



DUPAGE

WOODWORKERS

Learning by Sharing the Art of Woodworking



Calendar

DPWW Regular Meetings

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

Will be via Zoom until
further notice

- **February 21**
- **March 21**
- **April 18**

DPWW Board Meetings

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Will be via Zoom until
further notice

- **March 7**
- **April 4**
- **May 2**

Future Activities

No in person activities until
further notice

- **March 5**
[Sawdust In Your Coffee](#)
[Zoom Conference](#)

Programs

- **February 21**
Ron Herman on "Joinery"
A condensed version of his
[class on the subject](#).
Tim McAuley will present
our new Library
Management software
- **March 21 T.B.A.**



change for March.

Ron will be presenting on woodworking joint making. He has a program that usually last about 4 hours. He will cover what he can in the time we can allot him, about 1 ½ hours. There will not be any From Our Workshop this month. Please still submit your projects as we will have an expanded FOW in March. Librarian *Tim McAuley* is going to provide us with an overview of the new library software during our February meeting. I think you will really like it. Makes it much easier to see what we have and be able to obtain it.

I have also been able to arrange for a Saturday, April 30 toy workshop at [Woodcraft in Woodridge](#). Details will be in the toy section of this newsletter.

In the meantime please continue to make toys in your shops and think about making a Beads of Courage box. I also think we will be contacted by St. James in the near future about providing some handcrafted wood items for their auctions. Now is a good time to stockpile a few of those items.

Hopefully, you are able to get into your shops. For those with garage shops we can only hope to have an early spring. Thanks.

George Rodgers 708-623-9038 GLRodgers@comcast.net

President's Message - February 2022

It appears that things might be slowly returning to some sort of normalcy. Our February program is going to have a Zoom presenter, professional woodworker [Ron Herman](#). Since his presentation will be via Zoom and Omicron is still in the air the board decided that we will conduct our general meeting in February via Zoom, no in-person meeting. Hopefully, this will

DuPage Woodworkers Board Meeting **February 7, 2022**



George Rodgers opened the Zoom meeting at about 7:00 p.m. Board members present were Jim Harvey, Mike Kalschuer, Mark Wieting, Mike Perry, Tim McAuley, Lee Nye, Bruce Kinney, Bill Hoffman, and Jerry Johnson. Guest member present was Tom Kubica.

The minutes and treasurer's report were both postponed.



Standing Committee Reports

Membership (Mike Kalscheur) – 85% of members have re-upped for 2022, about our normal rate; last count 207 members/families.

Library (Tim McAuley) -- Tim has collected most of the books that were outstanding and has bar codes on all books. He's ready to go to introduce the new library to our members. He plans to add to the current cabinet to provide room for DVDs and has talked with **Wayne Maier** for help to build out the unit to hold them. We received 50 books from **Fox Valley** and the addition will help contain them. A motion passed to increase the library budget by \$300 to pay for the material.

Prizes (Bruce Kinney) – The door prize activity will continue to be on hold until we can have in-person general meetings.

Publicity (Keith Rosche) -- No report.

Toys (George Rodgers) – George will be contacting **Woodcraft** to find a time for a toy work session.

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

From Our Workshop (Lee Nye) – There will be no FOW session at the February general meeting to allow time for both other topics: **Ron Herman** on Joints and **Tim McAuley** on the introduction of the new library software. Tim will also describe how to obtain library resources during the limited-access period.

Activities (Jeff Kramer) -- Activities will continue to be suspended for February with a decision on March

being reviewed later.

Programs (Jeff Kramer, Don Pellegrini) February is slated to be **Ron Herman** on joinery and a presentation of the new library software by **Tim McAuley**.

A/V (Mike Perry) -- He will be testing the two new cameras we purchased.

Web (Bill Hoffman) – He is going to evaluate Word Press to rebuild the web site. The next Sawdust In Your Coffee, will be the first Saturday in March.

Old Business:

- **Incorporation Update:** Bill has no feedback from the IRS and is unlikely to get any for a while as the tax season is in full swing with submissions already flowing in.

- **Organization Credit Card:** Postponed.

New Business:

- **2022 Constitution and By-Laws:** Mike K, reminded the board that the Constitution and By-Laws are required to be updated every five years and 2017 was the last year for a comprehensive review. There are three volunteers to lead the effort: **Jerry Johnson**, **Mike Kalscheur**, and **Mark Wieting**. Jerry will create the first review of the two documents for the group to review.

The meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Johnson -- Secretary

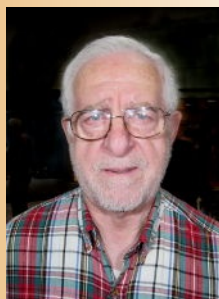
Borrow Tools



One benefit of being a member of the DuPage Woodworkers is that we have tools you can borrow. Our Work Sharp has been upgraded with a knife and scissor sharpening attachment. Also DPWW now has a Performax 12" planer. It is in the Borrow Tools inventory. The scroll saw, moisture meter, metal detector, Work Sharp, planer, and Drill Doctor are available to members by contacting **Wayne Maier** at 630-303-1341.

Logo Clothing

Carl Shaffer



While Spring is just around the corner, look ahead for your desires and needs. We have a very few long sleeve shirts and polo shirts in sizes M, L, 2XL and 3XL with special pricing. I have hats. Contact me for prices and to order. We expect to have wood shows and other events to wear the club shirts and hats this year.

Carl Shaffer 630-251-3106



February Meeting **Ron Herman on Joints**

Our February meeting will be Zoom only featuring **Ron Herman** talking about joinery. Ron does custom woodworking and conducts [web based as well as in person classes](#). You may remember his presentation on clamping last June. Here is a Bio from his [web site](#):



Ron has been working with antique and vintage tools almost all of his life - some of those tools weren't vintage, back then! From his start with and now ownership of his more than 100-year-old family

contracting company, Antiquity Builders, Ron has been sharpening, fettling, using and restoring these tools since he was ten years old. Now a master housewright, toolwright and carpenter who gained his skills through the traditional apprentice program and his own voracious thirst for knowledge, Ron uses these skills and that knowledge to teach others. From giving instructive courses to local woodworking club members to full seminars for Popular Woodworking's national Woodworking in America events, Ron's knowledge of tools has helped others grow and develop theirs.

The company mill is stocked with an tremendous tool inventory, arranged and sorted by type. Ron maintains an extensive library of tool catalogs, research and patents, dating back more than 100 years--he has researched tool patents to understand information about and the original uses of tools many may find esoteric today, and can type, catalog, and give details on hundreds of tools right off the top of his head.

Students at the Woodworking with Ron school have the use of the thousands (seriously!) of company tools. Ron's shop is basically a working tool museum, except this collection is not for show - parts of it are used every day in the normal course of business. The best part of it all is it is a true blended shop, and Ron has the expertise and skills to convey his knowledge about all of these tools to those who are interested.

Jeff Kramer/Don Pellegrini



Membership News

One new member has joined DPWW recently. Please welcome **Tony Fulco** from Darien. Tony's interest in woodworking is making furniture (tables, bureaus, chests, vanity, etc.), keepsake boxes, garden beds and other assorted hand-crafted items.

Members who have NOT paid Membership dues for the 2022 year should have received an emailed Dues Reminder notice. If you didn't receive that email, thank you for submitting your membership dues.

Annual membership fees are still only \$25 per household. Prompt payment is appreciated to continue as a valid member past the 2/28/2022 expiration date.

Mike Kalscheur

membership@dupagewoodworkers.org

January Meeting Recap

52 members signed in to an excellent meeting via Zoom on January 17. There was a panel presentation discussing six woodworking schools available to hobbyists.

- **Chicago School of Woodworking** (Chicago)
- **Marc Adams School of Woodworking** (Franklin, Indiana)
- **The Clearing Folk School** (Ellison Bay (Door County), Wisconsin)
- **John C Campbell Folk School** (Brasstown, North Carolina)
- **Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts** (Gatlinburg, Tennessee)
- **The Woodwright's School** (Pittsboro, North Carolina)

Lee Nye and **Mike Perry** conducted an extended "From Our Workshop" session with three months of backlogged projects. Five new ones were submitted in the November/December time frame. \$20 Gift certificates were given to three FOW presenters. **Bob Bakshis**, **Mike Chole**, and **Bruce Metzdorf**.



Toy Collection

DPWW and [Woodcraft \(75th St. and Woodward Ave. in Woodridge\)](#) will be hosting a toy making workshop on Saturday, April 30, 2022 from 9am to 3pm. In lieu of passing around a sign-up sheet (due to COVID) please contact me directly if you are able to attend. glrodgers@comcast.net or 708-623-9038. We are hoping to have people contribute some of their time to helping bandsaw, drill, rout, sand and assemble toys for the underprivileged children 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 even just an hour or two will help. Coffee and donuts will be available in the morning and pizza and pop will be served at lunchtime.

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 the DPWW general meetings. You can also contact me directly if you need wheels or axles. We also have patterns and directions for making toys which are available at each general meeting and on our [DuPage Woodworkers website](#).

George Rodgers

Sawdust in Your Coffee

There were 14 participants at the February 5 Sawdust in Your Coffee Zoom meeting. Topics discussed included:

- Linseed Oil uses and types
- English Tavern style cabinets and doors
- Alternatives to Lacquer for indoor applications
- Wooden wheel barrow plans or suggestions
- Kayak construction
- Table saw miter sleds

There will be another Sawdust in Your Coffee meeting at 10:00 on Saturday, March 5th. Bring your questions, your progress, and/or your coffee. Expect the usual invitation.

Authors Wanted

If you're reading this, it's safe to assume you enjoy woodworking. And talking about woodworking. How about writing about woodworking? We would love to feature member submitted articles in the DPWW monthly newsletter. If there is some corner of our hobby that you feel confident in, let your editor know and we can work up an article. Writing talent not necessary. Spelling talent not necessary. We have editors. The following are topic suggestions gleaned from recent member applications:

- Lathe skills & techniques
- More tool sharpening (especially lathe tools)
- Veneer large curved panels
- Sharpening
- Scroll saw project
- Bowl turning
- Table saw tune-up
- Finishing choices and tips for application on furniture
- Furniture building
- Joint making
- Practical show-us-how programs
- Staining/finishing
- Critical tools everyone should have
- Tool Reviews – Which to buy? Best Quality for \$\$
- Art of Intarsia
- Shaping contours
- Scroll Saw techniques

Any one of these could be turned into a newsletter article, a meeting program, or both.

Book reports are also welcome. If you have enjoyed something from the DPWW library, write down what you liked about it and send it in.

Jim Harvey - Newsletter Editor email to wb8nbs@prodigy.net



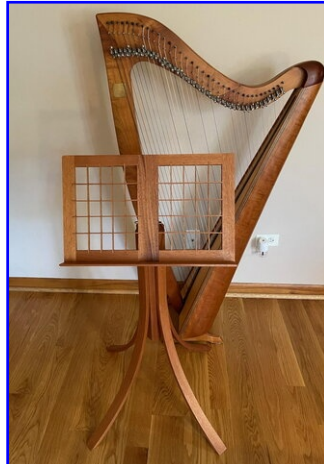
From Our Workshop January 2022 - Click to Enlarge

These projects, projects in progress and many more can be seen on your [DPWW Gallery Web Page](#). These projects were submitted in late November, December, and January.

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. Submitted projects will also be featured during the next monthly meeting "From Our Workshop" and on the [DPWW Gallery web page](#).



Bruce Metzdorf - Wall File
Cherry - Emmet's Good Stuff



Mike Chole - Music Stand
Mahogany - Lacquer



Bruce Metzdorf - Menu Plaque
Cherry - Danish Oil



Mark Wieting - Three Bowls
Tulipwood - Salad Bowl Finish



Marty Dettmer - Cutting Board
Various Wood - Min Oil, Beeswax



Marty Dettmer - Patio Chair
Red Grandis - Tung Oil, Stain



Kevin Loewe - Turned Vase
Manzanita Burl, Resin - Poly



Dan Breau - Step Up
Edge Glued Pine - Paint, Poly



Emilian Geczi - Charcuterie Board
Walnut - Mineral Oil, Beeswax



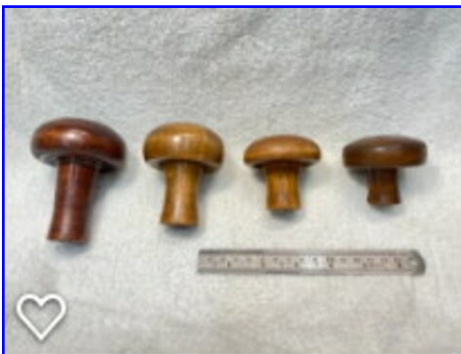
Frank Peterson - Cutting Board
Walnut, Padauk, Maple - Oil, Wax



Bruce Metzdorf - Ornaments
Walnut, Maple - Lacquer



Ron Colliander - Chess Board
Walnut, Maple, Jatoba - Poly



Mark Wieting - Mushrooms
Table Leg - Stains, Poly



Don Pellegrini - Chess Board
Maple, Walnut - Danish Oil, Poly



Mark Wieting - Christmas Trees
Various Woods - Danish Oil, Poly



Mark Wieting - Candle Holder
Birch, Bubinga - Danish Oil, Wax



Bill Hochmuth - Castles
Various Woods, Balsa - Paint



**George Rodgers - Outfeed/
Router Table**
Phenolic MDF, Poplar - No Finish



Marty Dettmer
Apothecary Cabinet
Various Wood - Stain, Paint,
Poly

Kevin Loewe
Turned Vase
Olive Wood, Resin - Poly

