

# Ada County Woodworkers Meeting

## Minutes for February 08, 2023

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The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by President Bill Nowlin.

### **Visitors & New Members**

Visitors: Kent Timmons

New Members: Freda Timmons

### **Treasurer's Report**

Bill Johnson reported the current treasurer balance is \$689.07.

### **Announcements/Discussion**

#### **Idaho Artistry in Wood and Gourd Show**

At the last show meeting, it was decided each club should provide 21 raffle items. Additional items are needed for the silent and live auctions. Bill Nowlin had some posters for members to take and put up. There were also some \$1 discount coupons. There will be a sales booth where members can sell items with a 10% sales fee to the clubs.

The club is in charge of the banquet live auction. Auction helpers are needed to show the items as they are auctioned. Bill Johnson had a signup sheet.

#### **Shriners Toys**

Cheri Henney brought sets of templates for cars she made on her CNC machine. They weren't handed out at the meeting so holes could be drilled to locate the axles.

For those planning to make cars, the car bodies should be at least 1-1/4 inch thick with 1-1/2 inch preferred. Cars must be unfinished and have no small pieces. Fir, alder, and poplar were suggested woods.

#### **Desk Enquiry**

Bill Johnson had a photo of a desk and contact information for someone who wants to have one made like it. A few members expressed interest.

#### **Old Business**

None

#### **New Business**

A shop tour similar to a pub crawl was planned for a Saturday in March with a sign-up sheet available for those interested. More tours later are possible if there is enough interest.

## Raffle

The first item was Bill Nowlin's box (see Show & Tell for a photo) won by Cheri Henney. A \$10.00 Woodcraft gift card, a piece of wood and a copy of "The Encyclopedia of Woodworking" were raffled off.

## Show and Tell

**Bill Nowlin** talked about his raffle box with a tray. He also had some bench legs for a bench he is working on.



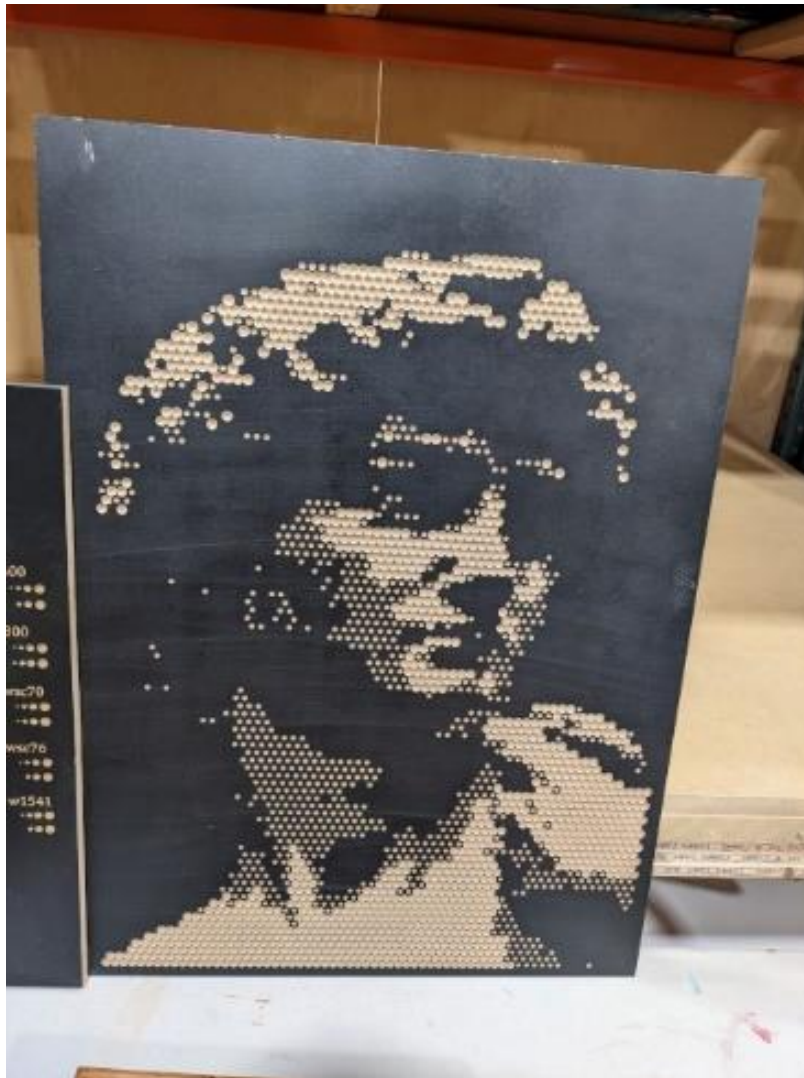
**Ron Lee** passed around a photo of a saddle stand he made for a customer.

**Bill Johnson** had a step stool he made to make it easier for his wife to see into their microwave oven which is too high for her. It is 5" high with biscuit joinery and two coats of shellac. He used a brown paper bag to "sand" it.



**Cheri Henney** had some CNC work to show. The pictures were for a customer that has software that can create CNC images from a photo using different sizes of dots cut by the CNC machine. They were made by painting a board black, then using the CNC to expose the lighter wood underneath.





**Ed Sommerfield** brought an Elephant carved as a practice piece with his new CNC machine.





**Paul Verhage** brought some cedar practice pieces he is using to make boxes and a small box with wood hinges. The hinge pins are bamboo skewers.



## Demonstration

Steve Merrill from the store gave a demonstration of the Shaper Origin handheld CNC.

Internet based design software is used to design a project. There is a basic and a deluxe version (\$100/yr. currently). There are a lot of built-in shapes and clip art is available to start with as well. Graphics can be imported. Many user-submitted designs are also available.

The tool itself is now generation 2 with improvements such as larger scanning lights. The tool is made in a Festool facility (Shaper, SawStop, Festool are part of a larger company). You can return the tool within 30 days for any reason.





The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 PM.

Alan Hochhalter, Secretary

## **Upcoming Events**

Next meeting: 6:30 PM, March 8 at Woodcraft in Boise.

The 2023 Idaho Artistry in Wood and Gourds Show is April 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> at the JUMP center.  
Show entries will be dropped off on March 31<sup>st</sup>.

## **2023 Officers**

President – Bill Nowlin

Vice President – Tim Cripe

Treasurer – Bill Johnson

Secretary – Alan Hochhalter

Meeting Refreshments – vacant

Member-At-Large – vacant