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**February, 2006
 Meeting
 Tuesday, February 28th 2006**



The Design Process

Whether you use an existing project plan, modify a plan, or create your own plan, completing a design process is a necessary step before you start to build. Some people think of project design as just deciding what the piece should look like. Project design is a process that takes you through all the aspects of your project, the look or style, wood selection, joinery, hardware, trim details, even finishes. Essentially, you build your project using drawings, prototypes, and a lot of forethought prior to the construction stage. Think the plan through completely. It is possible to work out some details during construction, but it's much better to anticipate and solve those problems in advance, rather than taking something apart, or even remaking a piece. Decisions about concealed hardware, such as hinges, drawer slides, and fasteners, as well as decorative exposed hardware, such as butt hinges, door and drawer handles, need to be a part of the design process. If your using a support hinge that's new to you, now is the time to make a simple

You don't want to have to relocate hardware on a finished piece. Project design may seem like a daunting process, but the more involved and familiar you are with the process, the easier and more rewarding your construction process will be.

A successful project starts with a well planned design.

Stay Safe...
 Randy Watson

**Meeting are held on the
 4th Tuesday of each month**

Grace Lutheran Church
 Fellowship Hall
 4301 16th Street North
 (at its intersection with Haines Rd.)
 St. Petersburg, Florida



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What is a Guild ?

A Guild is different from a club in that members are dedicated to teaching what they know and learning what they don't.

Business Cards

The Guild has business cards. If you would like some to

Membership, Dues, Interest in Joining

You can mail your dues or bring them to a meeting.

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Secretary's Report for January Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm by

President, Randy Watson.

New guest were welcomed and asked to stand up a say a few words about themselves and their wood working goals. The guests included **Clyde Sharpe, Mert Wohlers, Denny King, Joseph Chapin, Barry Jennings, Don Wooldridge, Joe Lane, Dean Heolitac and Sam Stewart.**

Randy reminded the members and guests of our motto- *Teach What We Know and Learn What We Don't*

Randy reminded the members that 2006 dues are due before the end of February.

Richard Samay passed around a sign-up sheet for the State Fair for member to work the State Fair for the Guild.

State Fair entries deadline was December 16, 2005 and tickets to the state fair will be mailed to the participants home address. State Fair entries must be delivered to the fairgrounds on Thursday, Friday, or Saturday, Feb. 2, 3, and 4, 2006 Judging will take place on Sunday February 5 at 9:00 am

March will be highlighted by the presentation of Michael C. Fortune of Marc Adams School of Woodworking on Friday, March 10th, and Saturday, March 11th. The Friday presentation is a slide show about the Saturday topic of band saw techniques. Saturday's presentation will include a lunch break. Tickets will be on sale to members only until February 1 when other guilds will be invited to purchase tickets. The presentations is limited to the first 50 people paying. Ticket for both days are \$25.00 per person for St. Petersburg woodcrafter's guild

The Library 's Book of the Month is Wood Identification and Uses. This is a must have book for the avid woodworker. The Library has many books, magazines, plans, video's and one DVD for members to borrow for one month at the cost of \$1.00.

Resources: Joe Pettit has lots of red oak planks recycled from church pews. The lumber is stored at Joe's shop and is available on a first come, first served basis. There is no charge. There are some 12 foot by 18 inches with a slight curve due to seating. Joe thinks you can get at least 3/4 inch thickness after planning. There are also some 12 foot by 24 inch planks.

Buy and Sell: Steve DiCenso has a 9inch craftsman band saw for sale \$50.00

Show and Tell:

Jim Smoot brought a small bench with a puzzle cut with a scroll saw. Jim made copies of the puzzle for members to take home and duplicate. Randy Watson brought his State Fair entry, a scroll saw master-piece clock made of pecan and mahogany. The pecan came from a tree cut down by Randy and Bruce Hickman from Bruce's yard. Randy also brought in a cradle made from the red oak from the church pews. The cradle was built for a friend of Randy and Jo Watson. One of our guests brought in some intarsia pieces which included a clown, a hummingbird and a football player.

Open Shops: The next open shop will be February 4th at Joe Pettit's shop beginning at 10:00 am. The open shop will show the uses of a panel saw and layout planning.

Programs: Tonight program is scroll saw techniques by Randy Watson. February's program will be basic wood turning by Evanna Brening and Steve DiCenso

Motions: Ernie Barta made a motion to spend \$1500.00 to bring Michael C. Fortune to St. Petersburg for the presentation. The motion was seconded by the floor. A friendly amendment was made by Tom Barnhill to increase the amount to "not more than \$1800.00". The motion was called and carried unanimously.
The break came at 7:47

After the break, Don Avery won the 50/50 lottery for a total of \$42.00. \$42.00 went to the Guild treasury.

The Scroll Saw program began at 8:20.

Tom Barnhill
Secretary

Picnic

A sign up sheet will be passed around at the next meeting for the picnic held at Lake Seminole park on May 6, 2006 starting At 11am. Shelter number 8.

We will have an area where you can display your talent so bring out your projects finished or not to show and tell. More next month in the Off Cuts

New special Announcement

The guild now has an E-mail Address
spwoodcraftersguild@worldnet.att.net

There are a few of you who have not renewed your membership please see Bruce Hickman at the next meeting or mail him your dues.

Just think of all you would miss as a member of the guild. The up coming picnic Recognition as a member of the guild through your help with the Christmas Toy Shop. Not to mention our annual Christmas party. Access to our library, as well as, all the talented members at your disposal, for any advice you may need. Also special deals with some of the sponsors

Treasures Report

By: Bruce Hickman

Financial Statement: January 2006

Beginning balance as of :01/01/06	\$ 5377.71
Revenues	1683.00
Expenses	<u>\$-130.99</u>
Ending Balance as of 01/31/06	\$ 6851.92

Open And Toy Shop Reports

On Feb. 4th ,Tom Barnhill and Richard Samay went to the Christmas Toy Store they cleaned out some wood that we can use to make toys at the State Fair. On Feb.12 Bruce Hickman and Richard Samay were at the Toy shop taking measurements for the wood racks. We need to show our presence at the toy shop.

Open shop is scheduled for March 19th at 10am at the Christmas Toy Shop.

Building racks to store our wood and assembling toys that we made at the State Fair. We want to see more members at the toy shop. Assembling is time consuming. This doesn't limit us to just working at the toy shop, we can also assign kits. Remember this small act will impact a child's life, and your name in print.

HURRY, HURRY, HURRY !!!!!!!

Don't miss this great opportunity

There are only a few tickets left so get in touch with Bruce Hickman to purchase your ticket to this most exciting demonstration, with Michael Fortune. There is not enough room for everything that could be written about this opportunity !!!

Upcoming Events

Who: Michael Fortune

What: Furniture Design on the Band saw covering setup (blade tension, tracking, curves & resawing) useful jigs

When: March 10th slide show 7pm-9pm
March 11th Demo 8am-5pm Lunch is provided.

Where: Grace Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

Admission: \$25.00 for members per person

non-members at \$30.00 per person

There are only 50 seats available

Tickets available for this two day event must be purchased through Bruce Hickman by January 31. .

The following is information about Michael Fortune:

FURNITURE DESIGN

He maintains his studio near Peterborough, Ontario, Canada. He designs one of a kind furniture for private residences across North America. He is one of the Seminar instructors through The Marc Adams School of Woodworking. He has taught at Sheridan College, Ryerson University and Rochester Institute of Technology.

Michael C. Fortune RCA

Fine Woodworking

No. 30. September/October **1981**, p. 84. Fixtures for Steambending

No 65, July/ August 1987. p 37. Production Hand Mirror
No 159. November/December 2002, p. 116, Master Class: Shaping Curved Furniture Parts"

No. 163, May/June 2003 p. 54. "A Slim, Comfortable Slip Seat"

No. 171, July/August 2004. p 48, "Inspiration for a Bedside Cabinet"

No. 173, November/December 2004. p 66 "Five Tips for Better Band sawing"

No. 180, November/December 2005.p 38 The Favorite Band saw Jigs"

No, 181 January/February 2006. Nine Tips For Better Designs"

Canadian Home Workshop

Vol. 2. No. 1, February 2000. 'College Bedroom: Single Bed Blanket Box, Night Table" March 2001, p. 42, Simply Elegant"

February 2002. p. 45-54, "The Elements of Inlay

State Fair

Here are the winners from The State Fair.

Randy Watson 1st place, Scrollwork Table Clock

Art Mowry 1st place, Childs Glider Chair

Wayne Hymen 1st place, Pair of Bar Stools

Michael Fucile 3rd place, Poker Chip Case

Cathy Arnold 2nd Place, Recipe Card Box

Fredrick Thompson 2nd Place, Nautical Art

Larry Samluk 2nd Place, Flowers Box Bowl

Larry Samluk Honorable Mention, Walking Stick

If we missed someone please let us know so we can get all the winners listed for the next newsletter. But all those who enter something are winners !!

STATE FAIR A good time was had by all . I want to thank everyone who donated there time to work at the booth. Especially those who stayed late and cleaned up to make sure the shop was ready to go for the next day. Thank you to all the people who helped bring the wood into the fair grounds and those who helped carry wood out. We had alot of people stop by our booth with lots of questions about our group as well as the other groups. We cut out and sanded several dogs, rabbits and the reindeers. We really got alot done. We heard alot of compliments on several of the items that were made by our members.

Library & Book of the Month

Book of the Month: Storage Projects for the Router #1088

This book contains a collection of articles from router magazine. You can make boxes and chests for smaller items, such as pencils, medicines and wine-making equipment. As well as substantial pieces of furniture, among them book cases, corner cupboard and a chest of drawers. Workshop projects such as a tool box, tool chest, a and a case for router and cutters. Wow a lot of information. This book screams to be checked out.

Don't forget we have lots of other books videos and our one and only DVD.

The Guild now has a subscription to Router Magazine this magazine is available for check out at the library.

Want Ads

Guild Photographer:

We need another Guild Photographer to help Rhonda Roquetta. They would take photos at Guild meetings and open shops and special events. Share the photos with our

Guild Historian, Cathy Arnold for our scrap book.

This person or person's will co-ordinate with Board members and open shop committee. Contact any Board member or Rhonda Roquetta.

Off Cuts Reporter:

Anyone who would be interested in writing any articles or reporting on events or open shops would be great. This person would report to off cuts editors and co-ordinate with open shop committee as well as Board members. Contact Richard and Jan Samay.

Buy and Sell

Art Mowry has possession of the Sugar Pine mentioned in the Secretary's report if you are interested in purchasing any of the wood contact him. They are at approximately 4 foot lengths.

Buy and Sell cont.

Steve Dicenso has a 9 inch Craftsman band saw for sale 50.00.

If anyone has a need for Walnut see Richard Samay he has all the information.

My Name is Roy Berger . I am a retired Industrial Arts teacher from N.J. I currently live in Plant City Fla.

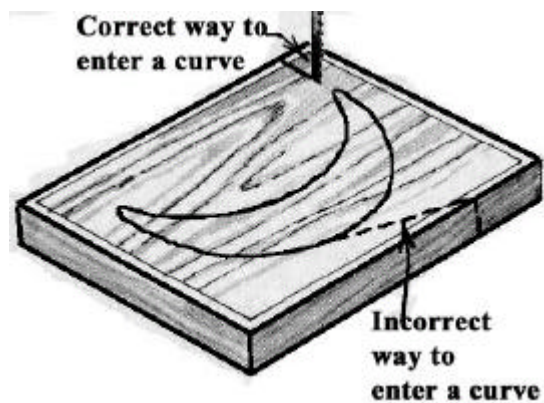
I recently attended the Fla. State Fair & was very impressed with the quality of the craftsmanship I saw in your displays at the Fair. I am down sizing my power tool collection . I am selling in like new condition , 1990 , Hegner Multi Max 18 ,Universal Precision Saw It comes mounted on its own stand with many extra saw blades. I have all the paper work & original owners manual .

This saw Lists out at \$1,250 . I am willing to take any reasonable offer for this saw . Hopefully the saw will go to a serious woodworker/ craftperson. If possible can you put this item in your monthly news letter .

Thanking you in advance .

Roy Berger , 813-431-8026

Tips of the Month Tip 6 of 10 a quick tip position the air blower no more than 1/2" from the cutting action. Adjust for every thickness of wood used. Tip 7 When starting a cut enter the pattern with the blade at a sharp point. If you enter at a long or smooth part of the pattern you will have a small bump. This also applies to where the blade exits.



The chart below is a list of toys that are complete and turned into the christmas toy shop . This is a great start but lets keep it going if you want to build some toys let Richard Samay or Jim Smoot know we have some plans also we need some to make handles. One 2X4 could make as many as 81 handles but we need someone to cut out drill and sand that 2X4 ??

Help you can make a difference

Toy	Present Month	From Last Month	Total
Dog Cart		2	2
Seal Pull Toy	4	3	7
Cricket Pull Toy	6		6
Dog Block Cart			0
Train			0
Frog Pull Toy			0
Rabbit Cart			0
Doll Bed			0
Doll Cradle			0
Repaired Toys	2	1	3
Grand Total	12	6	18

A couple of items that were to late for the calendar

The 25th annual Calusa Woodcarving show
 March 4th Sat. 10:00a.m. to 4:00pm. and 5th Sun.
 10:00a.m. to 3:00p.m.

Location is Veterans Memorial Park
 14333 Hicks Rd
 Hudson, FL.

Approx. 3 miles N of SR 52 and 3 miles E of US 19
 \$2.00 Suggested Donation Includes Carved Door
 Prizes ,Free Parking ,Vendors, Books, Blanks, Wood

28th Annual Exhibit of Wood Carvings

The Gulf Coast Carvers Guild

March 11th Sat 9am. to 3p.m. and 12th Sun. 9am. to
 3p.m. Location is 3100 Fruitville Rd. (next to
 fairgrounds) Sarasota

\$2.00 Donation to benefit Boys & Girls Clubs

Free parking Featured Artist Chau Pham

Know a business That would be a good fit as a sponsor of the guild? Contact an Officer or a Board Member.

Editors Note:

The 15th day of each month is the last day for anyone to contribute to the newsletter for the following month. Please make sure your articles or photos are in by then.

Anyone can enter an article into the off cuts or if you would like to see something else in the newsletter just drop us an email ,call, or tell us at one of the meetings.

Quote: If you want to build a ship, don't drum up people to collect wood and don't assign them tasks and work, but rather teach them to long for the endless immensity of the sea.

Antoine de Saint-Exupery

New for the next Meeting

We are calling upon the guild to use the form on the bottom of the sponsor page to supply us with questions about woodworking, These will be answered during our meeting .We will use two or three selected questions to be answered. Keep in mind that not all questions can be answered at the meeting .This is due to time constraints. If you cannot make a meeting, you can use our new email address to submit any woodworking questions you may have .If your question is answered at the meeting it will be posted in the next news letter.