



# WOODWORDS ON THE BRANDYWINE

## Woodworkers Guild of Delaware

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### February Meeting Highlights

Phyllis Lann was with us at the February meeting. Phyllis has many years in chair seating and has trained many of the people that are in this business. She passed around different type of seating material such as cane, Danish cord, rush and shaker tape. Danish Cord is paper rush but with three twisted papers and then the three are twisted together. She did a shaker tape stool which was raffled off at our meeting. The Shaker stool had a checkerboard pattern on the top and a herringbone pattern on the bottom. When an old chair needs to have the cane replaced she charges \$1.00 a hole. Phyllis said she would be willing to have a class on the above either in her home or would come to Hodgsons if enough members are interested. The class would be at a very nominal fee.



The Stool was won by Tony Knisley

Jim Stevens won the raffle prize - a \$30.00 gift certificate to Woodcraft.

### Show and Tell

Bring in your show and tell and get a free raffle ticket

Tony Albano brought in a saw with a handle he made from Cherry.



Paul Welsh brought in a kitchen drawer in which he had made removable dividers

George Hoffman brought some basswood carvings. He also brought in some carriages he carved and made molds. He carves carousel horses in 1" scale up to full height. George also spoke about Carousel horses and the fact that they were hollow to keep the weight down. The horses cannot exceed 125 lbs.



Jeremy Noblitt brought in some Brazilian Cherry for members to take home and finish with their favorite finish. Hope you took some home. Please bring it back to the March meeting so we can compare different finishes.

### March 2008 Meeting Agenda

We all like to keep our tools sharp so don't miss the March meeting. Tony Albano is going to do a demo on sharpening with sandpaper.

Jim Stevens and Tony are going to show veneering on the tables.

Gary Hayes, Hans Francke and John Dunbar are going to work on the inlay and banding for the tables.

Bring in your finished Brazilian Cherry and be ready to explain how you finished your piece.

### Shows of Interest in the area

The Chester County Craft Guild of the Pa State Guild

West Pikeland Cultural Center  
Art School Road  
Yellow Springs, PA

Saturday, April 19 / 10am - 5pm  
Sunday, April 20 / 10am - 5pm

Jim Stevens will be displaying his chairs. Admission is free.

### The Woodworking Shows

<http://www.thewoodworkingshows.com/chantilly.asp>

Dulles Expo Center  
North Hall  
4368 Chantilly Shopping Center  
Chantilly, VA 20153  
703-378-0910  
Parking: Free

Friday, March 14 / Noon - 6pm  
Saturday, March 15 / 10am - 6pm  
Sunday, March 16 / 10am - 4pm

### Annual Woodcarving & Wildlife Arts Festival

Student Memorial Center  
Millersville University Campus  
South George Street  
Millersville, PA

Saturday, March 8 / 10am - 5pm  
Sunday, March 9 / 10am - 4pm

## 2007-08 Meeting Schedule Dates

Guild meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month of the school year, September through May. This year's meeting dates are as follows:

- March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008
- April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008
- May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2008

## Place & Time

We meet in the Carpenter Shop at Hodgson Vo-Tech High School in Glasgow, DE from 7:00 pm to about 9:00 pm. The shop is open to us around 6:00 pm. The school entrance is on old 896 (Glasgow Avenue) south of Rte. 40, and the shop is in the rear by the dust collection system. Park in the side lot near the shop; **violators of parking rules may be towed.** The evening's meeting is cancelled when the school is closed due to weather.

## Board Meetings

The Board of the Guild ordinarily meets one week after Guild meetings, on the following Wednesday. Other Guild members who care to attend are welcome.

## Announcements

Congratulations are in order for Jim Stevens. Jim has been juried in as a member of the Chester County Guild of Craftsman.

Frank Hetzell is recovering from surgery for a hiatal hernia and esophageal problem. We all wish Frank a quick recovery.

## Treasurer's Report

Balance forward at 1/25/2008	\$1856.10
Dues Income	\$315.00+
Raffle income	\$55.00+
Raffle, Gift items at 15% - 50% discount	\$355.15-
Newsletter expense	\$134.85-
Cost of Stool for Feb Presenter	\$35.00
Ending Balance at 1/25/2008	\$1701.12

By: Richard Libera, Treasurer

## Membership Dues

Annual (January 1st – December 31) membership dues are \$35.00 per member or \$40.00 for a family and include ONE mailing of our newsletter. Each mailed

copy of the newsletter costs about \$1.50 each. Dues are payable before 12/31/07 preferably by check (that minimizes errors).

**Your status of membership is indicated on the mailing label attached to this newsletter. If your date does not read 12/31/08 you will be dropped from membership and will not receive a newsletter.** Check your LABEL.

## Open Guild Officer Positions

### A new Treasurer

Jeremy Noblitt has agreed to be our treasurer. Jeremy and Richard will work together until June and then Jeremy will take over the treasurer's duties. Thanks Jeremy!

Tony Krisley has volunteered to be our new Librarian. Thanks Tony. Tony will have our Library open at the meetings. See him to sign out books, videos or whatever is in the Library.

## Benefactors of the Guild

Several merchants, suppliers and restaurants have been generous in supporting the Guild; please keep these friends in mind when you make purchases: Woodcraft, Lee Valley and Veritas, Café Gelato, Fair Hill Inn, Eagle Diner, Giordano's of Kennet Square, and the Iron Hill Restaurant and Brewery.

## Federal Style Baltimore Card Tables



Jeremy Noblitt brought in the hinge. Nice work Jeremy



Jim Stevens and Tony Albano brought in the legs and described how they tapered the legs on a planer table



The project for guild members to jointly build two Federal Style Baltimore Card Tables is coming together nicely. The guild is supplying the lumber and plans for the project and members will volunteer to build a portion of the project. When the tables are complete, we will auction them and the proceeds will be donated to a local charity.

The project is broken down into eight activities; legs, apron, top, stringing, banding, inlays, veneering and finishing.

We need at least two volunteers for each activity, preferably one knowledgeable with the activity and one that desires to learn or improve their skills for that activity.

We started with the legs, apron and top; the group gets together and builds their section of the table. If possible take as many photos as possible and we will



publish them on our web site. The group will be given a schedule to complete their activity. At completion, the group will bring their work to the scheduled meeting and spend thirty minutes in the meeting demonstrating and talking about the piece they completed. If possible they can build one piece at home and the second piece in the meeting. They will then pass the completed piece to the next group for further incorporation into the project. By the end of the meeting year, we will have two completed tables.

Please add your name to the sign-up sheet at the next meeting or contact John Dunbar to participate in this project.

Jean Batulis and Jeremy Noblitt did a great job on the apron and hinge. Jerry Sheeran and Jim Kirkbride on the mahogany top and Jim Stevens with Tony Albano did the same on the legs.

### **Classified:**

The classified section is open to any paid member. Have your classified information into Pell Sherman by the first of the month to be included in that month's newsletter. Email your information to: [Pellsherman@comcast.net](mailto:Pellsherman@comcast.net)

Dewalt Thickness Planer DW733  
Dewalt Wet/Dry Grinder 23-700  
AMT Dovetail Jig A840  
Makita 7" Angle Grinder 9207  
Best Offer call Tony Knisely 302-683-0112

Delta 18 by 36 open end drum sander for sale --\$450.00  
Slow speed Delta sharpen center with a Jointer / planer Blade guide --\$75.00  
(Guide Jig alone is \$50.00)  
Contact Jim Stevens at 302-545-6937 or [Jstevenstool@comcast.net](mailto:Jstevenstool@comcast.net)

### **Road Trip:**

Jeremy Noblitt has set up a site visit for the Guild members to visit **Saienni Stairs** located at 120 Sandy Drive Suite E in Newark, DE. The art of fine stair building with its timeless distinctive beauty and old world charm is prevalent at Saienni Stairs LLC. The company specializes in utilizing advanced technology and engineering, along with the values of fine craftsmanship to create distinctive stairs by design.

The site visit is scheduled for March 22<sup>nd</sup> Saturday. More information will be available at our March meeting. Thanks to Jeremy and Theo G. Krapels President of Saienni for allowing us the opportunity to visit. Save the date! Below is the web site for more information and some great pictures of fine crafted stairs.

<http://www.saiennistairs.net/>



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