clamping System provides the work holding options & stability of a full sized work bench with the portability & form factor of a typical sawhorse appears to be true.

There are a number of utube presentation from Microjig and others that let you see what it can do. Visit microjig.com/matchfit.

Expect to see a slurry of Dovetail Clamping System adaptations in upcoming PAWS Show & Tell presentations.







Meeting Announcement Peoria Area Woodworker's Club Meeting *

Wednesday, March 16th @ 6:30

The Woodworker's Shop on Manito Rd., Pekin

*Attendance qualifies a member for an entry into the drawing for the \$35 Woodworker's Shop Gift Card.

Show & Tell

The Show & Tell Topic is open for this meeting but remember that bringing a project qualifies you for entry into the Show & Tell Participation Drawing for a \$25 Woodworker's Gift Card.

Evening's Program

Bill Wiese & Carl Miller

After using using his shop-built MatchFit Dovetail Clamping Work Horse, Bill thought some re-work might be in order. Basically, he built a second Work Horse and it is bigger and better but he didn't change things up just for a "gottsha." He will explain. Actually, it is bigger and better. Maybe it is worthy of a distinction like the "Wiese 1.2."

Carl Miller is a hand plane collector. One plane in his collection is more unique than most and he would like to show how it works and what it can do. Come time for the plane to "meet the wood," so to speak, the work piece will be held firmly in the grip of the Wiese 1.2.

Looking forward to Wednesday evening. Would hate to bet on it but the weather should be better. Feel free to invite friends/acquaintances with woodworking interests as guests. It wll be an interesting meeting. Actually, I doubt there is anywhere else around where one could put hands on a "Wiese 1.2."

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