



THE NEXT MEETING **April 27** 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**

Hand Planes - Paul Malanchuk See the Presidents Corner for more details.

**From The President's Corner –**

Greetings fellow woodworkers  
 I hope everyone had a nice Easter. We had quite a group at the Carlyle homestead all three of our children and spouses with grand kids, needless to say it was a noisy affair. This brought me to the thought of maybe a few simple projects that could be made easily. Serving trays are always a handy item. They can be complicated or simple depending on the skill level or taste of the woodworker. Dish and silverware racks are another good project. With summer coming and cookouts these can be very useful moving things from the kitchen to the outdoors. Cutting boards and trivets' are all projects that don't take a lot to build. Heck, with a little luck you might even score a few point to get that new tool for the

shop. A tool nut like me always tries to keep things like this in perspective.

Paul Malanchuk is going to have a program on hand planes this month and has requested that anyone that has a favorite plane to bring it to the meeting. He also would like for everyone to feel free to bring a plane in that maybe isn't working well or needs sharpening. We are hoping this to be more of hands on meeting where members can compare notes on what to look for in a plane. Or if you just want to have some ideas on what to do with that great deal you found at the local flea market or garage sale. We have a lot of talented people that are in this guild with a vast knowledge of old and new planes. Come with an open mind and a plane of whatever your choice is and I bet you will leave with more than you came with.

Dan Carlyle

**Sunflower WWG meeting minutes  
 March 2009**

Guests:

- Warren Stuart
- Burt Unruh
- Ron Gernaat
- Don Detwiler (returning member)
- John Short

Business:

For those of you who don't know it Rick Powell is our membership chairperson. For those of you who didn't notice, he arrived 18 minutes

and 3 seconds late at the last meeting. Sorry Ricky I just couldn't pass that one up.

Toy Program co-chairs Rufus Alcorn and Kenny Hill:

Spirit Aerosystems, at the urging of member Mike Hutton, contributed \$1000 to the toy program. Kenny said that he has places to put "ready to paint toys", if you have some get them to Danny or Rufus.

Back to the old lead paint issue. Royce said that there might be a loophole for us since the toys are not being made for "retail sale" but that his official position is to have no position (lawyer talk). Bill Tumbleson has also been delving into this subject, he said that the Salvation Army will accept our toys. They plan to post an extensive disclaimer about lead paint to hopefully relieve them of responsibility. Our toys are appreciated, last year the toys were all bagged prior to hand out, but the demand for the wood toys was so great that they had to be handed out individually.

Future Programs Bill Tumbleson: We need to develop some programs for the rest of the year. If you have an idea or want to be a presenter get in touch with Bill. One possibility for a Saturday expedition is to take a look at the Hallstead High School woodworking shop. The students are in the process of building a sixteen-foot long canoe. Sounds like a good one Bill.

Show and Tell:

Lou Ortega showed some miniature clamps for small projects. Source was Harbor Freight.

Dan said that a lot of members wanted full sized copies of the push stick shown at the last meeting – who did that?? Well Dan it was I, your under appreciated secretary. The agreement was that it would be published with the next newsletter. For a good looking push stick use ½ inch Baltic birch plywood, otherwise just about any ½ inch plywood will do.

Jerry Keen has ½ inch phenolic available to make table saw inserts. No bend, no warp. See Jerry and he will transform your \$5 into a blank.

Rufus Alcorn showed some excellent band sawed toys with a Minwax stain finish to avoid the lead paint issue. Looks good Rufus.

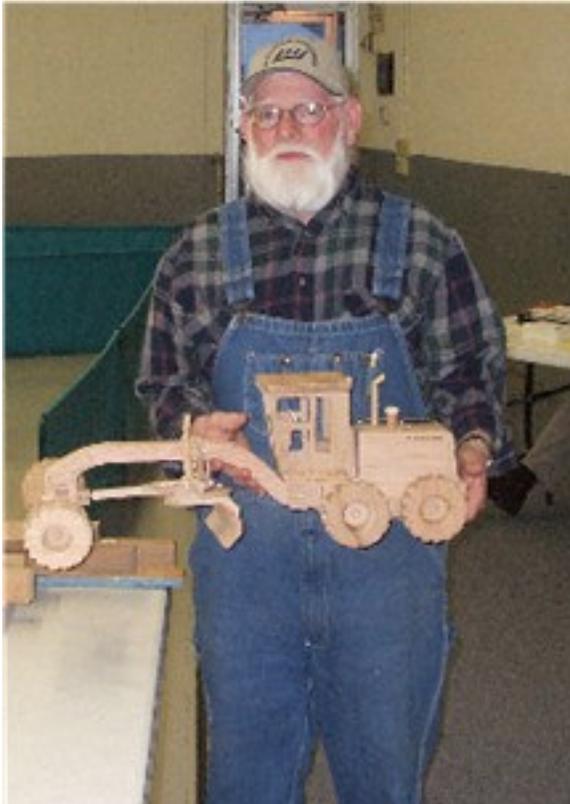


John Rhoades brought samples of milk paint, no lead, for the toy program.

Burt Unruh wanted advice on matching the finish on a ruined table leg. It was said that he needed to determine if shellac or lacquer was used on the original finish. Test by applying denatured alcohol and/or lacquer thinner to the leg. Denatured alcohol only softens shellac. Lacquer thinner only softens lacquer. Stain will be required to match the color. Practice on scraps until you develop a satisfactory technique.



John Hardimas brought an almost fully functional road grader to show. About the only thing that I saw missing was the diesel engine. John said he spent about two weeks making it.



Bill Tumbleson brought in his oversized wooden dominoes destined for a nursing home. He said that the Guild owned domino jig worked great. His neighbor, John Wills, is willing to provide walnut wood for anyone else wanting to build a set of dominoes.

Paul Malanchuk has found a source for cheap band saw blades. He said he paid \$6 for 4 blades. The blades come in long lengths so you'll have to cut to length and weld them. Source: Mires Tool Company at 4330 Esthner Street, just west of West street.

James Craven brought in a realistic sounding turkey call he had made from scrap wood.



## March Program

The March Program was on Intarsia  
Presenter: John Saranko

**Intarsia:** a mosaic of wood fitted and glued into a wooden support popular in 15th century Italy for decoration; **also:** the art or process of making such work.

John brought samples of his work including a deer, the statue of liberty, a 3-D clock that was lighted and a dinosaur. His basic rule is to use no dye, no stain, only the contrast of woods for the pieces so that a clear finish will set the project off. He gets ideas from a catalogue by Kathy Wise. Patterns are available from this source that include suitable woods, and grain direction of the components. An additional on line source is [www.intarsia.com](http://www.intarsia.com). Most of the parts are made with a scroll saw. The scroll saw set up is critical or the parts won't fit together. John says normally he sets the saw blade for 1/8 inch deflection but thinner blades require greater tension. A tip is to use contrasting pencil colors from the wood so that the lines are easier to follow, then cut down the middle of the lines. Our thanks to John for an excellent program with beautiful samples.





## The Toy Program

The guild has received information that Conco Construction has donated \$250.00 for the toy program. Additionally Kenny Hill has a large quantity of walnut trim from a project Conco is building at this time.

Thank you, Conco Construction

On April 4 several members gathered at Holtzen Woodworking. A large pile of soft maple was distributed to those present. If you need some of this lumber for building toys, contact Kenny Hill, Rufus Alcorn, Wendell Parks, Bill DeGarmo, or Phil Bump.



Thank you, John and Peggy

## Presentation at Goddard Medicalodge

Here are pictures of the presentation of the table topper and checker set.





Virginia and Bob showing dominoes



**Answers to last month's puzzle**

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|------|------|--------|
| 1— c | 5— l | 9-- b  |
| 2— i | 6— k | 10-- f |
| 3— a | 7— h | 11-- d |
| 4— e | 8— j | 12-- g |

**Classified Ad**

Note: Members are encouraged to use the Knothole to list any items you may have for sale to other guild members.

**Mike Hutton** has offered his right tilt 3HP single phase 220V Delta Unisaw with two Delta Unifence heads, 52 inch rail, extension table with router plate cutout and sliding table attachment. This is the real deal cabinet saw that is super smooth and vibration free. Having two fences allows you to have the saw setup and also use the extension table router with it's own fence setup. The sliding table is great for cross cutting bigger panels and notice the better accuracy of the miter setups. The Unifence is great for repeat cutoffs as it can slide back and not cause binding or you can slide it along the head for better stock control.

The extension table is over three inches deep to maintain table flatness. Also included is the manuals, one blank router insert plate (router not included), wrenches, miter gage, throat inserts, splitter guard and it is setup for 4 inch dust collection duct.

I still have enough of the ½ inch phenolic for about 10 to 12 zero clearance inserts. This is good not only for single blade cuts but also for dado blades.

Let me know the overall dimension of your opening. --Jerry Keen



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