THE NEXT MEETING April 28 AT
THE TABLE TENNIS CLUB
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Social Gathering @ 6:30 PM
Meeting Starts @ 7:00 PM

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Subject Of The Upcoming Meeting

Dan Hagenbuch will demonstrate turning pens from the selection of blanks, turning the barrel of the pen, boring internal hole to accommodate ball point refills, finishing and techniques of assembly.

From The President’s Corner –

Don’t forget the 2X4 challenge. This is your opportunity to be creative and produce a useful item from a 8 foot long “lumber yard” 2X4. This should be a fun exercise. I look forward to seeing what kind of things is produced from a common 2X4. Items will be displayed and judged at our July meeting. Other Guilds have come forward with some pretty amazing things.

The weather is getting a little warmer and this is an opportunity get back out in your shop before the heat of July and August. Kenny Hill, Rufus Alcorn and myself are building step stools which I think are unique in that they convert from a little chair to a step stool by rotating arms that are hinged on a 1/4” bolt. You can image the banter which goes on in the process of producing the stools.

We had a question about our planned tour to observe a sawmill in operation. John Haskins from Derby has agreed to demonstrate his sawmill in action. This offsite will be planned when the weather gets a little warmer and the threat of Spring rains has passed. This should be an interesting demonstration and will provide the opportunity to view a different aspect of woodworking.

As I mentioned at the meeting a lady by the name of Corrine Eller is holding a Historic Seminar in Kingman and needs someone to do a demonstration of “old time” woodworking skills at an October 14 (Saturday) meeting. If anyone has an interest in assisting this lady let me know. If no one comes forward I will let her know we can’t support this request.

If you haven’t been to the Woodshop at 463 North Seneca you should stop by and see the variety of lumber they have for sale. Tim Dreiling the proprietor has indicated he will donate 100 board feet of hardwood to the Guild. If you were wondering where you could buy hardwood, veneer and plywood the Woodshop would be glad supply your needs.

The date for the Veneering Seminar (May 2 and 3) is fast approaching and if you haven’t registered you still have time. The tuition is $50
which includes a Friday evening session May 2 (6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.) and a Saturday session May 3 (9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.). Checks should be mailed to the Guild Treasurer Wendell Parks at 1050 S Dowell in Wichita at zip code 67207.

Bill DeGarmo, President

Sunflower WWG meeting minutes
March 2008

Guests: Joanne Brady (Wellington)
        Mike Sucer
        Joshua Sucer

Old Business: The Dick Gaskill memorial library cabinet will be made from alder and stained to match the existing cabinet.

The Veneering seminar that was scheduled with Bill Hull has been postponed until May 2-3, so if you were sitting on the fence, you now have time to make up your mind and attend.

New Business: Bill DeGarmo announced that the guild would have a 2x4x8 foot challenge with prizes awarded in July. The challenge will be to use a standard lumberyard whitewood (SPF) 2x4 to make whatever you can from that one board and stretch your imagination. The finished piece can only be made from a single board, no more. You can use glue, stain, finish, biscuits, loose tenons and reasonable fasteners. The July meeting will be the judging, so get going!

The president has contacted some local businesses for donations to the toy program fund.

Tim Drieling, Malcolm Fields and Vic Bender have agreed to host a spring shop tour. Dates to be announced.

Toy Program: Chuck Schumacher, Lou Ortega, Bill Tumbleson, David Fowler and Jerry Keen are this year’s toy team captains. If you are interested in building toys, get with one of these members and share your experience (or lack thereof) and get to know other members.

Tim Drieling (The Woodshop) donated 100 board foot of poplar to the program. Thanks Tim.

Show and Tell: Guy Waldo showed a walnut burl footed bowl that cracked on him during turning and being the inventive guy that he is, he then turned a maple tongue and groove ring to contain the damage and then used leather lacing through the crack to make it look like a football! He won 3rd place at the Kansas State fair with this bowl.

Ron Butts showed a couple of toy cars that he made.

Rufus Alcorn and Bill DeGarmo showed a folding step stool that turns into a small child’s chair that they are building for the toy program.

Larry Roth showed a few jewelry boxes that he built for his wife and daughters. They were Ash, Walnut and Bird’s eye Maple finished in lacquer. He used a pin router to make the inside trays and explained his technique for changing the design.

Lou Ortega showed some Corian wheels that he has been cutting for toys. Corian works with woodworking tools just like wood, but with a different smell.

Jerry Keen showed a router table fence that he built with dust collection included. He also showed an adjustable rip guide that mounts in the miter gauge slot. He used scraps lying around the shop to make a 10-inch saw blade traveling box to protect his blades.

John Rhoads showed a couple of toys, a helicopter and a bi-plane made from Baltic birch plywood.

Program: Vice-president, Dan Carlyle, presented this month’s program. Dan runs Acadia Homewrights, a remodeling company in Wichita. They are high-end remodeling contractors and make custom woodwork as
required to match existing customer’s interiors such as raised panel doors, etc. At the Kansas City woodworker’s show, they purchased the Sand Flat Master and Dan showed some of the uses that they have found for it at work.

The design is hardware store technology, but that is only part of the story – the key to the whole thing is using Velcro backed sandpaper on a polycarbonate drum. The paper lasts and lasts due to the centrifugal force of the spinning drum throwing the paper out and that gives a cooling air cushion. The paper doesn’t get hot because the paper isn’t pinched like on a drum sander. He showed that it would flatten a face frame, it doesn’t sand to a thickness, but it sure beats a 3x21 belt sander. Dan let the members play with this machine and made a few believers on how the simplest tools can be some of the best. He made sure that everybody knew that this machine wouldn’t replace a wide-belt sander in a professional shop but if you had $20K for a machine there is no doubt which one he would buy!

**VENEERING SEMINAR RESCHEDULED**

The Sunflower Woodworker's Guild is presenting a seminar on veneering scheduled for Friday May 2 and Saturday May 3, 2008. The presenter is Bill Hull who is a consummate professional in the field of woodworking. The seminar will be held at City Arts located at 334 North Mead in downtown Wichita in room #201. The Friday evening session (6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.) will focus on the basics of veneering and the Saturday session (9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) will go more into detail on the selection of substrates, handling and storage of veneering, slipmatching, bookmatching, types of glues that are best for veneering, manual pressing, vacuum pressing, pattern layout, etc. The cost of the seminar is $50 which will include a sack lunch on Saturday. Reservations may be made by contacting Wendell Parks at 1050 South Dowell in Wichita, Kansas 67207. Make checks payable to the Sunflower Woodworker's Guild. Your reservation plus the tuition of $50 must be received by Wendell on or prior to April 25, 2008.

**Bill Hull - Biography**

Bill was first introduced to woodworking in his father's shop as a boy. He has been working professionally with wood for over 25 years. During that time he has been employed in home construction, commercial cabinet shops, the Oklahoma University Engineering Woodshop and furniture shops. In 1990 he co-founded a furniture manufacturing business which built furniture for designers. In 1993 he left that business to found Patternwork Veneering Inc., which he still operates providing high end patterned and inlaid veneering panels to furniture makers. In addition he teaches furniture making classes at Moore-Norman Technology Center, veneering classes at Marc Adams School of Woodworking and seminars for woodworking clubs and guilds. He has also taught at Woodworks 2000 shows and The Woodworking Shows across the country.

**2X4 Challenge**

In case you missed it in the earlier reports, the guild is sponsoring a contest for members to express your creativity within the limitations of a standard 2X4 that you can get from your neighborhood lumberyard or home center. Read the basic rules in the secretary’s report, run down and get your 2X4 and start making sawdust. The contest will be judged in July and there will be prizes offered.

This should be a fun contest.

If you need ideas, go to [www.lumberjocks.com](http://www.lumberjocks.com) and search their website for 2X4 you will find a link to the winners of a contest sponsored by that group.
One of Larry Roth’s jewelry boxes

Guy Waldo’s turned bowl

John Rhoads’ helicopter

John Rhoads’ Biplane

Jerry Keen’s router fence with saw blade carrier in front

Bill and Rufus stool.
Lou Ortega’s coffee can in the background with Corian Wheels
Dan Carlyle with the Flat Master

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