



Newsletter

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July 2009

President's Letter

Gary Straub has made fine quality furniture for many years in Columbia. The finish on his pieces is smoother than a baby's skin and one cannot stop feeling the item. Gary accomplishes this feel by hand planing and scrapping before applying the finish.

Gary Straub will present our July 27th program on using and sharpening scrapers. Bring a difficult piece of wood to learn how to smooth it without tearout or bring a scraper that needs sharpening or tuning. Gary will help everyone accomplish these goals at our meeting.

The Columbia Friends of China will be bringing a Master Chinese Kite Maker to Columbia in early October 2010. They would like us to be a sponsor of this craftsman. They are not interested in any money from us (they have covered the cost of bringing the kite maker to Columbia) but would like for us to open up our shops for him to visit and see how we make things here in the States. Several folks have volunteered to host this master who started his career as a carpenter. We still could use some more hosts. Please let me know if you can help or know of some unique wood operation that we can visit.

We will have our Toy Workshop Thursday July 30 starting at 6:30 pm at the Pet Facility on Hereford Drive. We still need car bodies to work on at this workshop. The Heritage and Pumpkin Festivals will soon be here! Many more cars are needed for these two events which are major fund raisers for us.

We will have a woodturning session at my house Thursday August 6th starting at 6:30 pm. Please feel free to bring a friend, guest or relative for a fun evening.

Thank-you,
Ernest Hilderbrand

June 2009 MWA Meetings

Board meeting

Meeting held at Boone County Mill Works

June 22, 2009

Present, Ernest Hildebrand, Steve Massman, Terry Selby, Clyde Rea and Karl Haak

We discussed future programs

We discussed taking part in a national kite festival to be held in 2010

It was announced that the picnic went well

The Heritage Fest will be Sept 19 and 20th 2009

The Hartsburg Pumpkin Fest will be Oct.10 and 11th 2009

June 22, 2009

Meeting held at Boone County Mill Works

7:00 PM

Steve Massman president, opened the meeting with 19 members and 2 guest present Minutes were read

Treasurer's report \$2339.34 in checking and \$1057.33 in CD

Ernest said there would be a toy workshop June 24th 2009 at pet shop and we need more volunteers and there would be a wood turning workshop July 2nd at his house

A kite festival to be held in 2010 was discussed that we have been asked to help with. Lillian Sun described what it was and what we could do to help. More on this later.

Darren Laupp gave a very interesting program on intarsia using a foot operated scroll saw

It was announced that we still have magazines for sale

Ideas for programs are needed contact Clyde Rea or Steve Massman

We need someone to volunteer to be president

Donna Devier a guest asked about a problem she was having with routing on a box she built and several member s offered suggestions

The Heritage fest will be Sept.19 and 20th 2009

The Pumpkin fest will be Oct.10 and 11th. 2009

Ernest announced that the university was cutting down an apple orchard and the wood was free.

He said he would make arrangements for cutting dates.

Show and Tell

1. Steve Alexander showed a turned platter and bowls

2. Steve Massman showed pictures of bird houses he turned

Terry had several pieces of wood to give away and it went fast

The raffle was a right angle drill and it was won by Donna Devier

The door prize was shop mats and were won by Terry Selby

July 2009 Program

Gary Straub will present a program on the use and sharpening of cabinet scrapers. He has volunteered to help each member sharpen one scraper, so bring a scraper to the July meeting and learn how to sharpen it.

MWA Dues

Dues for the year are payable. Thank you for your continued support of the Midwest Woodworkers' Association.

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