



DUPAGE

WOODWORKERS

Learning by Sharing the Art of Woodworking



Calendar

DPWW Regular Meetings

Usually the Third Monday at [St. James in Glen Ellyn](#)

Monday March 25 (4th Monday)

Monday April 22 (4th Monday)

Monday May 20

DPWW Board Meeting

Usually the First Monday at [St. James in Glen Ellyn](#)

April 1

May 6

Activity

March 30 – Toy Making Workshop

9:00 AM and 12:00PM

[Woodcraft in Woodridge](#)

Future Activities

April 20 – Shop Visit

Don Carkhuff

10:30 AM

Contact **Jeff Kramer**

Programs

March 25 Mike Nicotera

KLINGSPOR Abrasives sales rep will present a program on abrasives and Klingspor.

April 22 Nancy Velon

Wooden Trolls at the Morton Arboretum

May 20 Chris Carlson of Bosch

Saw blade geometry and band saw blade selection



President's Message

As the cold weather persists, I am fortunate to be able to spend time in my warm shop working on some chairs. I am also making truck blanks for the upcoming toy workshop the last Saturday of this month at Woodcraft in Woodridge (see more info in the toy committee report). I recently enjoyed breakfast with a few fellow club members prior to the Milwaukee woodworking show. Thanks, **Jeff Kramer**, for arranging the breakfast at a nice restaurant near the show.

We will again be collecting Beads of Courage boxes during our May general meeting on Monday, May 20. **Peter D'Attomo** will be providing us Beads of Courage beads for those of us making boxes at the general meeting on Monday, March 25. TAKE NOTE, MARCH 25 IS THE FOURTH MONDAY OF THE MONTH, NOT THE THIRD. DUE TO A SCHEDULING CONFLICT WITH ST. JAMES WE NEED TO HAVE OUR GENERAL MEETINGS IN MARCH AND APRIL ON THE FOURTH MONDAY OF THE MONTH AND NOT THE USUAL THIRD MONDAY OF THE MONTH.

For those not familiar with the Beads of Courage box program please visit the website <http://beadsofcourage.org/> If you go under the "Artists" tab and click on the "Information for Woodturners" you will also find general information about flatwork boxes, sizes, wood, finish, etc. Last year we were able to provide close to 50 boxes to the Beads of Courage program. I would like to see at least that many this year. We work with Advocate Christ Hospital in Oak Lawn.

Again, please note that this month's general meeting is on the fourth Monday of March, March 25. Hope to see you then.

George Rodgers



Secretary's Report

Jerry Johnson – Secretary **DPWW Board Meeting – March 4, 2019**

George Rodgers opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Present were Bill Hoffman, Wayne Maier, Mike Kalscheur, Jim Harvey, Jeff Kramer, Bruce Kinney, Mike Perry, Whit Anderson, Rick Ogren, Paul Kricensky, and Jerry Johnson.

Reminder: Any club member is invited to attend the board meetings.

The February minutes and treasurer's report were approved. Bill will place the annual treasurer's report on the web site in the members only section.

Secretary's Communication

Although not covered in the meeting, for the record two new Life Members were recognized at the January general meeting: **Wayne Maier** and **Rick Ogren**. They join the current Life Members [**Rich Rossio, Stan Anderson, Bruce Kinney** and **Jerry Johnson**] bringing the total to six.



Standing Committee Reports

Membership (Mike Kalscheur) – Thirty members elected not to renew their membership for 2019 and were dropped. We now stand at 170 members. It was decided to send the general membership a link to the obituary for members that pass.

Library (Paul Kricensky) – The library is in good shape.

Prizes (Bruce Kinney) – The February results were positive. Prizes for March are a customized Electric Branding Iron, 130 piece Dremel accessory kit, and a Kreg R3 jig and 2” Classic Face Clamp.

Toys (George Rodgers) – The first workshop of the year will be held at Woodcraft in Woodridge on March 30 from 9-3.

Activities (Jeff Kramer) – Seven members met for breakfast at Mimosa in Milwaukee and then attended the Woodworker Show. At least two other members are known to have attended the show. Activities for March and April: March 30 Toy Making Workshop at Woodcraft in Woodridge and visit **Don Carkhuff's** shop on April 20. Jeff is considering a visit to Garfield Farm for a future activity.

Programs (Wayne Maier and Rick Ogren) – Many thanks to Wayne, Rick and Whit for creating, producing, and delivering a wonderful demonstration on how to make a decorative cutting board. In March, **Mike Nicotera** of Klingspor will be the speaker. The wooden trolls at the Morton Arboretum will be the main feature of the April program presented by **Nancy Velon**. Saw blade geometry and band saw blade selection will be discussed by **Chris Carlson** of Bosch for the May program.

A/V (Mike Perry) – Video technology has improved to the point that we may be able to solve the problem of a somewhat washed out appearance of images produced by our current equipment in the current environment. Mike proposed that we move to an HDMI camera and with other features that will improve the overall viewing experience. The board agreed that, while we have been able to improve the audio to an acceptable level, the video can be improved to provide an overall better A/V experience. Mike will purchase the AIDA Imaging camera.

Web (Whit Anderson) – The creation of the video for the cutting board presentation sparked a discussion on ownership of the video. Concerns were expressed on the use of the club name and equipment as well as adhering to common sense standards of professionalism and safety. These considerations led to the conclusion that the club would need to own this video and any future video where the club is referenced specifically or implied. Videos on Toys and Sharpening were offered as potential subjects. Whit will archive the final version of the video.

Old Business

- Whit passed out the new website Members Only access password and it is working well.

-Wayne purchased a portable band saw and will house it. The saw will be tried at the Toy Workshop after which it will be determined whether it is capable of being easily moved on a loan basis.

-The current apparel vendor is willing to accept smaller orders than we used in the past. We have ordered hats and will determine what shirts are needed and then place an order. Let **Carl Shaffer** know your needs.

-George has made one trial run of cutting blanks for the Children's Museum and noted some issues that need to be resolved. He will do another trial and report back with his recommendations.

-George presented the initial findings from the membership survey on the holiday party. Preliminary results indicate a desire to try a new place and willingness to pay more. A number of responses indicated there was not a complete understanding of the hand-crafted gifts. George will raise the question at the March general meeting.

-Whit will give a short presentation at the general meeting covering the on-line forum being proposed for the web site.

-We have a potential person to serve as auctioneer for the annual auction. The board has tentatively agreed to proceed with the planning but has suggested the date be moved to late September or in October. George will check with the church and the auctioneer availability for a new date.

New Business

-The Glendale Heights Library has requested us to provide a presentation on general woodworking. George will contact them to determine more on what they would like and the target audience. Guidelines on this process are included in the Presentation Template developed by the club in 2018.

-George received a letter from the Lake Erie Toolworks suggesting a partnership. They would like to “provide awareness to your members regarding our tools and the educational content that is available from us...” The board is not interested in a partnership but leaves it up to the president whether to distribute the material to the general membership. In this particular case, George will follow the precedent of the Fox Valley Club which forwarded the letter to its general membership. It will be marked “Not Endorsed” to encourage members to make their own judgment.

-We have received a request to help sell the woodworking equipment in an estate. In the past, individual members have helped and, on one occasion because of the timing, we offered quite a number of items in our July auction. The board decided that we do not want to do this on a regular basis but will consider requests on a case by case basis. Bruce and Wayne will check this one out.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.



Toy Makers Workshop *George Rodgers*

DPWW and Woodcraft (75th St. and Woodward Ave. in Woodridge) will be hosting a toy making workshop on Saturday, March 30, 2019 from 9am to 3pm. We are hoping to have people contribute some of their time to helping

bandsaw, drill, rout, sand and assemble toys for the Toys for Tots Christmas give-a-way program. The plan is to have people sign up for the morning (9am to noon) and/or afternoon (noon to 3pm) session. If you can't contribute 3 hours, just an hour or two will help. You can also sign up by calling **George Rodgers**, 708-623-9038 or emailing glroders@comcast.net

For those unable to make the workshop but still wanting to contribute toys, we have wheels and axles. We will have these available to pick up at our general meetings. We also have patterns and directions for making toys which are available at each general meeting and under the [Toys tab of the club web page](#).

If you only have some equipment such as just a drill press, etc. we can always use help completing part of the project or help with assembly. Pick what you feel comfortable doing. Any help is appreciated.

Last year we made over 2300 toys! Let's keep it up!



Membership *Mike Kalscheur*

Two new members have joined the Club since last newsletter.

Please welcome **Dan Urban** from Glen Ellyn. Dan learned about the Club from the club website. His woodworking interest is in building furniture.

Also please welcome **Randi Grzenia** from Lombard. Randi learned about the club from a friend and has an interest in building furniture, which seems to be a common interest of many other members.

Club members are always interested in seeing and hearing about the different types of furniture being designed and built by other members. The From Our Workshop (FOW) segment of the regular monthly meetings is where members can do just that.

Mentors List *Mike Kalscheur*

Quite a few DPWW members have mentioned they would like to be able to contact someone in the club when they have a question about some aspect of woodworking. On-line videos and woodworking forums are great ways to learn, though sometimes having a knowledgeable person as a mentor works better.

If you cannot wait for a general meeting to ask a question about a problem in your shop, a club Mentor list is available for all members to refer. Many talented club members have already answered the call to share their expertise. As the Club motto says, "Learning by Sharing" is part of being a member.

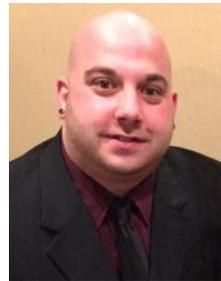
The Mentor list is available on the club website under the "Members Only" link.

If you have a special woodworking-related skill or expertise, or maybe you've learned these skills the hard way and are willing to ease the path for beginning woodworkers, let me know if you would like to be added to the Mentor list.

General Meetings

March 25

Our March program features Mike Nicotera from [Klingspor](#), a factory representative who will speak on products his company offers and discounts our members may receive. He will also be providing samples to us at the meeting.



Mike is the local Chicago Rep. for [KLINGSPOR](#) Abrasives Inc. covering the Western, Southwestern, & Northwestern suburbs. From Lombard to Elgin, down to Morris, all the way west to Somonauk.

Klingspor is a German abrasives manufacturer that sells DIRECT! They offer a full line of abrasives for the woodworking, metal-working, stone, and plastics industry, at the most competitive prices. Klingspor also carries a full line of safety products and Dynabrade tools.

April 22

Nancy Velon will talk about [the Trolls](#) currently on exhibit at the [Morton Arboretum](#). Her presentation will also include other works of art from around the world by the Danish artist, Thomas Dambo - a good show for spouses to attend as well.



February Meeting Recap

At our February DPWWC meeting, club members **Rick Ogren** and **Wayne Maier** gave a presentation on making cutting boards with contrasting curved wood inserts. They used a video produced by Whit Anderson that showed workshop details of the build. They brought many examples of boards in different stages of construction.

The technique (based on a Fine Woodworking article) involves making an MDF template for the curve, then using the template to rout the curve a quarter inch deep in the cutting board. The board is then bandsawn apart along the routed groove and the edges cleaned up with a bearing guided flush trim bit in the router. A strip of contrasting wood the same thickness as the original groove is glued in place, the strip must be exactly the same thickness for the joint to close properly.

Repeat the process for more accents. The result is both beautiful and professional.



Activities **Jeff Kramer**

Seven DPWW members attended the [Milwaukee Woodworking Show](#) on Saturday, February 23, 2019 at the Milwaukee County Sports Complex. Prior to entering the Sports Complex, everyone met at a nearby restaurant for breakfast.

For the past 30 years, [The Woodworking Shows](#) have established a devoted following by providing woodworkers with an outlet for their passion through tools, education and a unique sense of community by hosting hands-on trade shows for woodworkers across the United States.

The Milwaukee show is one of 13 shows scheduled in other cities during 2019. It offers exhibits, demos and a wide variety of seminars. There were also bargain tables where a variety of tools and other useful items were on sale at discounted prices.

The vendors who are exhibiting at the show offered:

- Giveaways and sweepstakes
- Coupons offering discounts for the purchase of various items at the show.

The seminars provided useful information on techniques and tips in various aspects of wood workings. The two I attended ("Easy Steps To Become A Stain And Dye Pro" and "Table Saw Basics" provided me with concepts and ideas to use in my own shop.

All in all it was a great day – I recommend that you plan on attending this show next year. I will provide the date for next years meeting as soon as I get it.

Coffee Makers

Gotta have coffee at the meetings! Thanks to **Mary Olson** and **Jim Harvey** who pitched in at the Last meeting.

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

Thanks DuPage Woodworkers



The club received a nice handwritten message from the [De La Salle Blackfeet School](#) in Browning Montana. Late last year the club made a \$200 donation towards De La Salle obtaining a Saw Stop. **Mark Miller** has given presentations to the club, and hosted a tour of his own shop. He now lives in Montana and works with the De La Salle school. If you would like to see the whole letter, contact **George Rodgers**.

"I thank you for supporting the aquisition of shop equipment for De La Salle School. **Mark Miller** has a few enthusiastic students in this area of art. I am sure there are plenty of used tools in the Chicago area but we will try to pick it up locally.

Eventually we would hope to begin a small business with students and parents.

Take care and thanks, **Brother Dale Mooney** "



March 2019 Door Prizes

1

Customized Electric Branding Iron

Includes prepaid voucher to customize your branding iron with 1 of 15 styles



2

Dremel 130 piece Dremel Accessory Kit



3

Kreg R3 Jig and 2" Classic Face Clamp



1 Ticket for \$2, 3 Tickets for \$5, 7 Tickets for \$10

Borrow 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.

Internet Woodworking Link of the Month

Paul Sellers

From all the woodworking sites I visit, Paul Sellers is the name I see mentioned the most. He has over 300,000 subscribers to his YouTube channel.

<http://paulsellers.com/>
<http://www.youtube.com/user/PaulSellersWoodwork>

- **Jim Harvey**
 - Send me your favorite links wb8nbs@prodigy.net



February 18 Raffle Winners
Al Cheeks, Bruce Kinney & Jim Beaurain



From Our Workshop February 18, 2019



Cigar Box Guitar - John Cunningham
Oak Neck



Dovetailed Box - Jim Harvey
Poplar - Watco & Wax



Truck - Bob Bakshis
Pine - Poly



Scraper Holder - Rick Ogren
Steel & Wood



Pen Block Cut-off Jig - Tony Leto
Plywood



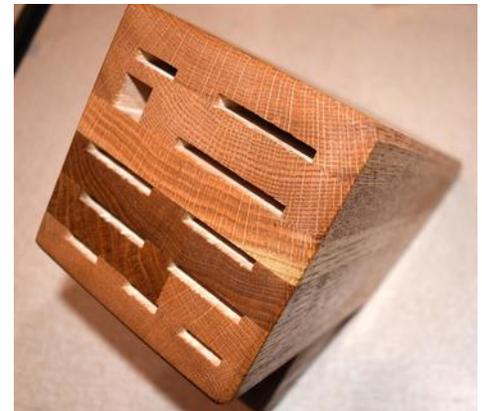
Sliding Dovetail Bookstand - Mike Kalscheur
Walnut, Cherry, and Maple - Poly



Puzzle Pull Toy - Paul Kricensky
Oak, Maple, and Walnut - B.L.O.



Scroll Saw Projects - Ed Buhot
Misc - Spray Poly



Knife Block - Ken Everett
Oak with Walnut Splines -
Golden Oak Stain & Poly



Bowl - Bert Le Loup
Oak - Butchers Wax



Kleenex Box - Al Cheeks
Walnut and Maple - Gel Poly



Cut-off sled - Roy Galbreath
Plywood



Umbrella Stand - Tim McAuley
Cedar & ? - Poly



Angel Eye LED Light for Router - Ron Hoppe



Wood Branch Vase
Bert Le Loup - Mulberry



Turned Bowls - George Rodgers
Oak - Spray Lacquer



Master Bath Cabinet - Mike Perry
Cherry - Watco Cherry



Coffee Grinder - Tom Olson
Oak with Walnut Splines - Poly