



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 in person and via
Zoom until further notice**

- **August 15**
- **September 19**
- **October 17**

DPWW Board Meetings

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

- **September 6 (Tuesday)**
- **October 3**
- **November 7**

Future Activities

- **September 3, 9:00 AM**
[Sawdust In Your Coffee](#)

Programs

- **August 15**
[John Zurales, Laser
Marquetry](#)



President's Message - August 2022

It has been another very busy time in the life of our organization. I delivered 24 [Beads of Courage Boxes](#) to **Advocate Children's Hospital** in Oak Lawn. Please see an article later in this newsletter for more about this. We received numerous donated tools from both members and non-members. Thanks to **Wayne Maier** and **PJ Hoffman** for their help in moving tools (including a contractor tablesaw) from the basement of one residence. Proceeds from the sale of these tools goes to help fund our toy program and speaker fees. Also many items are given away free during our general meetings. Be sure to attend to see what is available each month. We also have a very [active classified section on our website](#) where tools are listed for sale by both members and non-members, sometimes even listed for free. Be sure to check it out.

In July we had a very good presentation by **Mark Dreyer** on [GluBoost](#) cyanoacrylate finish used on pens that can also be used on flat work. It is used extensively in the musical instrument finishing industry.

[This month](#) we have our own **John Zurales** who will be demonstrating using a laser cutter to do marquetry, the creation of pictures using pieces of wood veneer. John says there will be a surprise give-a-way. If you have been attending our meetings you might recall seeing a [Blackhawks logo](#) that John created using the laser to cut the veneer pieces.

By the time you read this several members will have attended the antique tool sale at Garfield Farms hosted by the [Mid West Tool Collectors Association](#). Hopefully, someone got a good find. Thanks to **Jeff Kramer** for organizing this activity.

I attended the recent Turn-On Chicago woodturning symposium. **Eric Lofstrom** was one of the presenters and he did a fantastic job. He has an excellent website and You Tube channel. Please see [later in this newsletter](#) about his media presence.

I want to thank **Mike Perry**, **Bill Hoffman** and **Howie Peterson** for their dedication and effort in providing an excellent audiovisual experience during our meetings including being able to attend via Zoom. We are always in need of additional people who can step in to help with our audiovisual needs. Not everyone can attend every meeting. We need others to help. Please step forward to help DPWW continue to provide the meaningful meetings we have been having.

We can also use additional people to help on the [website](#). The more who understand how to update and modify the website the better our outreach



to potential new members and keeping current members up to date. Please volunteer! We need more than just a handful of people to keep this organization up and running.

Finally, we are now able to have good coffee and cookies at our meetings. This does not just appear. Please volunteer to help with setup and cleanup if you are able.

Feel free to reach out to me or any of our board members to ask how you can help.

Thanks in advance for your commitment to our organization.

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

DuPage Woodworkers Board Meeting

August 1, 2022



George Rodgers opened the meeting at 7:02 p.m. Also present were Jim Harvey, Bruce Kinney, Mike Kalscheur, Lee Nye, Bill Hoffman, Tim McAuley, and Mark Wieting (on phone).

July minutes were approved by all.

President's Report

George delivered 24 Beads of Courage boxes last Thursday to Advocate Children's Hospital in Oaklawn.

St James School will be holding their annual auction fund raiser November 4, 2022. Donated items will be collected at the October 17 regular meeting. One special request to DPWWC is to make the parts for an Adirondack chair which the students will paint and the chair to be auctioned off. No word yet on the annual golf outing but that may be last minute announcement.

Treasurer's Report

(Treasurer not present) George reported that the \$51 in fees charged was resolved and refunded once we clarified what kind of commercial account we had with Old Second Bank (previously West Suburban).

Standing Committee Reports

Membership (Mike Kalscheur) – We added one new member in July and now have 193 total members.

Library (Tim McAuley) – Surplus library items will be offered for sale at the August meeting, including extra items we got from Fox Valley Woodworkers.

Prizes (Bruce Kinney) – Bruce's supply of door prizes will last us for the remainder of the year, given

November toy meeting and Holiday Party meeting.

Publicity (Keith Rosche) – No report.

Toys (George Rodgers) – We may end up exceeding our toy budget due to higher prices for wood and toy parts.

Newsletter (Jim Harvey) – Jim is looking for photos of the Mid West Tool Collectors meeting next Sunday.

From Our Workshop (Lee Nye) – Lee has ordered some one-handed bar clamps from Rockler as prizes for members presenting their projects in person.

Activities (Jeff Kramer) – Mid West Tool Collectors Association Swap Meet, Garfield Farms, August 7

Programs (Jeff Kramer, Don Pellegrini) August 15 Program is **John Zurales** – Laser Marquetry

A/V (Bill Hoffman) – The new setup seems to be working well. The monitor was used by **Mark Dreyer** and the new cameras worked great. We had some discussion about using one of the new cameras to zoom in and show audience speakers.

Web (Bill Hoffman) – Bill is working on small improvements and may reformat the main page.

Old Business:

– **By-Laws Document Update:** No activity.

New Business:

– **Mike Kalscheur** is working on officer nominations for next year.

– We need an insurance expert to analyze our liability insurance

Meeting was adjourned at 8:02pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Nye for Jerry Johnson -- Secretary



August Meeting



John Zurales has been using a laser for about a year and a half to make projects that combine woodworking, software, and his laser in a wide variety of materials. His laser journey began with a weekend laser class at **Marc**

Adams two years ago, followed by a full week class this year where he made the Blackhawks laser marquetry piece as well as many other items.

The laser is a versatile tool that uses similar XY and Z axis principles as CNC routing, to cut, score and engrave projects. John has used his laser on wood, veneer, slate tile, glass, acrylic, coffee mugs, leatherette, paper and other materials.

He is still on his exploration journey and will provide an overview of the laser process, share lessons learned, examples of his work, and answer questions. John is also donating some laser made items to the door prize raffle for members that are attending in person.

Don Pellegrini/Jeff Kramer



Membership News

One new member joined DPWW within the past month. Please welcome new member **Jon Bredehoeft** from Wheaton. Jon has recently been building cabinets for the home.

Member Talent Search Request

The DPWW organization has survived and evolved the past 25+ years because of dedicated member involvement. Board members have come and gone during that time and there's always a need for more members who have something to contribute. Committing only a few hours per month would help lessen the extra effort required by the current Board members.

Some of the Board positions may appear too time-consuming for one person, so committees exist for those positions to spread out the workload. Basic verbal/writing skills are all that's required in some cases. As technology has improved over the last 2 decades, computer and Audio/Video skills are always in demand. Members willing to learn more about the behind-the-scenes operation of the organization are encouraged to contact me or anyone else serving in any particular Board/Committee position.

The Board always welcomes feedback (pro or con) on what/how we're doing. Ideas for improvement or future topics to pursue are also welcome. Members are welcome to attend DPWW board meetings to find out more.

Mike Kalscheur

membership@dupagewoodworkers.org

Internet Woodworking Link of the Month

Eric Lofstrom has a [web site](#) with a wealth of information on the art of lathe turning. See his page of [informative tutorials](#), including this amazingly detailed [14 page discussion](#) of finishing methods for all your wood turning projects.



Toy Makers Workshop

DPWW and [Woodcraft \(75th St. and Woodward Ave. in Woodridge\)](#) will be hosting a toy making workshop on Saturday, October 8 from 9am to 3pm. A sign-up sheet will be passed around at the August and September DPWW general meetings. We are hoping to have people contribute some of their time to helping bandsaw, drill, route, sand and assemble toys for the Holiday toy give-a-way program. People can 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. You can also sign up by calling or emailing

George Rodgers, 708-623-9038 or glrogers@comcast.net

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

Last year we made over 1200 toys! We hope to do even better this year!! Here are the past toy statistics:

<u>2021</u>	1251	<u>2018</u>	2300	<u>2015</u>	?	<u>2012</u>	4077
<u>2020</u>	1500+	<u>2017</u>	1500+	<u>2014</u>	2456	<u>2011</u>	2586
<u>2019</u>	1500	<u>2016</u>	1642	<u>2013</u>	2660	<u>2010</u>	895

George Rodgers

Sawdust in Your Coffee

Sawdust in Your Coffee is our Zoom-based monthly informal discussion of wood related subjects. There were 10 participants at the August 6 Sawdust Zoom meeting. Topics discussed included:

- Maple moisture now at 10.5% after three months
- Desk project leg support for better rigidity
- Mandolin project progress
- Heat treating router plane iron
- Wet sanding to apply an oil finish
- Mesquite wood, hardness, color and texture
- Mulberry turning stock available, Mike Madden.
- Review recent class at Marc Adams School

There will be another Sawdust in Your Coffee meeting at 9:00 on Saturday, September 3. Bring your questions, your progress, and/or your coffee. Expect the usual invitation.

Ron Colliander

July Meeting Recap

GluBoost enthusiast **Mark Dreyer** presented the use of the [GluBoost Cyanoacrylate \(CA\) product](#) to put a gloss finish on woodworking projects. CA finishes have often been used for turned pens, Mark brought a small wood lathe to demonstrate. He showed how to properly apply the CA product, then a short spray of a CA accelerator set the finish instantly. It took just minutes to apply a single coat and it could be recoated immediately. CA can also be used to finish flatwork. Mark passed around several samples of each. They were all super smooth.



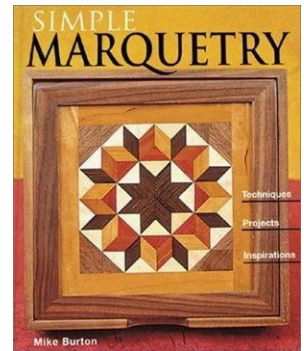


Book Report

Marquetry – Little Pieces That Make The Whole

The dictionary defines marquetry as:

“Decorative work in which elaborate patterns are formed by the insertion of pieces of material (such as wood, shell, or ivory) into a wood veneer that is then applied to a surface (as of a piece of furniture)”



Marquetry is a beautiful and artistic addition to the craft of woodworking. Wood marquetry was developed in Antwerp in the 16th Century and imported into France in the mid-17th century where it was used to make ultra-luxurious furniture for royalty. Current cutting-edge marquetry methods include the use of lasers and computers to cut out the individual pieces. This method will be the topic of our August Woodworkers meeting.

We have 11 resources in the DPWW library that discuss this art. Among them is **"Simple Marquetry"** by **Mike Burton**. The description in the on-line library is:

"A professional woodworker with more than 40 years' experience discusses veneers, cutting and taping techniques, grounds, glues and other bonds, and finishing—and then provides patterns for 17 projects, including a CD cabinet and an Ohio Stars Box."

You can see all of these resources by simply searching the word “Marquetry” on the [Libib web site \(https://www.libib.com/u/dpww\)](https://www.libib.com/u/dpww). --- **Tim McAuley - DPWW Librarian**

Activity - MWTCA Meet at Garfield Farms

August 7, 2022

This event was lightly attended. Apparently nobody wants to stand under trees next to a table of Iron tools in a Thunderstorm. Some of the sellers moved into the recently renovated barn.

[Mid West Tool Collectors Associaton](#) is an organizaton of antique tool enthusiasts. Despite "Mid West" in the name, there are chapters in every state and other countries. There are regional meetings each year but Garfield Farm is the only one open to the general public in Illinois. Here is a [YouTube video from last year](#).

An MWTCA membership gets you admission to the various meetings that always have tool exhibits. They also publish reprints of long out-of-print catalogs about once a year and they have a quarterly magazine that has wonderful scholarly articles about tools and their history.

The [Early American Industries Association](#) also sponsors the Garfield Farm meet. EAIA objectives are similar to MWTCA but lean more towards the trades that [made and used the tools](#).

Photos from **Chad Montgomery**:





St. James School Auction

St. James School will be holding their annual auction in early November. Our organization is provided free meeting space by St. James. One of the ways we can repay their hospitality is to provide hand crafted items for their auctions. Items will be collected at the October general meeting on Monday, October 17.

Thanks in advance for your contribution.

George Rodgers



Beads of Courage Box Donation

On Thursday, July 28 *George Rodgers* delivered 24 [Beads of Courage](#) Boxes to **Advocate Children's Hospital in Oak Lawn**. The head of their pediatric intensive care unit met George to accept the boxes. We were unable to take pictures of the delivery due to Covid protocols but here is a picture of all of the boxes prior to delivery. These boxes are given to children who are undergoing serious medical and surgical treatments. The majority are going to children dealing with cancer. They are very appreciative of our fine work and our support of the children and their parents during their difficult journey. Thanks to *Al Cheeks, Ron Colliander, Dan Dibiaso, Jim Harvey, Wayne Maier, Lee Nye, George Rodgers* and *Mark Wieting* for taking the time to make these wonderful gifts.

August Door Prizes

DPWW is again having a door prize drawing at our In Person meetings. Tickets are \$2 for 1, \$5 for 3, \$10 for 7, \$15 for 11, \$20 for 15. In August the prizes will be:

106 Drill Bit Set



7pc Forstner Bit Set



DeWalt 20V Drill/Driver



July Door Prize Winners

Don Burgeson - Socket Sets

Jim Simnick - Bosch Trim Router

Bruce Kinney - Setup Bars



From Our Workshop July 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 prior to, or at our July meeting.

With our meetings held via Zoom and in-person, if possible still 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".



Ron Colliander - Step Stool
Walnut - Rubio MonoCoat



Tony Leto - Scroll Saw Caddy
Lumber - Wipe On Poly



Bruce Metzdorf - Dyed Bowl
Ash - Dye, Wipeon Poly



Roy Galbreath - Excavator & Flower Vase
Yellowheart, Wenge, Ash, Jatoba
- Spray poly



Bruce Metzdorf - Ice Cream Scoop
Box Elder - Doctors Pen Finish



Bruce Metzdorf - Bottle Opener
Cherry - Doctors Pen Finish



Don Carkhuff - SlingShot
Tree Branch



Don Carkhuff - Flexible Router Base
- Scraps



Paul Pyrcik - Four Click Pens
Acrylic - Acrylic Polish



**Don Carkhuff - Panel Carrier
Old Rip Saw**



**Bob Bakshis - Portfolio of
Projects
Scrapbook**



**Lee Nye - Table
White Oak - Deck Stain, Odies Oil**



**Bob Bakshis - Eucharist Cabinet
Oak Plywood - Poly**

July FOW Prize Winners

Tony Leto - Ron Colliander

Each won a \$20 gift certificate
to Owl Hardwood.



Logo Clothing

DPWW can order Polo shirts and long sleeve T shirts with embroidered logos for use at events, tours, and just to impress others. It is necessary to have six items for embroidery setup and takes a couple of weeks once the order is submitted.

I have a few items in M, 2XL, and 3XL for the special price of \$20. One large Polo shirt is available for \$23. Ordered shirts are higher. And I have hats available for \$19. I am available at meetings or by phone or email: **Carl Shaffer 630-251-3106, harleypop99@att.net**



About From Our Workshop

FOW is an important part of our DPWW meetings and we love to see what other members have made and hear about details of their work. Even though our meetings are both in-person at St. James, and broadcast via Zoom, please continue to send project photos.

The DPWW board asks that FOW photos be submitted online, even if you plan to bring your project to the in person meeting. You can find [the online form](#) under the [members only tab](#) on our web site. The Google form asks for your name and for project info like in the above pictures, then allows for uploading up to three image files. Photos on screen at the meeting and on Zoom give everyone a better view of projects that our video cameras can see. Whether in-person or on Zoom, you can speak about your project when called upon.

Please continue to bring your projects to the in-person meetings so we can see them before the meeting and during breaks. There will be a drawing at the August meeting for FOW prizes to those who attend in-person. If you need assistance submitting project photos, contact **Lee Nye** woodworkerlee828@gmail.com.