Calendar

DPWW Regular Meeting

<u>Usually the fourth Wednesday</u> (Meeting location on the last page of the Newsletter)

May 17th 3rd wk June 28th. July 29th Auction

DPWW Board Meeting

Usually the 1st. Mon. of the Month

St James Church, Glen Ellyn

June 5th, St. James

Activity

Shop visit

May 27 June 17 Jim Arendt Jack Harkins

<u>Program</u>

Rich Rossio Make a pen, using only the lathe



Peter D'Attomo

From the President's Corner

I met last week with Fr. David and representatives of St. James garden initiative for refugees.

The gardening project is to start within the next 2 weeks and will involve the club to donate some material and a minor amount of labor. As recipients of a great gift we receive from the parish, the use of their facility, it's important that the members show their appreciation by helping out, one hour of your time. The specific date has not been set and will be broadcast as soon as possible.

On another note, the St. James golf outing will happen soon, and last year the club donated many items. If you care to donate this year, please let me know.



Rich Rossio

Programs

You could be a winner!

Have you ever cut a pen blank and not used a saw? Come to the May meeting and find out how.

On May 17, Rich Rossio will demonstrate how to make a ballpoint pen using only the lathe to cut the wood to length, drill the body, turn the body, finish the wood and assemble the pen.

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As club members enter the meeting, you'll be given a ticket for a drawing. The winner will get to select the wood and pen kit for Rich to work on in his demo, and receive the finished pen upon completion. If time permits, he'll do more than one pen.

Rich estimates that he has made upwards of 30,000 pens in his career, so he knows what he's talking about.

The May meeting will also feature a new video set-up, using a second video camera that should provide excellent close-ups of the turning demonstration.

Logo Clothing

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



Jerry Johnson

Secretary's Report Board Meeting – May 1, 2017

Peter D'Attomo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mike Kalscheur, Rich Rossio, Bruce Kinney, Lee Nye, Ed Buhot, Bert LeLoup, Whit Anderson, Eleanore Richards, Tony Evansky, Jack Pine, Jim Harvey and Jerry Johnson. Reminder: Any club member is invited to attend board meetings.

The April minutes and treasurer's report were approved.

Committee Reports

Membership – Mike reported one new member joined resulting in total current membership of 157.

Library – Eleanore reported that Will has one new book on order.

Prizes – Bruce reported he has acquired door prizes for meetings through June. Peter has acquired several Rockler gift certificates to hand out. Rockler is looking for woodworkers who are willing to conduct demonstrations in their stores.

Newsletter –Bert will miss FOW and Lee will take some FOW shots for the newsletter. Bert and Peter are planning an exhibit for Indian Prairie Library in September. The request for display items will go out in August.

Activities – Rich has plans for shop visits hosted by Ken Everett on May 6 and Jack Harkens on June 17. He also is arranging a rabbit plane making workshop to be led by Chris Yonkers – tentative date July 22.

Programs – Rich will be the speaker at the May meeting. He plans on conducting a drawing at the beginning of the presentation and the winner will specify what pen to make and what material to use. With the exception of gluing the tube in place, all operations will be performed on the lathe. The drawing winner will receive the completed pen.

Audio/Visual – Peter reported Mike Perry has all material and the two-camera system should be operational in time for the June general meeting

Old Business

-The church's need for help with a garden project involves providing the wood borders and helping with putting compost and sand in place – a one day

project. The club will provide the material and help with labor,

-Jerry described the work thus far on the revisions to the constitution and by-laws. The committee will meet on May 11 to develop a proposal to present to the board and a schedule for approvals by the board and membership.

New Business

- -The will be having the annual golf outing in late summer. Peter will prepare a call for donations of wood projects for the outing.
- -The auction will be held on July 29 this year. Jerry will provide a short announcement for the newsletter.
- -The July board meeting will be moved from July 3 to July 10.

Special Presentation

-Whit presented the progress he and Jim Harvey have made on revising the website. The main objective has been to make it more user friendly, especially for those who are responsible for keeping it up to date. The idea is to spread the responsibility by moving much of the updating work from the webmaster to the people who generate the information for the site. They showed screen shots of their work at this point and it looks like they are making the process easier which will encourage more frequent updating and consequently making it more useful to members and general woodworking population who may be interested in the club. They received a well-earned round of applause at the conclusion.

Adjourned 7:59 p.m.

Jerry Johnson, Secretary

The Auction Is Coming! The Auction Is Coming!

Yes, the auction is coming; and it is back to the last Saturday in July. This year's date is **July 29, 2017.** Now is the time to start taking stock of what you have collecting dust and polish it up for sale to generate cash to buy something new. When you have items that you know you will be offering at the auction, please send me a brief description of the most desirable ones and I'll mention them in the next Newsletter. The more attractive items we can identify in advance, the more bidders will attend.

The annual action will be held at St James the Apostle Church, 480 S. Park Blvd, Glen Ellyn starting at 9:00 am with setup beginning at 8:00 a.m. Jerry Johnson jlj1625@aol.com.



Mark Wieting

April Program

April 19 focuses on hand tools—lots of them

At the club's April meeting, Chris Yonker of CME Handworks and Black Kat Ukelele brought his full tool chest, "about 200 lbs worth," most of which he's made himself, along with the tool chest. As he pulled out tool after tool, he commented on how they were made and how he uses them.

A little like clowns coming out of the small car, the tools kept piling up on the display table. A small sample—planes: block plane, smoothing plane, Dutch smoothing plane (patterned after a 1600s model), jack plane, jointer (23 ½ inches long, to fit into the tool chest), rabbit planes from 1 ¼ inches down to ¼ inch, inletting plane, router planes (two sizes), fillister plane with a fence for cross-grain dadoes, and a miter plane for use with a shooting board. There were plenty of saws, again hand-made, including a #10 brass backed dovetail saw: "the best saw I've ever owned." He noted that the chisels weren't home made, but he'd modified them all, including grinding the sides to accommodate tight fits into dovetails.

He turned to a demonstration of sharpening scrapers, a term he's not fond of--"it seems crude for a tool that is really a fine cutting tool." He makes his own, generally from old saw blades, ground to size. For sharpening, he uses a Corian® base with self-adhesive sandpaper on top ("but only to hold the other sandpaper I use on top of it. The adhesive stuff is too expensive to sharpen with"). Grits range upwards from 600, even to 2500. Holding the scraper in line with the base, he moved it away from himself several times, raising a burr on each side, which he finished off with a burnisher, moving from perpendicular to the scraper to a more acute angle, putting a sharp cutting edge on the scraper.

He recommended bending the scraper during use, and he generally pushes away from his body. He said pulling toward yourself is fine as well. He noted the fine shavings he was creating and said a scraper does a better job than "your random-orbit sander." He noted that "your thumbs take a beating so you can use a holder." They are available from Stanley, Lee Valley and others, or as he has done, "you can make your own."

Yonker can be reached at chris.yonker64@gmail.com or on Facebook at CME Handworks, where there are numerous





May Toy...Copy & print it out for your shop

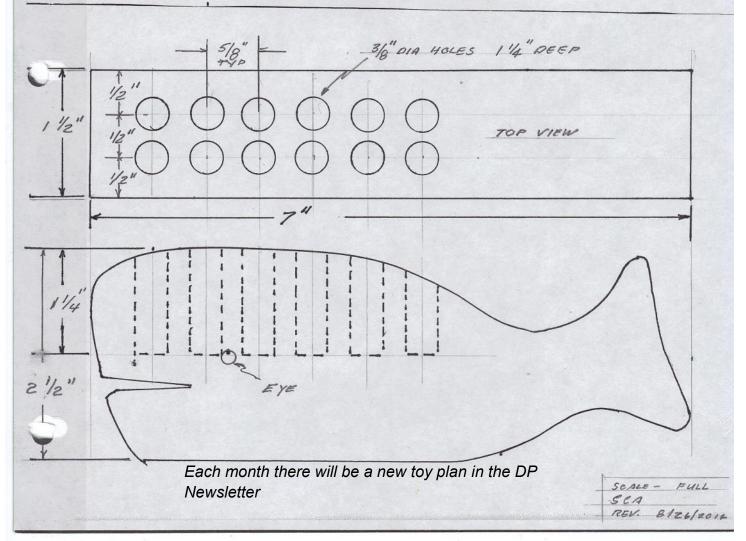
Whale Crayon Holder Operation Sheet

Material -2" ½" x 7" ¼" x1" ½" board Poplar or other close grained wood.

Equipment Required: -Band saw, drill press, Router.

Operations:

- 1. Cut wood blank to size noted above
- 2. Using a square locate and mark hole spacing on the top of the workpiece. (see plan below.)
- (see plan below,)
 3. Locate and draw lines ** from both edges on top of the workpiece The intersecting lines are the center points where 3/8" holes will be drilled. Mark these points with an awl. (workpiece is still a square block).
- 4. Drill 3/8" holes 1 1/4" deep, (12 holes).
- Using whale template trace outline of whale on the workpiece. Be sure holes are toward the front. (mouth). Mark eye and mouth locations.
- 6. Cut whale profile and mouth. Drill eye location. Both sides.
- 7. Sand all sharp edges or route with 1/8" router bit.



MEMBERSHIP

The Club had one new member join within the past month.

Please welcome Bob Little from Berwyn. He learned about our club from another member who also lives in Berwyn. Bob has done case work construction and also builds toys.

April Activities!

Wow, We had 2 great shop visits sense the last meeting in April. Here are some photos from Dave Reilly's shop. Looks like there were no photos taken at Ken Everett's shop. Sorry about that! Here are some of his projects.



Dave's Carvings



May door prizes & April Winners!

The door prizes for the May meeting are;

- Bosch Variable Speed Jigsaw.
- 15 Bit Set of 1/2" shank Router Bits.
- 25 Pc Brad Point Bit set.



Jim Scudder Brian Glynn & Bruce holding Wayne Maier's prize



Ken Everett's work



From our workshop



Jack Harkins Vase



Mark McCleary Viking Bowls



Will Richards Wood tuned Whistles



Lee Nye Scalloped Band Saw Box



Bob Bakahis Cold air return Plywood & Fretwork Box





Roy Galbreath Bulldoser



David Brearley Sr. Swift Alps marquetry

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Will Brethauer Dachshund



Bill Hoffman Tall Dresser



Don Hoffman Tooth pick holders



Bert Le Loup Pegasus Whirligig



Tony Leto Pens



Bill Schwartz measuring sticks

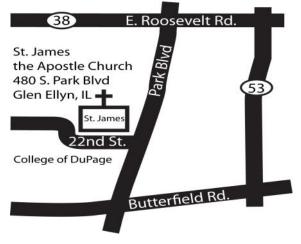


Jack Harkins Hook tool

Peter D'Attomo Cutting board Maple & Paduk

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Library Display	open		



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 <u>local woodworking supply companies</u>.