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President's Letter

Greetings Woodworkers,

Our September Meeting -- Our September meeting was held at Boone County Millworks. It was a video night, viewing a portion of a CD of "Travels with Roy in Europe." We watched the first hour+ of a five hour DVD of Roy Underhill visiting different areas of Europe and Scandinavia. Roy showed us, and discussed, historical woodworking practices and products. The presentation was enjoyed by all who attended, and we have a lot of Roy's European travels remaining to enjoy at future meetings.

Our October Meeting/Event -- For our October meeting, we are convening at the Boone County Millworks this Monday, October 24th at 6:30. This meeting will be a fun and informal get together to assemble wooden cars for delivery to children's agencies for the holidays. We can use help in fastening wheels to cars. It is simple, straightforward, uses your hand skills, and is conducive to camaraderie, conversation, and a very pleasant evening.

Because we have an exciting program for our November meeting, the car assembly requires attention this month.

Earlier in October, we participated in the Pumpkin Festival in Hartsburg. Over and over again we heard from parents that they really appreciate us putting on this activity for their children, and that the children who have done it before really look forward to our booth at the festival.

Final total of donations from Hartsburg came to \$1859.00. We need to get confirmation from our Treasurer, Tom Stauder, but my sense is that this may be the most generous total of donations we have ever received from a festival. The weather was just exceptionally nice both days, and many, many folks attended the Pumpkin Festival. It also seems every year like the people attending the Pumpkin Festival are especially generous. I am sure we will put the money to good use to purchase wheels and axle pegs for 2017.

A special thank you to Terry Selby, who organizes our participation, and virtually lives in Hartsburg from Friday evening (to set up) until Sunday evening. Thank you also to the other dedicated members who donated all or a big portion of their weekend to make this happen.

Our November Meeting -- our November meeting will be held on Monday, November 28th at 6:30 p.m. at Boone County Millworks on Vandiver. We have suddenly two pending wonderful presentations. So we will either get a lesson in banjo making from an expert in that field, or a lesson in joinery from the incomparable, the MWA's own, Tom Stauder (could you hear the drum roll?).

That's all for this month. I hope to see you at the MWA meeting this Monday, October 24th, at 6:30 on site at Boone County Millworks, for a light and fun evening being Santa's elves, and preparing to spread happiness this holiday season.

Until then be safe in the shop, and have fun.

Joe Gorman

September MWA Meetings

Officers' Meeting

Present were: Terry Selby, Ernest Hildebrand, Dale Andrews, Joe Gorman, and Karl Haak We discussed the Pumpkin Festival and programs

Business Meeting

Meeting held at 6:30 PM on September 26, 2016 at the Boone County Millworks. Joe Gorman presided.

12 members and 1 guest were present

The minutes of the August meeting were read.

There was no treasurer's report

Ernest announced that we would have a toy workshop at the PET facility on September 27th. There would not be a turners' workshop this month.

Terry had scrap wood

The Pumpkin Festival was discussed

Show and Tell

- 1. Joe Gorman had a wooden bowl from Hawaii
- 2. Olin Hatfield showed a bowl and a snowman he turned
- 3. Darren Laupp showed a cutting board and a sunflower intarsia
- 4. Dale Andrews showed a rocking horse swing he made
- 5. Mike Gentzsch showed buckeyes and told how they were good for arthritis

There was no raffle

The door prize was a set of paint brushes and was won by Joe Gorman

The evening's program consisted of a video by Roy Underhill



Large crowds at the Hartsburg Pumpkin Festival kept MWA members busy making toy cars for children (of all ages).



Olin and Darren kept busy demonstrating their skills on the lathe and scroll saw, respectively.

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