

MEETING MINUTES AND NEWS

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **Board Meetings**
- **Call for Woodfest sale items**
- **Library will be started**
- **Upcoming events**

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Corridor WoodCrafters

APRIL 2017

April Meeting minutes

The April meeting was called to order by club president Michael Duss at the Cherry building. We had approximately 35 members in attendance and three new members. Welcome Steve Kalkkoff, Kayla McPherson and Jeff Van,

Problems, Q&A and help requests: A member asked for sources to have a part cast in iron Kalona and Brandon have foundries, Jim Lee's work bench is delaminated ask for ideas on how to repair it. Steaming and or a heat gun were suggested for separating the laminations. Larry Atwater asked for help solving cross cut burning problems with his table saw. Recommendations included; a new blade of the proper type i.e. use a crosscut blade for cross cut operations - stay away from combination type blades, check blade alignment with the table top miter slot, check fence alignment to blade—distance to the blade should be a few thousands wider at the exit side of the cut if using the fence. Actually using a stop block on the fence ahead of the blade is a better way to go.

Near Misses: Chuck Graybill recently used a table saw to trim his finger. He showed us the mostly healed finger, or did he mean something else.

News items: Noelridge Greenhouse is asking for help building a display case, if

interested contact Michael.



Please start making sellable items for the August Woodfest. Your donations will help us offset the expense we have for the booth space. Ideas like kitchen items, bowls, candle sticks, picture frames, whatever you care to make. Selling prices are desired to be below about \$20.

Bring items to build up our newly forming



library. Books, DVD's plans, etc. Terry Kupka has stepped up to this role. Thanks!

Michale Duss is stepping down as club president to attend to family matters in Arkansas. Perry will assume the Presidential duties. We need someone to volunteer to take over the VP slot. Please step up to this position to keep the club going. Election will be held at the June meeting.

John has asked us to not use the numbered parking spaces behind the Cherry building. Reserved for building tenants,

Winners of this months raffles:

Show and Tell \$10: Norm Russel, \$10: Don Coleman, \$15: Jim Clausen, \$20: Phillip Lashmitt

The May meeting will be held at the National Czech & Slovak Museum. A separate email will be sent out with a few more details.

John Schwartzkopf has agreed to bring treats to the next meeting.

Monthly Demonstration

This months demonstration was conducted by the club membership. You were asked to bring in your favorite tool, jig or process to share with the club. Thankyou to those who participated. Those that did not are welcome to bring in something at a future meeting. Some of the shares included; Michael D.— his favorite adze, hatchet, gouge and chopping block; Jerry H. —shaker box forms; Jeff K—Somersfeld tool catalog which is a good source for

demos; Alan A. —Book, wood fence he made; Phillip L.—branding iron for adding his name to his projects; Perry C.—Angle iron with abrasive wheel, VERITAS dove-tail saw, wood chisels; Jim -Woodpeckers speed square; Jim C.—Inkra jig he uses for cutting segments; Tom N.—pen blank drilling fixture; Don C.—Inline Industries angle cutting jig/sled; Curt L.—Dewalt router and ball socket tool to tighten bit; Jim L.—sled, shaper cutter and Moxin vice.

I probably missed a few..sorry!

There was a lot of discussion around these shares and a lot of good ideas for approaching different shop tasks.

This type of demonstration by the club is usually a big hit, as it connects the new folks to people within the club that can help them with their problem solving, tool selections, and processes. Thanks to everyone who participated!

Demos and Tours



Members show off their favorite tools, jigs, fixtures

Jerry Herman will be demonstrating his laser in his home shop. More details and maps will be forthcoming. Tour is tentatively planned for June 10th

Several other Iowa tours and in house demonstrations are in the works.

Please consider sharing a technique, tool or process with the club. Please let Perry know what you have in mind, or would like to see. A sign up sheet will be available.



The club is growing. Do you know we are now over 50 members strong?

Has anyone entered their work at the State Fair?



We currently have 58 members. We seem to pick up two or three at every meeting., which is wonderful. The Board has placed club flyers at Acme Tools. If you have a friend interested in woodworking please bring them along.

Which brings up another concern. The roster has seen significant growth with new members over the past three years. Our new members need to speak up so we can understand your interests and

Club growth

needs. Many of the demos that we have conducted in our clubs early years may be due for a refresh for the benefit of the new people. So..... Speak up.

Special request from Perry: Due to the short notice in the change to the club leadership Perry is requesting your help by replying with the following information at the next meeting: 1) What 3 things would you like to see demonstrated or discussed at

club meetings during this year? 2) What 2 woodworking skills would you be willing to demonstrate to the group? Do you need help?

3) What kinds of material would you want placed in the club library, books videos, etc. ?

Upcoming events

In addition to the regular monthly meetings held on the first Thursday of the month are several special events including:

May 4th Club meeting is at the Czech museum. The topic is face-

frame first cabinet making

May 19-20, 2017 Handworks in the Amanas colonies.

June 10th shop tour at Jerry Herman's home.

July: Tool swap meet. Good time to thin out your shop for those new tools.

August 25-27: Woodfest. Our

club will have a booth.

Sunday September 10th: club picnic with Woodturners. Spouses too!

December 9th: Xmas party. This is a combined party with the Woodturners club. Spouses are included. Bring a pot luck item to share.



Board members

President: Perry Coffman

Vice President: Your name?

Treasurer: Vern Rotert

Secretary: Mark Goodsmith

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The *Corridor WoodCrafters* is a special interest club, based in East-central Iowa organized to share the knowledge, skills, and common interest of woodworking skills and practices. Members include all levels from novice to professional woodworkers.



Show and Tell items

Tom St John Finished the burl he received from Alan Adams.

Chuck Graybill showed his box featuring box joints.

Jim West—Turned box made out of hard maple and finished with linseed oil and beeswax

Tom Nehl—4 pens, made out of various woods, buckeye burl, bloodwood, southwestern mystery wood

Larry Lubbert (I think it was) - wine bottle and glass tote made of oak with a Danish oil finish

Norm Russell—three in one booster chair/rocking chair/desk made of oak.

