THE NEXT MEETING Tuesday, May 22 AT
Downtown Senior Services Center
200 South Walnut

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Social Gathering @ 6:30 PM
Meeting Starts @ 7:00 PM

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This month’s meeting

Program for the May Meeting

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William (Bill) Moffet is a Black Smith. He will talk about making knives and carving their handles. This crossover program with steel and wood should interest everyone.

but just as important were the smiles and nods of approval I seen on our members faces. We will continue to search for activities such as this that promote the Guild and its mission. It was particularly satisfying to have the emphasis placed on local resources.

Warm weather has brought on the demands of backyards and gardens so the shop has been pushed to the side. Not totally ignored but definitely pushed down on the priority list for the last several weeks.

My daughter told me a story about a friend who was having a difficult time purchasing gifts for her father. He wanted little and when he did need something he went and bought it. It seems her father does a lot of gardening and she thought he could use a personally prepared bag of compost. She winced a little at this explanation and admitted it seemed a little odd. Nothing to be embarrassed about my daughter assured her. My Dad is equally hard to purchase gifts for but seems satisfied with odd chunks of hardwood put in a cardboard box.

Sometimes the best things are local and simple.

Bill Tumbleson

From The President’s Corner –

Thanks to all the members who made the trip to Elderslie Farm for the sawmill demo on May 5th. I counted 34 in attendance. We made a favorable impression on our host, George Elder,
Minutes
Sunflower Woodworkers Guild  April 24, 2012
Visitors: Steve Shock--has a business making rustic furniture from old fence lumber---great pictures of projects
  Vince Wilburn--previous member, now returned, likes old wood working tools and uses them!!
  Kevin Dameron--wood turning
Treasurer reports we have about $5200. in our account---PAY YOUR DUES---CHEAP AT $20/ YEAR
John Rhodes--program chairman---At our May meeting we will have presentation from a blacksmith and how he incorporates carving and iron work!!
OLD BUSINESS: Alan Lacer DVDs recently purchased by Mike Hutton from Mark Adams school near Chicago
  Jerry Keen had flier from Wise Wood Veneers in Michigan. Contact Bill Tumbleson if interested
NEW BUSINESS: Craftsman router crafter for sale $50.--in back of room
SHOW AND TELL
Marlyn Raybourn brought in wooden toy tools from recent trip and tool box---very nice toy for us to make for holiday program

Lou Ortega brought a double dovetail curly maple and purple heart wood box made with an Incra jig he got a garage sale for almost nothing!!! We all thought it was pretty good for his first effort!
His son presented him with a picture frame made from New Zealand Kauri wood that is 45,000 years old!!

John Saranko brought some more of his beautiful intarsia work with all natural wood--no stains

Dennis Fry brought a stair caddy he designed and made to move within side tracts up the basement stairs—the idea is to 'get rid of stuff' from the basement——should work well
Jerry Carpenter brought some nicely made carving knives and noted he used part of commercial band saw blade.

Mike Hutton showed a walnut turned lidded box with a snap fit lid. He also explained the turning class that he had at Marc Adams School.

Bill Tumbleson brought and explained how he adapted an older circular saw to dust port that works well!!

PROGRAM
George Elder  Saw Mill--great presentation with slides, lots of information about different woods that can be worked and brought many examples of finished doors of different local woods.

LIVE Demo at his Saw Mill SAT MAY 5 3635 East 101ST VALLEY CENTER 9AM---
His mill can handle logs up to 12 feet and almost 4 feet in diameter, but prefers to cut to slightly over eight feet in length. AIR dries all his stock with 2500 lbs of weight!!! His mill uses a larger circular blade that is pushed through the log.

TYPES OF WOOD locally that are useable--Red pine, even after the pine bark beetle gets them!!;  Red Cedar; Bald Cypress, Cottonwood----NOT for Outdoor use; many species of Poplar; Red Elm or American Elm; Sycamore, Silver Maple--Soft Maple; White Ash, PECAN, Pin Oak--if it stinks--discard; Sweet Gum has milk white color, Burr Oak--weathers well; Honey Locust has yellow natural look--hard, dense, outdoor use; Black Walnut, Black Locust has pink rose color, hard wood; Osage Orange--hard, dense, weathers well, tough to work but great for tool handles, etc. Indians made bows from this species!!

Milling terms:
quarter sawn--more stable wood
plain sawn
rift sawn--relative stable, economical
flat sawn---can see the 'cathedral' lines--but cupping is a problem!!!
Chain saw used to cut slabs from larger diameter logs

Lumber stacked and weighted for drying

Stacks of lumber weighted down during drying to prevent cup and curl

Drying complete logs for matched drawers or other projects

drying stack with slabs on top. Slabs are 2+ inches thick and up to 3 feet wide.

Slabs from a yew stump for a custom project
**2X4X8 (5.33 Board feet) Contest**

2x4Eight Feet (5.33 Board Feet) 2012 Challenge

1. The project is to be made from a 2x4x8 feet long or any lumber but can contain no more than 5.33 board feet of lumber.
2. The entry can also include one other material for decorative purposes or for a usage that cannot be replicated with wood. This material should not be the primary focus of the entry nor should it be used in a way that makes the piece larger by replacing a component that could normally be made of wood.
3. All entries must have been built in the twelve-month period prior to September 2012.
4. All members of the SWWGuild are eligible to enter. The person submitting a project retains ownership.
5. The deadline for the 2012 challenge is 6:00 p.m. September 26, 2012. (The regular meeting night of the Sunflower Wood Workers Guild)
6. By self-determination a person will submit a project in one of two categories:
   a) Novice or b) Expert. A third category in which everyone is encouraged to enter: Using a construction grade 2"x4"x8' build a useful project.
7. Each participant will unveil their project and have five minutes to describe details of the entry. This will include construction challenges and any questions from the judges.
8. Judges will rate originality, craftsmanship, effectiveness (best incorporates the wood's unique characteristics) and the entertainment value of the presentation.
9. An award will be presented for the best Novice project and the best Expert project.
10. An award will be given for the best project that uses a Construction 2"x4"x8'.

This last award will be given based on a vote by the Guild members.

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