Calendar

**DPWW Regular Meeting**

The Monthly Meeting has been changed to the 3rd. Monday in the Month

September 18 the Monday

**DPWW Board Meeting**

Usually the 1st. Mon. of the Month

St James Church, Glen Ellyn

October 2nd. St. James

**Activity**

Rich will hold a Mallet Turning Session at his workshop. The tentative date is September 30th.

Toy Top Turning session at Rich's sometime in October.

**Program**

September Will Brethauer

Make a Cigar Uke

From the President’s Corner

As we come into the fall season and soon the holidays, I am reminded of how much we have while others in our country are facing disasters of great magnitude and have lost everything. It’s up to us to put aside differences and help those in need. So be generous to those organizations looking for help. After all, it could be you on the short end.

Coming up at the end of September is the St. James golf outing and so far we have a foursome. There’s room for another foursome, so if interested, get yourself some partners and play some golf! This is for a good cause.

We are 2 months away (November) from the toy donations and I’m sure there’s many of you with projects in the works. There will be a toy workshops and other events, so stay posted.

The August meeting was the first to be held on a new day, Monday, with a good turnout and a bumper crop of items to the From Our Workshop. Let’s keep that up.

See you at the general meeting.

Peter

**2017 Auction**

The DuPage Woodworker 2017 auction was a successful venture attended by forty-two woodworkers anxious to offer and/or acquire a great bargain. In my judgment they found what they were looking for as the selection of items was among the best of the last ten years. The average sale price was $24 which made the sellers happy. The buyers were even happier as they now own items that are worth even more. Many thanks to those who worked to make this a fine event. Rich Rossio, our intrepid auctioneer, was joined by Peter D’Attomo, Bruce Kinney, Carl Shaffer, Don Sinnott, Harry Trainer, and Mark Wieting. There were others who spread the word. So to those and with apologies to those I don’t remember –THANKS. Jerry Johnson

**Logo Clothing**

Caps are $15 and polo shirts are $20. We now have long sleeve Tee shirts.
Secretary’s Report
Board Meeting – September 5, 2017

Peter D’Attomo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Rich Rossio, Bruce Kinney, Elea- noire Richards, Mark Wieting, Ed Buhot, Bert LeLoup, and Jerry Johnson. Reminder: Any club member is invited to attend board meetings.

The August minutes and treasurer’s report were approved.

Committee Reports

Library – Eleanor and Will are planning to inventory the library material and will contact the church office to gain access to it. Peter asked that they do another culling of the material to keep it fresh.

Prizes – Bruce reported the prizes income is on track to be profitable at year end.

Exhibits – The Darien library is very pleased with the quality of the items that we have on display there.

Activities – Rich is conducting mallet turning workshops. Each work shop will be limited to three students. One workshop is full and he is taking applications for the next one.

Toys – Good news! George Rodgers has accepted appointment to Toys Chair for the remainder of the year.

Old Business

- Draft 2 of the constitution and draft 6 of the by-laws have been submitted to the board for review.
- Facebook use is still tabled.
- PayPal use is tabled.
- It was agreed to continue the greeter function.
- The issue of members under 18 is resolved with new wording on the application and in the By-Laws proposal.
- West Chicago library demo is tabled.
- It was decided to defer any effort to locate an alternative location until after the first of the year to be able to collect data on the impact on attendance of moving to Monday.
- The nominating committee has determined which positions need to be filled.
- Ed will make the holiday party deposit at Bohemian Crystal and turn the info over to Jerry to continue the planning. The date for the party is December 13 – the second Wednesday of December.

New Business

- Len Swanson reported on the feasibility of applying the onerous on-going reporting requirements led the board to drop the item.
- Arranging a visit to the Art Institute and having a talk on their period furniture collection is being evaluated.

Special Report

Jerry reported on the results of the auction. Turnout and number of items sold were down a little but the dollar volume was the same as the prior year. This year’s auction had a large number of high quality items up for sale. More problems than usual were encountered and as a result the reconciliation process was much more difficult. Most of the problems were process problems and the deficiencies will be addressed over the remainder of the year. A training session will be held before the 2018 auction. In spite of the problems the club turned a small profit due to sale donations and seller commissions.

The meeting adjourned about 8:25 p.m.

Jerry Johnson - Secretary

Toy Makers Workshop

DPWW and Woodcraft (75th St. and Woodward Ave. in Woodridge) will be hosting a toy making workshop on Saturday, Oct 7, 2017 from 9am to 3pm. A sign-up sheet will be passed around at the Monday, Sept 18 DPWW general meeting. We are hoping to have people contribute some of their time to helping band saw, drill, route, sand and assemble toys for the Toys for Tots Christmas give-away program. The plan is to have people sign up for the morning (9am to noon) and/or afternoon (noon to 3pm) session. If you can’t contribute 3 hours even just an hour or two will help. You can also sign up by calling or emailing George Rodgers, 708-623-9038 or glrodgers@comcast.net

For those unable to make the workshop but still wanting to contribute toys we just received 5000 1” wheels and axles. We will have these available to pick up at the September DPWW general meeting. We also have patterns and directions for making toys which are available at each general meeting. If you only have some equipment such as just a drill press, etc. we can always use help completing part of the project or help with assembly. Pick what you feel comfortable doing. Any help is appreciated. We have “kits”, 10 cars already cut with the axle holes drill that just need the wheels and axles attached, for anyone who like to help with assembly.

Last year we made 1600 toys! Let’s keep it up!

George Rodgers
MEMBERSHIP

One new member has joined the Club within the past month.

Please welcome new member Don Lindstrom from Joliet. Don learned about the club from another club member and neighbor.

August Program

Will Richards gave this Month’s program. Will gave a demonstration on making a Intarsia cat. He demonstrated the proper use of the scroll saw. Cutting within the line and outside for the close tolerance needed. The different pieces would be assembled to create the image.

The different color pieces were also sanded down to give the elusión on depth to the project.

August Raffle Winners

Will Richards <> Bruce Kinney <> Ray Johnson

Borrow Some Tools

Don’t forget that one benefit of being a member of the DuPage Woodworkers is that we have some tools that you can borrow. The Work Sharp, scroll saw, moisture meter, metal detector, and Drill Doctor are available to members by contacting Wayne Maier at 630-303-1341.
September Meeting:

Cigar box instruments

Yes, you can make a musical instrument out of almost anything, from a cigar box to a cardboard box to a metal wash tub. At our September 18 meeting, club member Will Brethauer will share his techniques for building banjos, ukuleles and guitars from just about anything that can serve as a sound box to amplify the vibrating strings.

Will has brought several of his instruments to the From Our Workshop sessions at club meetings in the past, but this time he'll explain his methods for constructing them, and making them strong enough to stand up to a guitar pick. He'll bring samples of completed instruments and a couple that are “in progress,” along with photos and videos of him playing the completed versions. He'll discuss design considerations, where to score the raw materials, sometimes for free, as well as his favorite finishes.

The term cigar box instruments might sound like a child’s toy, but they have a long history and serious musicians have used them on their albums, including Billy Gibbons of ZZ Top, Ed King of Lynyrd Skynyrd and Tom Waits. And, according to Wikipedia, even Paul McCartney plays one on "Cut Me Some Slack," as heard in the documentary Sound City.
September door Prizes

**1. GRR-Ripper System**
- The Gripper is a revolutionary, universal pushing jig for all table saw, router table and jointer users. This is the first tool that grips and holds both sides of work piece during a ripping operation. Unlike a push stick or push block, the Gripper maintains balanced pressure on a work piece as it passes through and beyond the blade. Maintains a parallel, forward direction with the blade while keeping pressure against your rip fence to prevent burning. Eliminates the need to feed stock with your bare hands providing 100% protection. You can cut strips as thin as 1/4" without any special setup so there is no need to throw away those small scrap pieces. The unit can be offset to accommodate small, irregular shaped pieces on the router table. Includes main body, handle, 1/4" side leg, 1/2" side leg, center leg, adjustable spacer, stabilizing accessory plate, balance support and comprehensive user manual.
- Eliminates the need to feed stock with your bare hands.
- Universal pushing jig for all table saw, router table, and jointer users
- Holds both sides of work piece during a ripping operation

**2. 15-Piece Router Bit Set**
- Excellent quality router bits with a high temperature coating and anti-kickback design. Wood storage box included.
- Set includes the following 2-flute, Carbide-tipped Router Bits: 4 Straight (3/8", 1/4", 1/2", 3/4"), 1 Round Over (3/8"), 1 Cove (1/2"), 1 Roman Ogee (5/32"), 1 45° Chamfer, 1 Flush Trim (1/2"), 1 Rabbeting (3/8"), 1 Dovetail (1/2" x 1/4"), 1 V-Groove (3/8"), 1 Hinge Mortising (1/2"), 1 Panel Pilot (3/8"), 1 Round Nose (1/4"), 1 Allen Wrench and 1 bearing to convert Round Over bit into Beading bit.

**3. HTC Portamate Adjustable Pedestal Roller Stand**
- The Portamate pedal roller solves many woodworker’s needs for stable support and freedom of movement when using larger workpieces. Easy to assemble, it will fold flat for convenient storage. Non-slip rubber feet and a wide stance ensure stability. With height adjustment from 27" to 43-3/4", it is ideal for use with table saws, drill presses and other shop machines. 132 lb. load capacity.
- Premium 11-1/4" polished steel roller
- Wide stance with non-slip rubber feet for extra stability
- Height adjustable from 27" to 43-3/4"
- Durable powder coat finish
- Load capacity of 132 lbs.

1 Ticket for $2,
3 Tickets for $5,
7 Tickets for $10
From our workshop

Angel & Bear Intarsia Wood Art - Rich Rossio

Prototype Stools - Mike Hanes
Termite Barf (MDF) - None

Comma Clamp - Jim Harvey
Scrap Wood - BLO

Easy Carry Stool - Ken Everett
Pine (New Zealand) - Sealer

Pen - Mark Halla
Maple with Tint - Turning Behle

Bat - Tony Leto
Ash - Wipeon poly

Walnut Dresser - Mike Kalscheur
Walnut -
Recipe Box - Paul Kricensky
Red Oak - Poly, satin finish

Dovetail Boxes - Bob Baskis

Bowl for Knitting Ball - Bert Le Loup
Spalted Ash - Turners Finish

Carved Walnut Bowl - Bert Le Loup
Black Walnut - Acrylic Paint, Turners Fin. & Wax

Jewelry Box - Jerry Kuffel
Butternut, Ash, Poplar, Birch Plywood’s - Lacquer

Magnetic Dovetail & Cutting Guides - Bill Schwartz
Scrap Wood - None

Scroll saw Loader Truck - Roy Galbreath
Hedge & Wedge - Spray Poly

Step Stool - Ken Everett
Oak - Poly.

Dymaxion Globes - Mike Hanes
Baltic Birch Ply - None