



Newsletter

<http://www.midwestwoodworkers.org>
April 2015

President's Letter

Greetings Woodworkers,

Our March Meeting -- Our March meeting was held at Boone County Millworks. I was very sorry to have to miss it. Duane Perry gave a presentation on making a bench (a park bench style) that converts to half a picnic table by allowing the back to rotate and lock horizontally to make a table top. Duane brought pieces that represent various stages of construction, and also brought a completed bench.

Duane noted that he got the basic plan for the bench as a free plan from the www.anawhite.com website, and he then modified those plans. In addition to demonstrating and discussing his processes for making the bench, he also discussed wood selection, as well as finishes for outdoor furniture. As could be seen from the picture that we posted last month, these are gorgeous benches. I am told that it was an excellent presentation. We really appreciate Duane taking the time to put all of this together, bring all of his stuff, and enlighten us with his presentation. Duane, thank you very much.

Our April Meeting -- Please note that our April presentation IS NOT AT BOONE COUNTY MILLWORKS, AND IS MUCH EARLIER THAN USUAL. For our April meeting on Monday, April 27th, we will be the guests of Mr. Nate Meyer and the Hickman High School woodworking shop. Directions to the shop are given below, and WE WILL MEET AT 5:30 in order to accommodate their schedule. It is expected that the presentation will last until around 7:00 or 7:30.

DIRECTIONS: "There is plenty of parking on the east side of Hickman. Take 7th street [off of Providence] and turn right into the parking lot. Get close to the stadium and you will see a blue cyclone vacuum system and an open gate which is my shop. I will have the back door open so people can walk right in."

You will be able to park fairly close to the shop. We are really looking forward to seeing a modern shop, and how woodworking is taught to and performed by today's students.

Our May Meeting -- Recall that our May meeting will be our annual picnic. It will be held on Saturday, May 30th in the Happy Hollow Shelter in Stephens Park. We try to eat around 11:30, so arrive before that, and we should have it wrapped up by 2:00 or so. The MWA provides, and Terry Selby and helpers grill, meat (usually hamburgers and hotdogs). Please bring a side dish or desert, with enough to feed your party and an equal

number of guests from Coyote Hill. You will enter Stephens Park off of Broadway, make a left turn going up the hill, and proceed to the last shelter.

Other Matters -- I hope you all have had chances to make sawdust recently. Personally I have spent little time in the shop. With no other wood related matters to report, we leave this note short and sweet.

I hope to see you all at the Hickman High School shop Monday at 5:30. Until then, be safe in the shop and have fun.

Joe Gorman



Picnic table and benches presented at the March 2015 MWA meeting.

March MWA Meetings

Officers' Meeting, March 23, 2015

Present: Terry Selby, Ernest Hildebrand, Harrold Ankeney, Dale Andrews and Karl Haak

We discussed programs and picnic

Ernest said we need to order wheels and axles

Business Meeting, March 23, 2015; meeting at Boone County Millworks; 7:00 pm

Ernest Hildebrand, officiating

15 members present

Minutes were read

Treasurers' report showed that wood workers had a balance of \$4529 and wood turners had a balance of \$1646

Ernest said there would be no toy workshop this month and the turning workshop would be April 16th at his house

The April meeting will be at Hickman High School shop, more details later

The picnic will be May 30th at Stephens Lake Park. We will have more details later and we will invite Coyote Hills

Terry had scrap wood and toy car stock

Show and Tell

1. Harrold Ankeney showed a monster car he built

The door prize was a screwdriver and was won by Tom Head

The raffle was a \$40.00 gift certificate from Westlakes and was won by Karl Haak.

The raffle bought in \$44.00

Two Day Tool Auction in Kansas City

The KC Northland Woodturning Club sent the following auction information for one of their member's tools on April 24th and 25th:

<http://www.jimbauctions.net/upcoming-auctions>

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