



## Newsletter

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### President's Letter

#### Midwest Woodworkers Association

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Summer has sure announced its arrival with the extreme heat wave this week. This makes the notion of spending extra time in the woodshop even more appealing. Unfortunately, I've been spending it this time building two ceremonial flag boxes, one for my late father and one for my wife's sister, Stephanie, who recently passed. However, it seemed very appropriate to be building memorial flag boxes on Memorial Day weekend.

I'm not sure how many of the membership have gone through the process of building a flag box, but the first issue is which of the many styles to choose from. At first, I was going to build something very elaborate with a shadow box area for military memorabilia. But after speaking with my mother and then my brother-in-law, I decided to just use the basic triangle version. Luckily, I was able to use some cherry wood that I've been hording for many years that is the last of some wood that my father cut down and had milled when he returned from Korea in 1954, and I'm repurposing some walnut table leaves from Stephanie's great grandmother for her box.



The boxes themselves have not been overly difficult, other than cutting a 22.5° angle on the side pieces. But due to the limited supply of wood for each box I've had to measure four times and cut once, which made cutting such a severe angle even more stressful than it probably needed to be. But that's what scraps are for.

It may be difficult to surpass our last presentation by Joe Marschall from the University of Missouri's tree ring project regarding dendrochronology (tree-ring dating). It was awesome to

be able to hold a piece of Missouri wood that was over 13,000-year-old and to really learn how wildfires through the centuries have assisted the forest's growth and productivity.



This month's meeting will be on Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, with a tour of Moberly Area Community College's MACCLAB at their Columbia campus, located at 601 Business Loop 70 W, in the old Parkade Plaza facility. This should be an interesting tour of their facilities and a presentation on how to utilize the opportunities they offer to the community. The MACCLAB makerspace contains equipment to do everything from woodworking to metal fabrication, along with several pieces of digitally controlled machines.

The MACC website states, *"This is a state-of-the-art collaborative space that brings innovative top of the line equipment and tools to a community workspace with creative entrepreneurs in mind. The unique space allows for makers and doers of many ages and skillsets to develop and improve their trade. Not restricted to students, this space is for the community at large and will offer monthly and annual memberships as well as day passes."*

During the last few meetings, I've discussed the possibility of the MWA members assisting in building several school desks for *Mobility Worldwide's* Nicaragua project. My thought was to partner with both *Rotary Club - South* and *Be The Change* organizations to have enough manpower to complete the build very quickly. But I was unable to locate a good space to build so many desks and then apply the spray finish safely. Therefore, we will need to put this project on hold until there are better options for a workspace. If anyone has thoughts on a good space that might be available, please let me know.

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dean Gregory".

Dean Gregory,  
President, Midwest Woodworkers Association

#### **Midwest Woodworkers' Association Dues**

Club dues for 2022-2023 are payable at the June meeting. Dues for the woodworking club are **\$20.00 per year and \$35.00 per year** if you wish to join both the woodworking club and the woodturning club. Please bring your dues payment to the June meeting or send a check to the club treasurer:

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