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Feb 1, 2011 Meeting **Social Time 5:15 to 6:30** Meeting starts promptly at 6:30 MCL Cafeteria 2151 Wabash Ave, Springfield

Program Building Kitchen Cabinets Presented by Bob Fox

> **February Open Shop** To be Determiined

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Jan. Meeting Notes By Dick Metcalf

Ron McDonald, our new president, called the meeting to order at 6:30.

Announcements:

- New officers for this year are President Elect Jim and Diana Copper; Treasurer Jim Roles.
- John Sheedy had a stroke and is home after several days in the hospital; he cannot speak at this time.
- The St. Louis Woodworking show, Collinsville, is scheduled for Feb 11-13. Roland has done the advanced work for our club to participate at the show. He reserved a 10" x 20" booth so we may show and display our craft. We are required to have volunteer members at the booth at all times answer auestions. and we can concurrently solicit new members. addition, we are to have members make two or three presentations at our booth for what's been, called "roaming seminars." These are, say 20 minute talks on subjects of interest to the woodworking public. Several CAW members have already volunteered and we would like to have more volunteers. We have an opportunity, by participating in this show. to become better known and to recruit new members.
- Roland and Bob Fox will have a commercial booth next to the CAW booth for the purpose of demonstrating and selling their slot mortiser.
- Marc Adams will be with us on Jan 7 for a dinner meeting at MCL where he will give a talk and answer questions. He will also be here on Jan 8 to make presentations —on veneering and joinery—at the Copper's shop located in Buffalo.

The January Planning Meeting

CAW members broke up into groups to discuss the entire program for 2011. Each group designated a spokesperson and came up with ideas and suggestions for feature presentations required for nine meetings during the year.

The first group made the following program recommendations: a presentation of slides on the Frank Lloyd Wright's Taliesin; closet design and cabinetry; inlays; estimating yields of board feet of lumber from trees in the field; recommendations for woodworker computer software programs.

The second group made the following recommendations: a presentation on finishing from preparation to staining or dyeing; the use of recycled lumber for constructing; various projects to be presented by Dennis Gross; a field trip to Effingham to see places of interest; another special event with a well known woodworker brought in to make the presentation.

The third group made the following recommendations: a presentation on tool making, including lathe tools, made by Walter Black; shop layout design; jigs used in the shop to be presented by Mike McGraw and others; another homework project for all members to complete and bring in to discuss; a program on photography to show off your work; a program to teach us upholstery.

The fourth group recommended a program on building kitchen cabinets; constructing a vacuum press and projects applicable for use with the bag; period furniture and how to carve such items as legs for a low boy; table construction with inlays, etc.; card scraper usage; Kreg Jig construction practice; Summer tree identification; picture frame construction.

By popular demand, Bob Fox volunteered to present the February program on building kitchen cabinets.

Show and Tell

Norm Koerner showed us some new dust collection items, spring clamps, and connectors. **Dan Schmoker** showed us a bed post he found in an alley and the missing parts he carved to make it complete for use.

Jim Copper showed us an end table with magazine racks on the side, with a veneered top.

Dinner with Marc Adams

A relatively large number of club members came for a chance to meet with Marc on Friday, the night before the special event at Copper's shop. Marc gave us an hour's presentation of stories about himself, how and why he developed the Marc Adams School of Woodworking in Indiana, and what he was going to present to us the next day.

Some of the highlights were: Veneering work will only continue to grow in this country. It's a matter of economics. An average log will yield about 207 Bd ft of lumber and \$700 in revenue to be split many ways, whereas the same tree would yield 17,000 sq ft of veneer and substantially more money. Marc never planned on becoming a woodworker, but when he purchased a Shopsmith and his father died, he started to use the machine to make items to sell to pay off his debts. He started his business as a cabinet maker in 1989. He also worked for the government and traveled extensively overseas. When his first child was born he wanted to get home as quickly as possible, but a man begged him to stay for a few days to discuss his woodworking business and even offered Marc his daughter if he would stay. This incident made Marc think about his purpose in life and realized he needed to go back home and teach woodworking. That's when he sold off his cabinet shop and started his school. All of his big machines used in cabinet making were sold and replaced with small machines and hand tools. Today, his school has grown to have 80 instructors with 3000 students per year. He is widely known for his marguetry work having designed and built furniture for his children with eye catching Disney caricatures imbedded in the wood veneer. He says he is a very lucky man and credits his success to his faith, family and friends.



Joinery

Thanks to Marc Adams, CAW Members were treated to a Special Event of Learning.
Marc's lectures and demonstrations were very meaningful: he got us to think in new ways and answered every question we had. We left having a much better understanding of Joinery and Marquetry.



Friday Dinner



Special Event with Marc Adams



Marquetry

Thanks to Jim and Diana Copper for providing our club a terrific place to hold the Special event.
Thanks, also, to the club officers-especially Roland Folse and Ron McDonald-who made most arrangements



Fun moment at the event

The pictures shown in this newsletter were provided by Ron Macdonald, Chuck Frank, Wayne Lovern and Diana Copper. Many thanks. More pictures can be seen here.