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Upcoming Meetings



Meeting Notes

By Dick Metcalf

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(Social Time and dinner 5:15 to 6:30)

Meeting starts promptly at 6:30

MCL Cafeteria

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Springfield, IL

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Club Web Site

The address is: <http://www.cawspi.org/>. You will find meeting notes, the monthly portrait, and pictures of show-and-tell items, as well as meeting and open shop schedules.

DUES

A reminder that dues are due and payable January 1st each year. If you would fill out and print the membership application that is on the web site and give or send it to Gary Smith with your dues it helps him maintain records and make sure we have the correct information for our membership lists.

Roland Folse, our new President, opened the meeting at 6:30. He said the meeting would be quick paced because the restaurant has asked that we be done by 8:00. The first order of business was a motion to raise the annual dues to \$20 (i.e. \$20 for those receiving the newsletter via email and \$25 for those receiving a mailed copy. (Only five people are still receiving a mailed copy.) The motion carried and the raise goes into effect immediately. Next on the agenda was a discussion of whether the club wanted to get a booth at the woodworking show at Collinsville in February. To get a free booth we would be required to have the booth manned at all times, demonstrate and show work at all times, etc. We would probably need three club members to fulfill these requirements. A show of hands indicated we did not have the volunteer manpower to accomplish the mandatory requirements. Roland said we have enough time available to consider and plan for a booth next year.

Bob Linksveyer announced that the Knights of Columbus will have a tool and projects sale at Marian Memorial Hall in Riverton. This event should be of interest to members of our club (see the announcement printed on our web page).

Roland said his goal as president is to get more people actively participating in the club. He asked that we organize into groups, engage in a discussion to plan the year's activities. He specifically wanted each group to come up with a minimum of four or more topics of interest and suggested presenters.

When the group meetings were finished, Roland asked the chairman of each group to read the activity list developed. Mike Mcgrath was first and reported we had suggestions for three programs of general interest to be presented by others: finishing, chair

design, and a new member mentor program. In addition, group 1 will prepare: 1.) A slide presentation on Principals of Design to be ready in March; 2.) A presentation on Hand Cut Dovetails and Blanket Chest to be ready for presentation in October; 3.) A presentation on Hand Planes for the November program.

Jim Neuses reported for the second group. He said they would like to see a presentation on 1.) Different Furniture Styles and how they relate such as Mission, Shaker, and Craftsman; 2.) Ship Building to, perhaps, be presented by Bob Fox's son-in-law; 3.) Tree Identification presented by sometime during the summer by Dan Schmoker; 4.) Tree Values for veneers and solid wood furniture and how these values are derived; 5.) Group discussions on Tool Recommendations.

Ron McDonald reported for the third group. He said they would like to see a presentation on 1.) Ladder-back chairs; 2.) Rustic furniture; 3.) Tool auction and sale; 4.) Restoration of the Frank Lloyd Wright designed Dana Thomas House; 5.) Antique refinishing.

The fourth and fifth groups were somewhat out of range for my recorder and part of the information was not recorded.

Dan Chavalier reported for the fourth group. They would like to see a presentation on Resawing on the Band saw, and Tools by a representative of a major tool company. In addition, they want to hold a giant flea market, and volunteer to hold an Open Shop by Jim Cooper.

Gary Smith spoke for the fifth group. They wanted to have a discussion on building a shop bench, grading lumber, building a spray booth, a presentation and discussion on comparison and differences between spraying, brushing on, and wiping on a finish.

Rolland asked all groups to turn in their summary sheets at the close of the meeting. He will collate the information and present his findings to the club in the near future. He also asked for volunteers to hold open shops and the following four members said they would: Jim Neuses, Jim McCormick, Jim Copper, and Dan Chavalier.

Bill Berghoff, our newest club member, was introduced. He is a firefighter living along Mechanicsburg Road just outside Springfield. He has acquired enough tools to get him started in woodworking.

Show and Tell

Dick Metcalf presented a cherry picture frame with mitered and splined corners. The frame housed a photograph on canvas of a favorite family painting. The photograph duplicated the colors in the original painting when Dick adjusted the white balance in his camera. Capital Printing in Springfield did the pictures on canvas.

Ray Brown presented a child's upholstered rocking chair made from white oak. This was the same rocker plan he developed in 1945 and, since then, made about 50. Ray says he spends about 30 hours a week in his shop and, "that ain't bad for someone 93 years old".

Rolland Folsie presented a table made of cherry and having raised top made of figured elm. Brackets attached to the base allow the top to expand and contract without damage to the frame.

Mike Cortelyou presented a medallion he made for his bedroom outfit he started "in the last century". His wife had requested some calligraphy or writing on it. Mike recently found the writing he wanted place on the medallion; however, the writing was too small for the scale desired. Mike showed us how he changed the scale using graph paper and cut into plywood. He used a router with template to route in the word, "love".

Jim Neuses discussed two of his projects. The first was an island constructed of pin oak for a duplex. The island has 8 dovetailed drawers, and raised panel doors made in part with oak plywood purchased from Pawnee Lumber. The second project consisted of two tables made from red oak, both 3 ft. wide, one of which was 8 ft. long and the other was 11'-6" long. They are to be placed in different Chicago fire department houses and have the departments official logo carved into each table top. Finally, the table tops will be finished with poured in place epoxy.

Upcoming Meetings and Programs See the CAW web page for the current listing.