

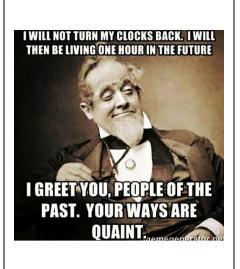
Newsletter

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President's Letter Norm Anderson

Greetings Woodworkers:

Thank you: Dean Gregory for a stellar presentation on hand planes and thank you for the great brownies (more like caramel/chocolate candy). We had a good attendance but did not do a drawing or a raffle. I was so impressed I am considering a purchase of a plane. Dean showed the differences in hand planes both in size and design and bevel up and bevel down and the reason for a chip breaker and how to set it. Mike Taylor had some great comments on chip breaker adjustments to enhance the presentation and they made some very impressive shaving on my shop floor. That was the first thin shavings in my shop as I do not use a hand plane ... yet. The use of a hand plane and true woodworker joinery is something that quite frankly I have not attempted let alone perfected like some of you. I applaud your ART. The subject of ART vs. CRAFT often comes up in conversation among woodworkers and I always wonder is what we do craft or art. I keep thinking that I am so slow at woodworking that the only way I can sell items to make money is if I call them art. My take is to make things with a useful purpose or function and I then label my work as Functional ART (FART for short) to give it a unique appeal to prospective buyers. I look at the work of others that I consider true artist:



Steve Wipple (metalwork), or many members of our group: Tom Stauder, Dean Gregory, Ernest Hildebrand, Rich Hoeppner, Bill Bass, Olin Hatfield, Darren Laupp or Don Bristow (to name a few) and I wonder what does it take to be an artist. During the sixties there was a Pop Art culture lead by Andy Warhol who was famous for a painting of a Campbell's Soup can among other paintings and there was a discussion then that "if a painting of a soup can is art - then by nature is the original soup can also art"? Why is it that all painters who venture a rendering on a canvas are called artist and yet a fine furniture makers are called a craftsman. The difference reminds of the old McGregor Master Church builder joke (which I cannot print). Are Yvon Roberts fine cabinets or is Alan Kirklink's chair art or craft – is Ernest fine turned bowls art or craft – is Darren's intarsia art or craft - are Tom Hutchinson's tree slab and cookie tables art or craft?

A quick internet search of ART vs CRAFT gave the following that I will categorize a professional BS.

Craft denotes a form of work, involving the creation of physical objects, by the use of hands and brain. **Art** relies on artistic merit whereas **craft** is based on learned skills and technique. **Art** is well known for serving an aesthetic purpose. On the other hand, **craft** serves human objectives.



Weaving, painting, sculpture, pottery, photography, embroidery, macrame, etc. is it art or craft? These are two forms of creativity that are commonly juxtaposed by the people, as they don't see any difference in them. But the fact is that art is different from the craft in a sense that **art** is a creative merit that comes from within.

On the contrary, the **craft** is skilled work, wherein there is an application of technique that people learn through much practice.

Next, art emerges from the heart, whereas craft comes from the mind. Here, in the given article, you may find all the important differences between art and craft, so have a glance.

Comparison Chart		
BASIS FOR COMPARISON	ART	CRAFT
Meaning	An unstructured and boundless form of work, that expresses emotions, feelings and vision is called art.	Craft refers to an activity, which involves creation of tangible objects with the use of hands and brain.
Based on	Creative merit	Learned skills and technique
Serves	Aesthetic purpose	Decorative or functional purpose
Emphasizes	Ideas, feelings and visual qualities.	Right use of tools and materials.
Quantification	Difficult	Easy

Comparison Chart

BASIS FOR COMPARISON	ART	CRAFT
Reproducible	No	Yes
Emergence	Heart and soul	Mind
Result of	Innate talent	Skill and experience

ALL OF THIS WAS ON THE INTERNET so it has to be true. Right!

I suggest we try as craftsman to be artists and as artist attempt to be craftsman and exercise the best techniques we are capable of and let other decide if they consider it art or craft or both. Be both a crafty artist and an artistic craftsman!

Next Meeting: CAR BUILDING EXPERIENCE @ Bob Youngquist's shop November 18th 6:30 PM (CST)

It will be on the third Monday to avoid interference with Thanksgiving and at Bob's because that is where the cars parts are at. SEE YOU THERE!

Annual Christmas Dinner Dec 9th at 6:00 pm. With Coyote Hills

Our annual Christmas dinner with the Coyote Hill children is Monday Dec 9th at 5:30 pm (we will eat at 6 pm) will be at the United Community Methodist Church (3301 West Broadway). Park in the north parking lot and enter through the north entrance. The church is located across the street from the HyVee Store on West Broadway.

All folks receiving this email are encouraged to attend. Bring your family and grandchildren if possible and someone interested in woodworking or woodturning. We are expecting 40-45 folks from Coyote Hill to be in attendance.

Meat, drinks, utensils, plates and napkins will be provided. Please bring a dish or dessert that will feed twice the number in your party.

Members attending will be eligible to enter the drawing for the grand prize. I heard a rumor that Santa or one of his elves is going shopping for this prize this Saturday. Previous grand prizes have been high end routers, professional portable drills, air compressors, spindle sanders, so you get the idea.

Adult non-Members will also be eligible to win special prizes made by our membership. You are more than welcome to contribute a prize for this special group.

Coyote Hill children will receive toy cars, puzzles, small turned wood bowls and other items. You are more than welcome to contribute a prize for this special group of children.

REMEMBER-REMEMBER YOU CANNOT WIN ONE OF THESE EXCELLENT PRIZES IF YOU ARE NOT IN ATTENDANCE!

November MWA Meeting/Christmas Toy Project

We will need to install wheels on approximately 6-700 car bodies for distribution to various children's service agencies. Organizations that we have served in the past years include the Salvation Army, Rainbow House, Children's Hospital, Mobility Worldwide, and several preschools and day care centers. If anyone knows of other worthy organizations, please let me know and we can consider including them in the future. The meeting will be held at my shop located at 4089 North Thompson Road, Columbia. Directions are as follows:

Directions to Shop Bob Youngquist 4089 North Thompson Road Columbia, MO Cell: 573-355-8235

US Highway 63 North to Vandiver Exit

Go ³/₄ of the way around the roundabout (third exit from the roundabout) and continue north on the extension of Vandiver to the intersection with Mexico Gravel Road.

Go ¼ of the way around the roundabout (first exit from the roundabout) and continue east on Mexico Gravel Road

East on Mexico Gravel Road to the intersection with Ballinger/Route PP

Go ½ of the way around the roundabout (second exit from the roundabout) and continue east on Mexico Gravel Road/Route PP

Go ¹/₂ mile east on Mexico Gravel Road/Route PP to the intersection with Wyatt Lane (on the left)

Turn left onto Wyatt Lane and go ¹/₄ mile north to the intersection with Thompson Road (on the right)

Turn right onto Thompson Road and go $\frac{1}{2}$ mile east (Thompson Road then curves north) to the intersection with E.P. Moore (on the left)

Turn left (west) on E.P. Moore (private gravel road)

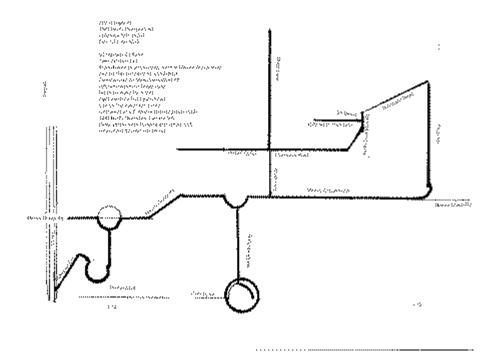
Shop is a large yellow metal building with a white roof on the left; surrounded by a chainlink fence; hidden behind a hedge and not easily seen from Thompson Road. I plan to attach a flashing amber light to the stop sign at the intersection of Thompson Road and E.P. Moore (if Amazon Prime delivers on time).

A map to the shop can be found here:

https://www.google.com/maps/place/4089+Thompson+Rd,+Columbia,+MO+65202/@38.99342

92.2484258,15z/data=!4m5!3m4!1s0x87dcc713d2077db7:0x55c9baf66d943a7f!8m2!3d38.9934 265!4d-92.2462371

It usually doesn't take too long to finish all the cars if we get lots of good help. I will also be asking for volunteers to help deliver the finished toys during the first week of December so please watch for that email request. Again, it doesn't take too long to get this done if we have plenty of help.



October MWA Meeting





Woodworking Resources

Cardwell Lumber 5927 Business 50 West Jefferson City, MO 65109 573-893-2836 retailsales@cardwelllumber.com http://cardwellhardwoods.com/ Monday-Friday: 7:00 AM-5:00 PM Saturday: 8:00 AM-12 noon Domestic and exotic hardwoods, sheet goods, power and hand tools, woodworking supplies

Taylor Toolworks

https://www.taytools.com 610 Big Bear Blvd., Suite 431 Columbia, MO 65202-3737 573-397-6432

Born Again Barns

Tammy Rosek 874 Anita Ave. Antioch, Illinois 60002

Midwest Woodworkers' Association c/o Bob Youngquist 4435 Highway PP Columbia, MO 65202 youngquistr@missouri.edu 847-265-1500 https://www.facebook.com/BornAgainBarnsAntioch/ ?hc_location=ufi By appointment only Solid wood slabs and boards, barnwood, reclaimed wood

Dungarees

10% off orders under \$200 15% off orders over \$200 Free shipping on orders over \$55 Discount code: MWAMMWT used in the last page of checkout https://dungarees.com

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