

From the President's Corner



Peter D'Attomo

January 2017 President's message

I begin this year by thanking the 2016 board members,

But especially Ed Buhot for his unselfish work as president. The past 2 years have been enjoyable, and made easy because of the board and their president's hard work to insure all went as planned.

This club has lasted over 20 years with the notion that serving the members for the greater benefit of all is instilled in the goodness we all have and part of the club motto.

"Learning by Sharing"

I follow the path laid down by our predecessors to guide this club so future members will know of us and remember whatever they learned and the camaraderie they shared.

My goals this year is to continue and help improve this club where possible. The future belongs to us now who will lay down the path for the next generation of woodworkers. The club motto is "Learning by Sharing", but to do that we have to "share our learning." So I'm challenging you to get involved.

There are some very interesting events and topics from our programs for this year and will share that as soon as possible.

We'll improve the web site, explore improving the video system.

A video of the DPWW has been finalized by Whit Anderson and Mark Wieting that I'm sure will receive praise for their vision, execution and hard work on the project.

I look forward to an exciting eventful year.

Happy New Year!

Peter

Calendar

DPWW Regular Meeting

Usually the fourth Wednesday (Meeting location on the last page of the Newsletter)

January 25th
February 22nd
March 22nd
April 19th 3rd wk , Tentative
May 17th 3rd wk
June 28th.
July 29th Auction

DPWW Board Meeting

Usually the 1st. Mon. of the Month

St James Church, Glen Ellyn
February 6th, St. James
March 6th, St. James
April 3rd, St. James
May 1st, St. James
June 5th, St. James

Activity

January 28th. Lee Nye shop tour

Program

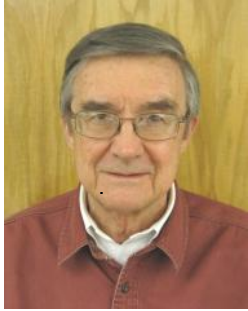
David Coulthard & Douglas Ward are guest speakers. (pg 4)

COMING WOODWORKING EVENT

Milwaukee Woodworking Show 2017
10 Mar 2017 - 12 Mar 2017
[Wisconsin Exposition Center](#)
[West Allis](#)



Secretary's Report Board Meeting – January 10, 2017



Jerry Johnson

Peter D'Attomo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mike Kalscheur, Stan Anderson, Rich Rossio, Will Richards, Eleanor Richards, Bruce Kinney, Lee Nye, Ed Buhot, Mark Wieting, Bert LeLoup, Whit Anderson, Mike Perry, Dave Brearley, and Jerry Johnson. Reminder: Any club member is invited to attend board meetings.

The December minutes and treasurer's report were approved.

Lee presented his proposal for the 2017 budget and led a discussion that culminated with an approved budget. Lee has invited three club members who were not on the 2016 board to serve as an audit committee.

Secretary's Communication

-The constitutionally required review of the constitution and by-laws for members new to the board was postponed due to his leaving the material in the kitchen at home. The material will be emailed with discussion to answer any questions at the February board meeting.

-The constitution requires the constitution and by-laws to be reviewed every five years for purpose and applicability. Jerry will chair a three-member committee to do this. Ed Buhot and Mike Kalscheur will make up the remainder of the committee.

Presidents Communication

-Peter noted that the website can be an effective tool for current members as well as prospective members but needs some work. The budget proposal includes a small increase for this to provide for some non-member activity if needed.

Committee Reports

Membership – Membership has reached 175 per Mike. About 70% have renewed for 2017 and reminder letters have been sent.

Prizes –Peter named Bruce as leader of the prize committee. Door prizes are in hand for Jan and Feb. They plan to increase the value of the prizes for this year to incent greater participation. Color descriptions of each month's prizes will be distributed by the Membership Chair prior to the meeting.

Publicity - Both the Daily Herald and Suburban Life newspapers ran pictures of Stan and the toys after our November presentation to the various recipient organizations. Peter said the Keith has a medical issue that will prevent him from serving as Publicity Chair for about two months. Someone will serve on an ad hoc basis as the need occurs.

Toys – We still need a lead person on the toys committee.

Newsletter –We will try to get more information on the meeting schedule into the newsletter. Peter is meeting with St. James scheduler Friday and will provide the latest information to Bert.

Exhibits – Some libraries are still willing to host short term exhibits of the wood projects. Wheaton will do it for February; Peter will collect projects.

Activities – Rich and Mark have three shop visits lined up and Lee volunteered during the meeting. His is tentatively in February. There is a saw mill in the plan as well. Publicity for the members will be via email and by the newsletter if time permits.

Programs – The goal of Rich and Mark is to announce programs two months in advance throughout the year. Rich described some of the possibilities and it promises to be an excellent year for the club members.

Audio/Visual – Mike Perry was welcomed to the group. There was a discussion of how much the audio portion of the A/V improved after our acquisition of upgraded equipment. It was the feeling of the group that the video could be improved substantially as well. The budget was tweaked to accommodate modest acquisitions.

Old Business

-Jerry reported 45 members/guests attended the holiday party. Fifty-two people had reserved slots but conflicts and illness reduced the number that could actually attend. After discussion it was decided to hold the party at the Bohemian Crystal again in 2017. Ed will reserve the spot for 60 people to be held Wednesday, 6:00 to 9:00 pm, December 13, 2017.

-Mark introduced the club promotional video and described the process that Whit and he had used in its production. After viewing the actual video the two received enthusiastic applause for a fine product. It will be shown at the general meeting to get comments from the other members before posting it to our website and YouTube.

-Ed reported that he had delivered the Christmas gifts to the St. James staff.

New Business

-We briefly discussed the idea of designating a greeter for each general meeting. The purpose would be to seek out the guests to welcome them personally, show them where the coffee/snacks are, and answer any questions. A final decision was not made but Dave will give a trial.

-Mark reported that Mark Miller needs to move his shop and is interested in hosting a "garage" sale limited to our club



members. Mark will investigate further.

-An agenda item to establish individual officer email that would not change from year to year was tabled due to lack of time. This would be identical to the solution Ed introduced while president. Now Peter is using the same address. No brochure changes required.

The meeting adjourned about 8:45 p.m. The February 6 board meeting will be chaired by Dave Brearley as Peter will be out of town. Ed will get the key.

Jerry Johnson, Secretary



Stan Anderson

January Toy Meeting 2017

Starting the new year with the toy program. Its time to get those tools sharpened and decide what toys you are going to make. Again we have plans, wheels and axles for those interested in making wheeled vehicles. But we still need some fresh ideas for little girls. How about some keeper boxes.

Maybe some pull toys for younger kids. Your creative plans are always welcome.

Now is the time in those cold winter days to get motivated to plan and make toys before warm weather sets in.

Keep those chips flying

Stan needs help with the toy program, It may take time but it is well spent. Volunteer Now. Don't wait.

Mike Kalscheur



The club had 3 new members join within the past month.

Please welcome new member **John Roland** from Westmont. John learned about the club from another member. John has some woodworking experience with projects such as end-grain cutting boards and outdoor furniture.

MEMBERSHIP

Also welcome new member **Bill DeRonne** from Elmhurst. Bill learned about the club from an on-line search. He considers himself a beginner woodworker, and has taken 8 different classes at the Chicago School of Woodworking (<http://chicagowoodworking.com/>).

Also welcome new member **Jeff Kramer** from Westmont.

REMINDER:

If you have not yet renewed your club membership for the 2017 year, the \$25 dues can be paid (cash or check) at the January meeting. Alternatively, send a check (payable to Dupage Woodworkers) to Mike Kalscheur. Please include the membership renewal application form you should have already received in the mail. Update any changes in your contact information on the form.

Borrow Some Tools

Don't forget that one benefit of being a member of the DuPage Woodworkers is that we have some tools that you can borrow. The Work Sharp, scroll saw, moisture meter, metal detector, and Drill Doctor are available to members by contacting

Wayne Maier at **630-303-1341.**

Shop visit for Jan. 28

Save an hour or two for a shop visit at Club Treasurer Lee Nye's shop on Jan. 28, from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. Lee has an extensive shop in his basement and he makes fine period furniture, including, in recent years, a Boston block front chest of drawers and a Philadelphia slant-top secretary desk. Like many of our members, he chooses his woods carefully and has the techniques to turn them into unique pieces. Coffee and doughnuts will be available, and if people stick around long enough, perhaps a lunch at a local restaurant could be on the schedule.

Lee's address is

828 Glenmore Ct., Naperville

If you need directions [perhaps you've had a divorce from Siri] call Mark Wieting at 630-699-3332.



Lee Nye



Mark Wieting

Programs

January Meeting Speakers

Two of the principals involved in the Midwest Woodworking School in Des Plaines will be our featured speakers in January. **David Coulthard** hails from the North of England. A fifth-generation carpenter joiner and cabinetmaker, David started his apprenticeship as a carpenter and joiner at the age of 16. Graduating from the Darlington College of Technology in 1984, he attained the Advanced Craft Certificate in Carpentry and Joinery from the City and Guilds Institute in London. He also received certification from the Institute of Carpenters. In 1998 he attained a certificate in construction management from the Chartered Institute of Builders. In 2000, David moved to Chicago to work as the construction manager for the US subsidiary of Town and Country Conservatories UK, managing the installation of fine glass buildings built in Norfolk,

England. David still consults for Town and Country US, whose office is in the Ravenswood area of Chicago.

Paul has spent the last 13 years building custom stairs in homes and other buildings in the Chicago area. He will speak about the key techniques and challenges in designing and building staircases, as will show examples of his work.

Douglas Ward is a native of the Chicago area. Starting from a background in the worlds of IT and music, Douglas came to woodworking later in life, and around 2009 he did what many DPWW Club members would like to do: he followed his passion for woodworking and trim carpentry, and 2013, he established his own furniture studio of DCW Woodworks, and has been eagerly building furniture for clients. He loves learning traditional methods and hand tools, and blogs about his woodworking journey at dcwoodworks.com. Along with all of this, he has made furniture for his Craftsman era home from his home shop in the Avondale neighborhood of Chicago.

Douglas will speak briefly about the Midwest Woodworking School and its capabilities and its needs



David Coulthard

Coffee Makers

Gotta have coffee at the meetings! Thanks to those who pitched in at the Last meeting

Anyone is welcome to make coffee. Just arrive a little after 6:00 and join the fun with others preparing coffee, cookies, and cleanup after

Logo Clothing

Caps are \$15 and polo shirts are \$20. We now have long sleeve Tee shirts.

2016 Christmas Party Pics





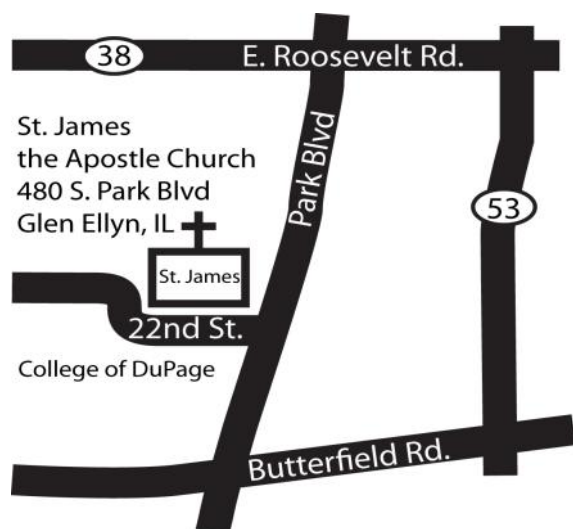
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| Library Display | open | | |

DPWW Meeting Location



New Members

The DuPage Woodworkers welcomes members from all over the region. Our members consist of all skill levels; from beginners to professionals. Meetings and field trips provide an opportunity to gain and share knowledge about woodworking. Our regular meetings are once a month for about 2 1/2 hours. Meetings (usually the fourth Wednesday of the month) consist of some announcements about activities, a short discussion of any woodworking problems that members want to ask about, a drawing for woodworking prizes, and a presentation on some aspect of woodworking.

If you are interested in joining the DuPage Woodworkers, you are invited to attend a meeting. If you become a member, dues are twenty-five dollars per year. Membership entitles you to attend meetings, to go on field trips (shop visits, woodworking businesses, etc.), and a discount at several [local woodworking supply companies](#).

Any questions about the DuPage Woodworkers, Please contact Mike Kalscheur 630-510-7880 Email Michael.Kalscheur@sbcglobal.net