THE NEXT MEETING  Tuesday, January 26  AT  Downtown Senior Center

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

This months meeting

The program for January will be presented by Burt Unruh and will be on the subject of the many different uses routers.

From The President’s Corner – December 2015

Get to really know your fellow Guild members, their expertise and maybe even their shops! This past week I had another reason for really appreciating being a member of this Guild. To make a long story as short as I can, I was approached by a group at McConnell Air Base to turn a 9” diameter x 10” high pedestal and since I have a lathe with 12” turning diameter I agreed and quoted a price. They delivered a block glued up with 1x 12 pine 11” long. Unfortunately I forgot the clearance I needed for the base of the tool rest. This caused me to think about buying an off-lathe outrigger or to get one made. The block was going to require squaring it closer to the desired diameter and they did a really poor job of gluing it up; lots of slippage when they glued the pieces. I took care of getting the block squared by using hand planes and scrapers (my surface planer would not handle it).

When I was at Les Hastings shop this past Saturday, I asked Les for some advise/ideas on how I could possibly get the block turned. He immediately came up with some ideas on making an outrigger that would only involve two pieces of plywood. And then he said "You are more than welcome to come over and use my 16" lathe." I had to admit that I hadn't but should have thought of the ideas he gave me. I finished making the outrigger in about two hours (remember I'm old and slower than I once was) and completed the turning. The only thing I had left to do was get rid of the "nubs" on each end. Remember that the sign of a good "turner" is that you can't see the marks left by the lathe.

Being a "hand tooler" I removed the nubs with a plane and then scraped the ends flat and finally sanded everything to 180 grit.

So thanks a million for sharing and aiding me Les. The rest of you, start talking to each other about what you make, how you make things, and invite others to your shop area and visit a few.

Clark D. Shultz

Sunflower Woodworkers Guild Meeting Minutes December 22, 2015

OLD BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
The Library has new books (Eric Lamp).
An inquiry was made regarding the whereabouts of the domino jig made by Steve Werner. Does anyone know where it is?

No “Burt’s Barn” this month due to the holidays. The subject for the January meeting will be making the routing template that was demonstrated in the Mark Adams weekend seminar.

Hand Tool Special Interest Group – The group usually meets on the second Saturday of the month but January’s meeting had not been confirmed by the December meeting of the Guild.

First Time Guests
Jordon Poland – Beginning woodworker interested in rocking horses and Adirondack chairs.

Jim Bond – he has made a crib.

Kent Lawson

Recognitions
Mike Hutton was presented with a beautiful plaque for serving as the Guild’s treasurer for the last five years.

Bill Tumbleson talked about the wooden ornaments, toys, and other projects in the Neighbors Store in Halstead.

Kenny Hill reported that there were 10 – 15 tables full of toys made for the Salvation Army.

Show and Tell
Eric Lamp – showed a coat rack he made from wood scraps for his wife’s office. Also, he showed a “redesigned” four legged wood stool that was “a little bit twisted.” He had removed one set of braces and filled the holes with contrasting plugs. He also created the curves in the seat free hand.
Edd Foulton – show a two step stool he made from leftover oak pieces.

John Saranko – showed a beautiful horse he had created using cherry, aspen, maple, walnut and ebony. He said it took him 5 weekends or about 10 football games to complete it.

Bob Zigfield - showed a toy road grader he made following plans published in Wood Magazine. There are 116 pieces in it.

Bob Johnson – showed four tea boxes he made using different joinery, wood, lids and other details for each box. He made a template for the “Tea” letter and had carved the inset for the letters on each box. Some of the woods he used are spalted pecan, pecan, oak, black walnut, cherry and elm. He used an old necklace from a flea market to create the chains for the lids. The
chains each have a little ball in the middle that keeps the chain inside the box as the lid closes.

Jerry Carpenter – showed a four legged step stool he made that has the legs at an outward angle (I think he said 7 degrees). The key to drilling the holes for the legs was the jig he built that holds the top (upside down) at the precise compound angle. Each leg hole can be drilled using the jig at one position and indexing the stool top by 90 degrees for each hole.

Dan Hagenbuch – showed a karate belt holder he made that displays the five different belts representing the karate ranks – white, green, purple, brown and black.

Program – Dennis Laird from the Big Tool Store
Dennis showed some of the new tools that the store has for 2016. Among them are:
Festool Antistatic Hose – vacuum hose with the electrical cord attached to it. The hose is impregnated with metal which makes it static proof. About $100.
Festool 12v Amp hrs cordless drill - includes 2 batteries, charger, removable chuck and angle attachment. About $200.
Smart Vise – a wood vise to clamp to a table. About $100.
Rockler – flexible arm holder for dust collection that fits in mitre slot.
Expandable magnetic cup for screws. $4.00
New feather board with fingers made of foam rubber that has a softer switch out.
Router bit set up wheel with instructional DVD. About $15.00.
Plastic storage bag for storing varnish so it won’t spoil (not for acetone). About $4.00. With a funnel system, about $9.00.
Rockler corner clamp.
Brusso Hinge jig - for holding wok pieces while routing.
Link belts – reduce vibration and can be made to fit almost any length. 6’ for $40.00
Festool – dust collector that sticks on the wall for sheet rock drilling. $21.00
Magnetic level with belt clip – less than $20; without magnet less than $9
Wood vise – put in metal vise to use as a wood vise. Can be also be used in pipe clamp.
Kreg accessory box for K-5 - $39.00
Gripper – The Big Tool store will give $10.00 off for mentioning Dennis’ name.
Saw Stop Portable Site Saw

Dennis demonstrated the new portable Saw Stop saw. It weighs 109 lbs. and has the same technology as the bigger table saws. Dennis demonstrated the “stop” by rolling a hot dog into the blade. The blade stopped and descended beneath the table top in milliseconds! There was barely a scratch on the hot dog. The design of the trigger mechanism is such that a person must be over 30 lbs. in order to fire the stop. This is to prevent false stops. It takes about 10 minutes to replace the brake which costs about $69.00

If you are new to the “Guild”, Burt’s Barn is for hands on learning, creating, and problem solving.

Burt’s Barn starts at 9:00 Am and runs till Noon. The afternoon starts at 1:00 and runs till 5:00 PM. There is usually a group that goes to lunch together. There is no cost, you buy your own lunch, and you can come when you can and leave when you want to.

Burt’s Barn is located at 2506 W 15th St N, Wichita, KS. 2506 is the first house on the north side of 15th St N west of Meridian. The “barn” is the detached garage at the end of the drive on the south side of the house. The entry door is on the west side.

If you have questions about Burt’s Barn or other woodworking questions feel free to call me at 316-655-4151.

Burt’s Barn

January’s meeting will be making router template jigs like the ones Mark Adam’s showed us.
Book Review

The book for this month is a classic example of being able to judge a book by its cover. This tablesaw reference guide does an excellent job acquainting the reader with the basic functions and safety of the tablesaw. Most would agree that the tablesaw is the heart of the woodshop that relies on machines. This book details many of the operations that one would use the tablesaw for as well as how to optimize its performance. There is also a section on blades; their performance, types, sharpening, maintenance etc. Because it is a reference guide there are very handy tabs outlining what's in each section of the book. Some of them include molding technique, sanding techniques, door making, cutting plastic laminate and safety. Of all the power tools in my shop the tablesaw gets the most use. If you are just getting started with the tablesaw or want to expand or improve its function, this book would be worth checking out.

Eric Lamp

Librarian

Just a short note inviting Guild members to check out my shop:

Guild member David Fowler has a new wood shop that will include a Furniture Gallery. The shop, Fowler Woodworking, is at 251 N Cleveland off of Old Town at the corner of 2nd and Cleveland. All members are welcome to stop by and check it out. David's number is: 316-253-5650
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Sunflower Woodworkers Guild membership is voluntary. Our paid dues list are consolidated after the June meeting, eliminating from that list all those who have not paid their 2015 dues. This list determines who gets the Knothole. New and previous members will need to submit new applications when joining.

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