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WOODWORKERS

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Calendar

DPWW Regular Meetings

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

- **June 21** via Zoom
- **July 19** via Zoom
- **August 16** via Zoom

DPWW Board Meetings

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

- **July 5** via Zoom
- **August 2** via Zoom
- **September 6** via Zoom

Future Activities

- **June 26**
[Zoom shop tour](#)
- **July 3**
[Sawdust in Your Coffee](#)

Programs

- **June 21**
[Ron Herman](#) - clamps, glues
and fasteners

President's Message - June 2021



Whit Anderson for his continued management of our Zoom presentations. I also want to thank *Mark Wieting* and *Jeff Kramer* for finding excellent presenters for our programs.

This month we have *Ron Herman*, professional woodworker from Ohio, teaching us how to “Clamp it down before you screw it up”. I am sure he will provide great techniques that we will all be able to benefit from.

I am collecting Beads of Courage boxes the last week in June to deliver to Advocate Children's Hospital in Oak Lawn. Hopefully, we can again provide a number of boxes to children undergoing extensive medical and surgical procedures to help them through this process. Information about making the boxes can be found on page 5 at the following link: <http://www.beadsofcourage.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/2020-AAW-handout-guidelines.pdf>

Please contact me via email or by phone/text if you will be donating a box. Also please let me know if you need a bead.

Now is a great time to start or continue to make toys for this years Christmas season toy give-away. If you need any toy parts please contact me. I am to follow up with Karl at Woodcraft after July 4 to see when we can schedule a toy workshop at [Woodcraft in Woodridge](#). Hopefully, I will be able to let you know when that date is in the near future.

Thanks for your continued support of the club. Please feel free to reach out to me or anyone else on the board about concerns/questions/suggestions you might have. This is your club and you make it what it is.

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DuPage Woodworkers Board Meeting (via Zoom)

June 7, 2021



George Rodgers opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Present were Jim Harvey, Bruce Kinney, Whit Anderson, Mike Perry, Mike Kalschuer, Lee Nye, Tom Olson, Bill Hoffman, Peter D'Attomo, Mark Jundanian, Mark Wieting, and Jerry Johnson.

The minutes and treasurer's report were both approved. *Bill Hoffman* further reported that he has received the new tax I.D. number and he is working on changes with PayPal. He noted that the club has received \$145 in donations which he has assigned to Misc. with a recommendation that we set up



a separate line item for them and designate it "Donations for Toy Parts". A motion to that effect passed.

President's Communication – George will be making arrangements to provide more Beads of Courage boxes to Advocate Children's Hospital.

Standing Committee Reports

Membership (Mike Kalscheur) – Two new people joined the ranks of the Woodworkers bringing the membership to 194.

Library (Tom Olson) -- Nothing to report.

Prizes (Bruce Kinney) – Bruce suggested that we continue with prizes with all attendees eligible for a drawing. The board agreed.

Publicity (Keith Rosche) -- No report.

Toys (George Rodgers) – George discussed the possibility of a toy workshop with Woodcraft and expects to be able to schedule one for the Fall.

Newsletter (Jim Harvey) -- Deadline for submissions to the newsletter is Friday evening, June 11.

From Our Workshop (Lee Nye) – The reminder sent out before the May meeting led to enough submissions to have a good FOW session at the general meeting. Based on the experience it was decided to continue the FOW segment at each meeting subject to time constraints that may be known in advance.

Activities (Jeff Kramer) -- The next activity will be a virtual shop tour of **Rich Escallier's** shop on June 26 at 9:00a.m.

Programs (Mark Wieting and Jeff Kramer) – Mark confirmed that the June program will feature **Ron Herman** talking about "Clamp It Down".

A/V (Mike Perry) -- Mike led an extensive discussion on AV alternatives to provide simultaneous in-house and Zoom meeting capability. George appointed Mike to lead a group to develop a recommendation. **Bill Hoffman, Whit Anderson, and Mark Jundanian** were appointed to assist in this effort.

Web (Whit Anderson) – The next Sawdust meeting will be at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 3. The shop tour of **Rich Escallier's** shop will not be recorded. (See New Business.)

Old Business

-Non-Profit Status: Covered in the treasurer's report.

-Holiday Party: George reported **Peter D'Attomo** has checked with Reserve 22 facility at Village Links in Glen Ellyn and found that they can do a holiday party in much the same manner as in 2020. At the moment, Monday, December 13 is available. George will check further on reservation details and will arrange for the down payment if they are satisfactory.

New Business

-Use of last name: Some members have a concern about using the last name of someone who is presenting a skill or a shop tour that heretofore has been taped and then posted on You Tube or some other social media. We will, at the request of the presenter, not include their last name in, or when referencing, the You Tube or social media post.

-Acquire woodburning tool: It was decided to not purchase a wood burning tool for general membership use.

The meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Johnson -- Secretary

DPWW June 21 General Meeting

Clamp It Down Before You Screw It Up

We'll have a Zoom session with **Ron Herman** for the DuPage Woodworkers - June 21, 2021 at 7 p.m.

Have you been working on a project based on a set of plans only to find out things weren't going the way you had expected? Zoom in with Ron as he provides information about the clamps, glues and fasteners project plans expect you to already know about before you follow their instructions, complete with demonstrations and show-and-tell items. See [Ron's YouTube channel here](#).

If you have wondered why pin nails won't hold well in end grain, why your glue didn't stick, or why your screw suddenly moved out of line when you tightened it, this is the topic for you. Ron will also discuss the proper uses of different kinds and gauges of nails and screws, what countersink to use and how they coordinate with your nails, which clamps are appropriate for your uses/different species of wood and how to protect your project when using them, which woods need pilot holes for screws, and more, to improve the success of your project.

Ron looks forward to your attendance and questions! More information at dupagewoodworkers.org.



May Meeting Recap

On May 17th the DPWW had Woodburning artist **Julie Bender** as guest speaker. Julie's home base is Loveland, Colorado where there is lots of nature and nature is the subject of most of her work. She calls her Pyrography technique "Painting with Heat". The tool works similarly to a soldering gun, has several shaped tips which can be used to scorch shade a picture into her preferred medium, Maple, but she also uses heavy paper. Julie demonstrated her craft on camera by doing fine hair and shading on a Bear image she is doing on commission. She also

talked how she conducts online and in person classes periodically. [See class information on her web site.](#)

Sawdust in Your Coffee

The next meeting will be **Saturday, July 3rd at 10:00 am**. Join us for casual talk about woodworking. Topics that came up at our last meeting included:

Door making, MFT tables, Kumiko, Topics for future presenters at our meetings, Air compressors, Fine Woodworking newsstand sales, Saw kerfs, Mortise and tenons.

When you get the usual invitation, save it and join us at the next meeting to discuss whatever woodworking topic is on your mind.

Whit Anderson

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Illinois is opening most venues for meeting as more people get vaccinated for protection from the covid-19 virus. It may be wise for new members to consider ordering a shirt or hat embroidered with the DPWW club logo so as to have it available when we are able to meet in groups. There is an advantage to

be recognized as a DPWW member when out in some venues. In March I indicated that a new member saw the need to get a polo shirt. This was a wise decision as he is now ready. Hats are available for \$18, and a very few Polo and Long Sleeve T shirts in M, 2XL and 3XL are available for \$20. Others are a bit higher price. We need a combined order of 6 items if the size is not in club stock. A gift from the family is always a good decision. I am available by phone or email to take your order.

Carl Shaffer

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Membership News



Two new members have joined the Club since last month's newsletter, and they are already taking advantage of the recent club events via Zoom meetings.

Please welcome **Patrick Kirchner** and family member **Brooke** from Naperville. They learned about the Club from the website, and are

interested in Power Carving. Patrick is fairly new to woodworking and is interested in learning almost anything else about the craft.

With the wide range of woodworking experience among club members, there are some members who are willing to act as mentors or trusted counselors in some categories of woodworking. Look for the "Mentor list" found on the [Members-Only page of the website](#) if you're looking for help on a specific woodworking topic. You might find another member who is willing to assist. If you have some unique area(s) of woodworking expertise and are willing to mentor another member in that area, let me know if I can add your name to the Mentor List.

The [On-Line Forum](#) is also accessed from the Members-Only page, and is another way to ask the members for assistance or advice on a woodworking topic. Valid members need to register first on the Forum to enable posting new topic questions and replies on it.

Mike Kalscheur

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Toys

We will again be collecting toys in November for delivery to children in need during the holiday season. Details of collection will be provided as the time draws closer. In the meantime if you are in need of toy parts, such as wheels and axles, please contact me via email at glrodgers@comcast.net or phone/text at 708-623-9038. I will be in contact with Karl at [Woodcraft in Woodridge](#) after July 4 to arrange for an in-person toy workshop this fall.

On a heartfelt note **Bruce Kinney's** doctor, upon hearing that Bruce is a big woodworker and toy maker, donated \$100 to our toy fund. We also received donations to this fund via the sale of tools provided by **Peter D'Attomo**. This money will be used to support buying toy parts and lumber to make toys. Thanks Bruce and Peter!

George Rodgers



Internet Woodworking Link of the Month

The Hobson Oak

How many trees have their own web site? The 250 year old Hobson Bur Oak was one of the oldest trees in the county. It was near Hobson road and Greene Road just west of the East Dupage river. It had to be taken down in 2016 due to old age. Much of the wood was saved and a project began to offer creations from that source to raise money for local charities. Some members of the Dupage Woodworkers Club, led by **Carl Shaffer**, contributed.

At this time five year old seedlings sprouted from Hobson Oak acorns are [available for sale](#). I have always maintained that the best way to establish that the house you bought was a home was to plant a tree in the yard and watch it grow.

<https://www.hobsonoak.com/>

Send YOUR favorite web sites to wb8nbs@prodigy.net - **Jim Harvey**



Shop Tour!

Sorry, not in person yet, but **Rich Escallier** has kindly volunteered to show us around his shop via Zoom. You'll get a chance to see what he has set up since he moved about three years ago. He'll also be showing us some of his collectible tools. Rich merited a full page bio in the latest MWTCA "Gristmill" publication.

Expect the usual invitation, save the link, and join us at **9:00 am on Saturday June 26th**. (Note that this is at 9:00 am, not the same as a Sawdust in Your Coffee meeting.)





From Our Workshop May-June 2021 - Click to Enlarge

These projects, projects in progress and many more can be seen on your [club's Gallery Web Page](#). These projects will be shown at the June meeting, and there will be a prize drawing.

While our Dupage Woodworker meetings are held via Zoom, please submit photos of your current projects to **Mike Perry** and **Lee Nye** via [Google Forms](#) for inclusion in next month's newsletter. Projects will also be featured during the monthly meeting "From Our Workshop" and on the club's Gallery page.



Al Cheeks - Router Carved Dish
Walnut - Mineral Oil



Bob Bakshis - Box Map, Poland
Oak - Poly



Craig Bixler - Whiskey Box
Walnut, Maple - OSMO Oil



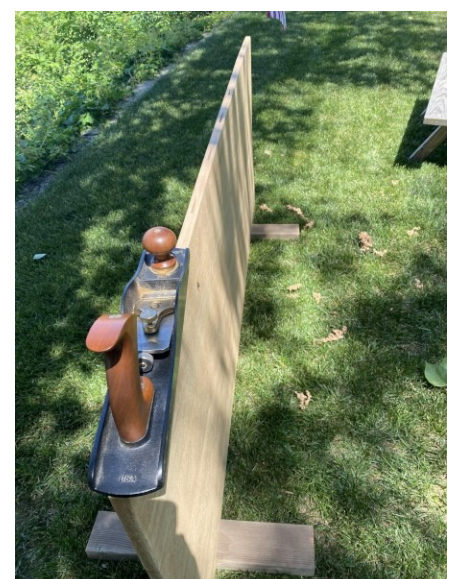
Bob Bakshis - Box Map, Lithuania
Oak - Poly



Mike Perry - Headboard
Cedar Bridge Lumber - Lacquer



Drew Fitch - Adirondack Chair
Cedar - No Finish Yet



Mike Perry - Panel Jig
2x4s - No Finish



Mike Kalscheur - Side Table
Walnut slab - Watco and Poly



Bert LeLoup - Cigar Box Carving
Cigar Box - Tru-Oil



Bert LeLoup - Dogs Carving
Basswood - Stains



Patrick Kirchner - Desk
Poplar - Minwax Espresso



Bert LeLoup - Womping Willow
Walnut, Tree Root - Stain, Sealer



Kevin Loewe - Mailbox
Black Limba - Tung Oil



Marqus McPherson - "Family"
Padauk, Purpleheart, Walnut
Walrus Oil



Jim Harvey - Bluetooth Speaker
Cherry - Watco Oil, Wax



Al Cheeks - Clock
Walnut - Gel Poly Stain