

## http://www.midwestwoodworkers.org October 2019

# **President's Letter**Norm Anderson

#### Greetings Woodworkers:

We had a good attendance at the meeting at my shop last month and had some guests who became new members. I thought the meeting went well, but I can't say much good about the presenter. I question that he knows anything about woodworking, and much less about voice-activated controls. Thank you for listening to the BS and I do hope you enjoyed the presentation and learned a little about dust collection and a little about bandsaw joinery and drunken cutting boards. We had a great raffle of a Cardwell Hardwoods gift card in great timing before their open house and included the new MWA hats. Hats are available for \$12 which is our cost for the hats (the MWA paid for all the artwork and layout) and will be at the next meeting. We made a hasty decision to start an MWA forum of Q&A to be sent out by e-mail: despite the success and proof that a Q&A forum is needed the e-mail route proved quickly to be the wrong method. I did not like all the e-mails equally with many members that complained on the forum or e-mailed me directly asking that their names be taken off the e-mail list. I am sorry for the inconvenience this may have caused, but glad to have the responses we did and more than one member said the question got answered and quickly. We will use our MWA Facebook group page to solve the problem and new member Bill Allen has stepped up to manage the Facebook page. Thank you Bill and I hope all of you that want to get hooked to the Facebook group for our Midwest Woodworkers Association Page by typing in the search bar and asking to join. I do hope our group can have a good forum and share the wealth of knowledge and experience from our members.

I hope all of you have had some time with this cooler weather to get in your workshop and build something fun and wonderful. I was able to get the Drunken Cutting Board from the presentation done and entered in the Boone County Art Show. The thrill of entering projects in art contests and







anticipation that some judge will think it worthy is both exciting and stressful. The discovery that my project did not win and picking it up on Sunday unsold was disappointing, but still fun to compete. Congratulations to Tom, Earnest and Don to name the ones I saw with winning ribbons at the show and I hope I didn't miss anyone. See photos attached.

I also want to thank all who helped at the Hartsburg Pumpkin Festival. It takes a lot of time and commitment to get there early and help build cars and converse with the crowd. I also want to thank all who built and painted cars for the kids to assemble. This event is always a great success and the donations are our best source of revenue. This year was a great success with the record contributions. Thank you again for all it took to make this a success.

NEXT MEETING: October 28<sup>th</sup>, (fourth Monday) 6:30 PM @ Boone County Millworks Boone County Millworks: (2112 Vandiver Drive, Columbia, MO)

#### **Presentation by Dean Gregory** on Hand Planes.

Dean will in his typical eloquent style discuss the history and evolution including the differences in hand planes. He will also demonstrate how to sharpen and use them. I think we will have a great meeting. We will also have a tool swap after the presentation – so look over all the tools you haven't used in a while and think about tools you may want to upgrade and bring it to the swap. You can send a description of some tools to Bob or me and we will post it in the newsletter. Tom Hutchinson has a 12" planer I have a Delta 14" bandsaw and some clamps plus a whole load of stuff that I have had stored for a long time and dusted off and ready to relocate. Bring your tools or photos and we will have a walk around auction so everyone gets a chance at the tools they want. This is a great opportunity to get rid of some tools you no longer need and purchase some more tools that you will in the future no longer need to bring to the next swap.

Remember: "JUNK IS STUFF YOU THROW AWAY AND STUFF IS JUNK YOU KEEP"

#### FUTURE MEETINGS:

We will need a toy building workshop in November to have plenty of assembled cars for Christmas. We will also need some members to get in the shop and build some cars and toys for the festival and our Christmas toy give away. I would love to see most members make a hundred cars to help. There are currently a few members that make most of the toys. Please help out for the club and make some cars or other toys and bring them to the meeting. You can cut your own design shapes from scrap 2x4 pine scrap or use some of the car shaped moldings from Terry Selby and just cut to about 2" width, drill holes for axles and smooth over the edges with router or sandpaper. These are really very nice cars that any kid will treasure for a lifetime especially when some good woodworker and craftsman makes them smooth and

Annual Christmas Dinner Dec 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. With Coyote Hills, @ Community United Methodist Church

#### **MWA Christmas Toy Project-Columbia**

We had a good weekend at the Hartsburg Pumpkin Festival and distributed approximately 800 toy cars and raised over \$1,500 in the process. Saturday morning started on the cold side but warmed later in the day. Sunday brought a cloudless sky and warmer temperatures. Business was brisk both days but the workers did have a chance to slip away for some ribeye steak sandwiches from the Boone County Cattlemen's trailer parked across the street. We will need to assemble the remaining cars at the November meeting so they are ready for distribution to various children's service organizations during the first week in December. I will be looking for volunteers to help deliver the toys. After the toys are distributed, the tubs will be empty and we will need to start making car bodies for Christmas 2020.





#### **Christmas Toy Project-Kirksville**

A gallery owner in Kirksville has contacted the woodworker's and turners' clubs and has invited us to participate in a Living Windows project on Saturday December 14. She has heard about our toy project and is interested in starting a similar effort in the Kirksville area. Current plans are to take some car bodies and demonstrate assembling the wheels for anyone interested. Hours are 3 PM to 5 PM. It might also be possible to bring some of your products for display and possible sale (waiting on a final word on this). If you are interested in participating in this project, please let me (youngquistr@missouri.edu) know.

#### **Woodworking Resources** Cardwell Lumber

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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

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