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## Sawdust: The Presidents Corner

Erl Poulin

Welcome to all new members to the Kansas City Woodworkers Guild! We are certainly glad you've joined us.

However you found us, whether from our website, or from our presence at the Remodeling or the Woodworking Shows, or from the recommendation of a friend, we are sure you will enjoy belonging to the premier forum for the promotion of fine woodworking in Kansas City.

We strive to present programs, seminars and activities of interest to woodworkers of all skill levels, so regardless if you are a beginner or a seasoned professional (such as many in our Guild), we believe you will always find something - and someone - among us with whom

you can identify. Please bear with us, though, as we get to know you and learn your names. That is why we have the nametags, and the reason we hold the blue-ticket door prize raffle: to encourage all to wear them.

And a warm, hearty and heartfelt thank you is well-deserved and given to all of you who have helped make our booths at both the Kansas City Remodeling Show and the Kansas City Woodworking Show the resounding successes that they were.

**dust-collector and air purifier system is quickly nearing our ticket-sales goal**

Chris Kunzle reports that the raffle for the dust-collector and air purifier system is

quickly nearing our ticket-sales goal, so we will likely hold the drawing either at this month's meeting, or in April. The proceeds from this will go to provide for the purchase of tools and equipment for future hands-on programs.

## March Raffle: Chris will have his usual great assortment of items Plus there is the big Raffle Prize!

Please thank sponsoring members; noted below for supporting our Guild.

**Next Meeting Wed. March 17th, 7 PM**

**Program: Dave Kraatz**

He is also continuing the regular monthly ticket raffle, which funds our toy project. Plan on purchasing a few more tickets at the meeting, and be prepared to take home with you your prize(s), perhaps even the big one!

Speaking of the Toy Project, it is now time to be-

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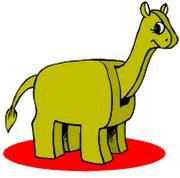
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gin our preparations for the Christmas Toy Project for 2004. Several of our Toy Captains from last year have agreed to participate again this year, although some have stepped down.

One request voiced by several captains is to have Co-Captains, to assist in each of the Toy Projects. So here again is another great opportunity to get involved in the Guild's efforts at outreach into the community. For the uninitiated, we build small wooden toys, which are delivered to disadvantaged children in the Kansas City area at Christmastime through the United Way Campaign.

We need members to agree to be workers, Co-Captains and Captains of each of the various toy aspects. If you have a drill press, you can drill out window or axle holes for the cars and trucks. If you have a band saw, you can cut out blanks for the heart-shaped jewelry hangers. If you have a router and table, you can round over the rough edges of the blanks once they are cut. Or if you don't have any tools, you can glue wheels on the trucks, or insert the pegs on the jewelry hangers. There are many opportunities to get involved in this worthwhile project, and I hope to have just as many members participate.

Due to a last minute change, the executive meeting this month will not be held at Fred Chael's home. A new location will be announced and posted to the website. Any and all members are always welcome to attend. As I mention every month, we encourage the input of the entire membership, and are constantly looking for ways to improve our Guild.

For Woodworker Services, James Childress (532-4814) is looking for some information on sharpening a backsaw. A personal friend of mine, David Sharon (816-868-5978) would like someone with a shaper to assist him in fabricating a kitchen cabinet panel to emulate the look of some existing raised-panel doors. He attempted to do it with a router, but was unsatisfied with the results.

As you have probably noticed by now, I have a great love for sign-up sheets. In fact, I scatter



them all across the front of the room and the top of the piano each meeting, and speak of them constantly. These are the primary means I have by which to judge the interest in the various projects and activities of the Guild. I

have maintained from the outset that the theme of my presidency would be that of participation, and I am duly impressed with the outpouring of support you have shown by filling my sign-up sheets.

Virtually every Guild activity which I have promoted these past two years has been embraced to the fullest by the membership at large, and for that I am grateful.

It is you, the individual members of the Guild, who have made my tenure as President a success. Of course, without you the Guild would never exist, and would never have accomplished so many great goals and objectives as we have. Therefore, if you wish for me to continue another year as president, you will just have to suffer through more and more of these never-ending sign-up sheets. But is that a bad thing? Judging from your wonderful responses in the past, I would think not!

### Shop Safety

Dr. Brad Barth

First of all, I would like to thank Jim Ramsey, the prior Shop Safety contributor. I always read his column with interest. I am sure he has saved many of us the inadvertent injury. Thanks Jim.

Next, allow me to introduce myself. I have been a member of the woodworking guild for a little over a year. I have long had an interest in safety, first as a flight surgeon in the Navy, and now as a local emergency physician.

One of the more frequent injuries I see is eye injuries. Driving nails, sawing or turning wood, grinding metal or even opening cans of paint can cause serious injuries as the following report from [www.woodworking.org](http://www.woodworking.org) attests.

#### **Accident Description:**



From an ER nurse in Wisconsin. This accident involved a plain old screwdriver. One evening a fellow came in (he drove himself to the hospital) with a screwdriver poking out of his eye.

He had been trying to pry open a can of paint and it slipped. He was afraid to remove the tool himself, so he held onto it and drove himself in. He lost the eye, but luckily nothing more.

**Advice to Other Woodworkers:** Use the right tool for the job.

Another contributor to the accident reports had this advice. “Find out what your co-pay for an ER visit is, then go spend that much to get safety glasses or face shields to place in all of the places you might need them, your tool boxes, with your portable saws and routers, and near the stationary tools.

It’s better to have too many than to risk an injury because your safety glasses are in the other toolbox.”

Please let me know any stories I can share with our members. I can be reached at [safety@kc.rr.com](mailto:safety@kc.rr.com).

Disclaimer: The information in this article is not meant to be medical advice, please discuss any concerns you may have with your physician.

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### **Program: Workshops with Jim Bany**

David Roth

Jim Bany did a program on workshops

Five of the guild members have their workshop outside in a separate building. Three fourths of the guild members have their shop in the basement. One

fourth of the guild members have it in their garage.

One member has his shop in a spare bedroom and a guild member asked if that person could talk to his wife.

Someone asked “what is a good size for a shop”? The reply: “never build what you need, it should be 15% bigger”!

Some of the other items we talked about are dust control , lighting, electrical power, and heating your shop.

A lot of the people agreed that they had a problem with dust control. One guild member placed his duct work in his floor joists, insulated it and put up dry wall to cover it up and grounded the metal tubing every 4 to 6 feet.

Another person has a 3 hp dust collection unit and has no problem with dust control in his shop. He adds that having a big dust collection bag helps. People also commented on the air cleaning machine that you hang in your shop. He has an older model so he hooked up a timer to his and when he is done wood-working, lets it run for an hour to filter out the dust in his shop.

What other disadvantages are there in the workshop? A lot of the members have florescent lighting in

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their shop. Someone commented on how to protect the florescent light (using a cage) from breaking and not to have broken glass fall down. Someone suggested to buy the plastic tubing sleeves that cover the light bulb fixture, also known as lens covers. Half the guild has 220 volt lighting in their shop.

Some people had goals for building their own shop as a separate building. Someone is building a 16x16x26 shop and some are suggesting you never build what you need. It should be 15% bigger because if you have a contractor, it won't cost much more. Someone wants to build a 30x40 foot shop (1200 sq foot) Wayne Wainwright has a 12x24x12.

Some are suggesting making it 2 stories so you can store lumber up above. A couple of people have a walkout basement for their shop. Some problems with a basement shop are when working and building a tall project, you have to be careful of the lighting that is hanging down.

Some mention that they could get a 30'x 40' garage shed and use it for a work shop from Sutherlands and thinks it is a pretty good idea. Jim Bany asked the guild members with a separate building shop. Who has a finishing room in their outdoor shop or basement shop. Most do not. Jim highly recommends it. In the basement shop have a fan that blows the air out of the shop from the finishing room.

Also discussed was how Jim Bany gets his boards flat without a thickness planer. He puts them through his drum sander. Jim doesn't bother with twisted or warped boards he just gets another piece of lumber.

A Question was asked on lumber storage in the basement. Some people have their lumber rack connected to the basement wall with a four foot pivoting door, a 6 inch width capacity and 8 foot long.

That can hold full sheets of plywood and other sheet goods. Some people have trouble bringing plywood sheets into their basement because of turning stairs. So the wood has to be broken down out in the garage with a circular saw.

Jim also mentioned about Shop Notes being a very good magazine to build things for your shop. Storage, Building things for your shop like work benches, jigs, and techniques.

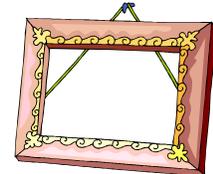
For more shop ideas, see Wood Magazine online at:

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**I know it's long, but it is worth it!**

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## 2004 Guild Activities

### Leadership Change:

- We will be voting on new leadership positions next month. The following Officer positions are up for renewal:
  - President
  - Vice President
  - Treasurer
- We have also opened a new Directors position so there now will be 6 Director slots of which 4 are open.
- There will be a list of candidates and any open positions at the March meeting. Anyone can get their name on the ballot for any position as long as it is before the April vote.

### Mentor Sessions:

- With the help of George Rexroad, Wayne Wainwright coordinated our initial Mentor Sessions and they have been a great success. Several people attended the sessions held the last few weekends. Make sure you sign up for a session at the next meeting.

### Craftsman Recognition Program:

- 10 members signed up for the Craftsman Recognition Program. Coordinator Wayne Suter will get with each member to discuss details of how to submit work for review.

### Spring Seminar:

- Wayne Wainwright is coordinating the Spring Seminar. It is being targeted to be held on May 8th in the Church basement. The team has been assembled and are finalizing the process. The item selected is an Arts and Crafts style Blanket Chest. More details will be available at the March meeting.

### Schlagle Library:

- Wayne Wainwright made contact with the Schlagle Library and the Guild is considering hosting an activity there in the Wyandotte County Lake Park. Erl and Wayne visited the site on Feb. 28th. Dates being considered are Saturday June 9th, 12th or 26th. We will need participation from several members for this event. We will discuss more at the meeting.

### Bus Trips:

- Wayne Wainwright has several "trips" on tap for the guild:
  - **Elmwood:** Several people have expressed an interest in going up to see or new Sponsor Elmwood Reclaimed Timber. Since they are so close, we would coordinate a "Caravan" rather than an actual bus for this trip. This is tentatively planned for March 27th or April 3rd. We will get your feedback at the March

meeting.

- **Wood Magazine:** The Wood Magazine trip to Des Moines is being "tentatively" planned for October 9th. The cost will be the same as before \$30. Since the August Home trip was so successful and an interest was expressed from other guilds, we are considering having 2 trips. One in the fall and one in the Spring. Once we hear back from them, we will know if this is possible. More on that at the next meeting.
- **Bob Victor's:** We have the opportunity to visit a professional Molding Maker shop in Topeka Kansas. Let us know your interest in such a trip for next spring (April) and we will coordinate a bus.

### Tool Auction

- Chris Kunzle is coordinating a Tool Auction for this summer. More will be discussed at the March meeting, but remember, any tool you donate "is" tax deductible.

### Guild Training Classes

- Wayne Wainwright is arranging the first of many Guild sponsored training classes beginning in early June. The initial class will be held at our Sponsor Woodcraft.
- These classes are designed to offer development opportunities for members and non-members alike.
- The classes will initially focus on basic woodworking skills (Using Hand Tools, Joinery etc.) Over time, they will include targeted skills development to work in conjunction with the Craftsman Recognition Program.

### Web Site:

- Want to post your work to the web but don't have a site? Have a web site you would like to link to ours? Whether your own or one you are interested in. Let Wayne Wainwright know and he will work with you to get it posted to the KCWG web site.

Want to help cut guild monthly costs? Consider receiving the newsletter via email. It is faster and comes in color. If you are interested, please send an email to Wayne Wainwright at: [wrig@kc.rr.com](mailto:wrig@kc.rr.com), or add your email to the Attendance list at the monthly meetings.

**Newsletter Deadline: 1st of the month:**

**Please send all submissions for articles, tips, want ads announcements and anything else to Wayne Wainwright:  
816 453-1073 email: [wrig@kc.rr.com](mailto:wrig@kc.rr.com)**

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## Member of the Month

Brian Kemp

### David Roth

aka - The Intarsia Guy!

As you would have guessed, David, who has been woodworking for about 7 yrs, loves Intarsia! This is his specialty.



His favorite hand tool is a Xacto blade knife because it cuts out the design and patterns with a good clean cut.

His favorite power tool is the inflatable drum sander. These tools do an excellent job of sculpting the wood for intarsia.

His favorite wood is Cherry. Why? Because it was his first woodworking project using hardwood, and it finished great.

David's most favorite project he has built is an intarsia 15th century Spanish fireplace bellows. It was his third intarsia project and he worked with a lot of pieces with just a scroll saw and a Dremmel tool.

His best deal on a woodworking tool came when his father-in-law purchased a new table saw and gave him his 1953 Craftsman table saw, with 2 extension wings on the right side and a router table and router fence on the left side.

Here are some of the Guild activities David has been involved in:

- Giving a woodworking demonstration to the Guild on finishing; Being on the Board of Directors for 2 years; Worked on Mentor List; Teaching intarsia classes with Guild members at Woodcraft; Secretary on the board; Participated in 2 of the annual 2x4 contests; Workshop Tour host; Helped 3 years at Tool Shows, demonstrating the intarsia process

His favorite Guild Activity has been teaching intarsia to Guild members and his shop tip is: When designing or drawing out a project, try to improve the design idea x 3; whether it is functional improvement or visual improvement. Improving the idea at least 3 times is the goal.



# Show & Tell - Show Pictures



Russell Clausing's a vise



Russ Amos' detail sander "toothbrush"

Zebra wood and blood wood vases with a 10-inch test





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### Meeting Minutes

**Visitors and New Members:** Gary Cross, Gary Walden, Jonathan Ward, Jesse Pugh, Larry Roimer, Travis Hall, Phil Akers; Roger Balanger, Aaron Goodman, Lin Jensen, John Johnson, Merle Krugman, Nan Melton, James Morgan, Parker Nicholson, Jim Owens, Bob Pinnock, Woody Watson and Bill Ward

#### News:

- Fred Chael donated some more woodworking books.
- A group of six guild members have done "home workshops". **Russ Amos** - box joints. **Wayne Suter** - basic finishing. **David Roth** - Intarsia **Jim McCord** - making small boxes. **Jim Ramsey** - veneering **Wayne Wainwright** - Cabriole legs for Queen Anne style furniture.
- Erl thanked Wayne Wainwright and Jim Bany for doing a great job on the tool show. Erl also thanked Jim Doyle for being responsible for getting the guild a booth at the Remodeling show.

#### Craftsman Recognition Program

- Wayne Suter is coordinating a three-stage program for anyone who wants to be a better woodworker. Skill Level ranges from beginning to advanced. There was a sign up sheet for those who might want to participate.
- Wayne Suter also brought up a finishing class that is in Minnesota in midsummer. It's the only school certified on finishing in the United States. It is a Monday through Friday Class. Wayne did this class for around \$900.00 dollars. That including gas for traveling round trip, and hotel.
- A Lady from Branson told us about a scroll saw picnic. Vendors bring in their equipment; there are also competitions, a show, and different scroll saw projects. This is a one-day event.
- Bill Webb has an updated Mentors list available. Bill also found a toy captain to help him with his car carriers.
- Erl passed out ten paid new members cards.
- Chuck Slagle has created 2 Shop safety handouts that will be available at the March meeting.

#### Tool Talk:

- David Roth used a Shop Vac cleaner at the tool show and it worked great as it sucked up the dust when sanding the intarsia pieces.
- Some one talked about a 2 ¼ Bosch router 1617 Variable speed router that he wore out when making raised panel doors.

#### Raffle:

Ray Vasquez won 2 large clamps; Kevin Mc Andrew won a 300-watt shop light; David Roth won a Stanley organization bin; Robert Pinnock Shop rags; Aaron Menning won the small clamps; Wayne Wainwright won The WD 40.

### Calendar

Executive Meetings, 7:30 pm At Fred Chael's home, 4821 State Line Road, KCMO.

Guild meetings, 7:00 p.m., Roanoke Presbyterian Church, 1617 W. 42nd St., To reach us "during the meetings, call: KCMO. (816) 561-8177

#### Executive Meetings

#### Guild Meetings

2004

January 20th  
February 17th  
March 16th  
April 20th  
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December 15th

Fred has agreed to lend his home for the monthly board meetings. All members are welcome at any board meeting. A call to Erl Poulin or Jim Bany is all that is necessary.

### Show and Tell:

**Russ Amos** brought in a toothbrush that he made into a detail sander. He epoxied on a piece of Baltic birch and put a piece of self adhesive sand paper to it, It works great he says.

**Russell Clausing** made a vise from Shop notes issue 71. Russell paid \$54.00 for hardware compared to shop notes that's around \$80.00.

Someone brought in a Zebrawood and blood wood vase with a 10-inch test tube to hold items. It has a gloss urethane finish.

**Jim Ramsey's** tool chest is made from solid walnut and walnut veneer.