

Newsletter

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President's Letter

November 2021 NWA Newsletter –

Thanksgiving is just around the corner and there is so much to be thankful for. One of the biggest things for me is that Gretchen and I have a new daughter in law, and we are going to get to spend some time with the newlywed couple over the holiday. I am also grateful that Austin and Shelby are patient with me because I still don't have their wedding gift built, or even started for that matter. But I did buy \$200 of wood and hardware. I'm not sure why I sometimes I buy all the materials then wait months to get started, but here I am doing it again. It even gets worse.

My niece's wedding was last weekend and I promised to build her a woodworking bench, but at least I haven't bought anything for that project yet.

This all leads me to my current project, which seems never ending, of building a very large eight-foot-wide wardrobe for my church's alter server albs. The project is so large I can't even assemble it in my shop and I'm having to build it in stages, which if you count applying the finish it is six stages long. A couple of things this kind of project has reminded me of is how much I hate manhandling sheet goods, because I'm too old and my shop is too small. It also made me think about adding the word "no" to my vocabulary the next time my priest asked for something to be built.





The other thing this project has interrupted is my traditional push to complete my Christmas gifts this time of the year. My wife, Gretchen, can tell you way too many stories of me being up all night long completing a project for my kids and then going immediately to bed after the opening of our gifts. But this year I'm going to have to forgo this tradition. There just isn't that much time in my days anymore. But now that

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I have a daughter in law, I can begin to dream about making gifts for some grand babies hopefully sometime soon.

I did take a slight detour from my mega project to teach a class of three students on how to build decorative small boxes. It was fun, but oh my, three hours goes by way too fast. I thought I was organized but that class really pushed me.

I presently do not have very much clarity on whether we are going to be exhibiting at the Columbia Art League. Kelsey told me that she would have to take our photos before the panel of judges before we could have a month other than January. However, I plan to follow up again before the meeting on Monday.

This month's meeting is at Sawdust Studios on Monday, November 22nd, at 6:30 PM. I still need to set up the zoom portion of the meeting, but this month's meeting will consist of a show and tell of your projects along with a tool swap meet. I have several tools that I intend to bring, and I'm also hoping one of our awesome members decides they no longer need a certain Stanley Bailey No 4 ½ bedrock plane. But I may just have to put that wish in a letter addressed to the North Pole.

I hope everyone can attend this last meeting of the year, and please give thanks to all those people you love so dearly.

Kindest regards,

Dean Gregory, MWA President

MWA Christmas Toy Project

We have a good supply of toy cars and trucks to distribute to various children's service agencies before Christmas. Sincere thanks to all who cut, sanded, routed, painted, and installed wheels!



Woodworking Resources

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http://cardwellhardwoods.com/ Monday-Friday: 7:00 AM-5:00 PM Saturday: 8:00 AM-12 noon

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