Tooth & Nail

Newsletter of the St Tammany Woodworkers Guild

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NEXT MEETING

Tuesday Aug 24, 2021 7:00 pm Using ZOOM

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84478219079?pwd=QnR2VllxOU5rbXBwTHhscXVMMGh0Zz09

Meeting ID: 844 7821 9079

Passcode: 01786

Agenda: Questions, Show 'n Tell. For the demo, Bob Busfield will talk about a finishing project using polyurethane.

Joe Perret called the June meeting to order at the St. Joseph Abbey Woodshop on June 22, 2021.

Wayne Thompson reported that we have \$4999.20 in the treasury. He plans to start over in 2022 collecting dues. He has reserved the banquet hall for Thursday night, Dec. 9. He said that we will determine the ticket price after the boat festival.

Henry Simon said that The Wooden Boat Festival is scheduled for Sept. 25 and 26. Instead of pontoon boats for the toddlers, we will have a small single-hull boat.

Joe had box parts for building glue gun safety boxes.

Gerald Gibson offered to host a meeting at his house and to have a fall picnic in October.

Brain Harrell volunteered to do Shaker box workshops in the fall.

Joe called for woodworking questions. We discussed problems with PT lumber curving. It should be used immediately, avoid the middle of the tree. Carruth Brothers Lumber handles KDPT and Gueydan Lumber stocks PT #1 lumber. We also discussed water-resistant finishes. General Finishes products were recommended.

For Show 'n Tell, Brian Stauss brought in a side table made from wild cherry from a friend's farm in Pennsylvania. He installed the inlay using a Dremel tool with a mini router base and special router bits. The curved drawer front and side were made from 6 or 7 layers of veneer that he cut on the band saw and glued up using a form of his own design. The form is made of 5 layers of MDF and has multiple holes for inserting clamps. He offered to loan the form to anyone who would like to build this table.

Craig Bond showed us some of his scroll saw puzzles. He makes them using a narrow, but not a round blade which would be too difficult for him to control. The eagle from the Goblin's Ride is made out of sinker cypress, which is not a soft, easy-to-cut wood. The other puzzles are made of cherry and walnut. He fits the pattern to the grain. He sells his puzzles at the Mandeville Trail Head and the Madisonville Market.



Brian Stauss shows the bending form he devised for gluing up layers of veneer into the curved drawer front and side. The table is made from wild cherry.







Aaron Mahnke brought in one of two tables he made from cherry and local sweet gum. He used castle joints made with a tenoning jig. He installed a butterfly in the sweet gum top. Aaron also showed a pecan pen he turned on a lathe and a picture frame with a batman inlay.

Jack Terry showed a table leg he milled using his Legacy Ornamental Mill, which uses router bits. He also showed us a hammer with an adjustable claw angle that he found at Dirt Cheap in Hammond.





Craig Bond shows his eagle, a scroll saw puzzle made from sinker cypress.



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Joe Perret has been working with composite nails made from polymer resin and fiberglass. The contain no metal and won't set off a Saw Stop blade. They require their own Senco nail gun. He said the composite nails have twice the tensile strength of a comparable metal nail and one-half the shear strength. Joe also showed his carpenter bee traps. They are made from either a box or a wood block with a 1/2" hole for the bees to enter through and a 1" hole to accept the bottle. The bottle is glued to the box with epoxy. Once the bees get into the bottle, they just can't get out.

Joe took members on a tour of the new 5000 square foot addition to the Abbey Woodshop and served some delicious cup cakes.

-Pat Robbert







Aaron Mahnke shows his table made with castle joints. The top is local sweet gum and the base is cherry. He turned the pen out of pecan.

Jack Terry shows a table leg he milled using his Legacy Ornamental Mill. It uses router bits.





MISSION

The Guild is an organization founded in 1991 by local woodworkers for the purpose of education and inspiration in the art of woodcraft. The Guild is open to anyone who has an interest in woodworking at any skill level. Most members live in St. Tammany Parish but some come from Washington, Orleans, and Jefferson Parishes. Meetings are on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM except July when there is no meeting and December when the Banquet replaces the meeting.

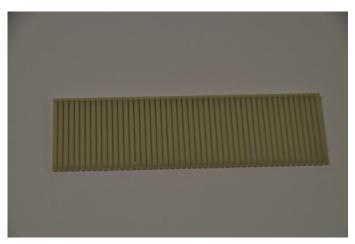
No matter what your level of experience is in the field of woodworking or where your interests lie, e.g., woodturning, flatwork, or carving, the Guild is there for your enjoyment and fellowship. Regardless of how many tools you own, whether you have a shop or not, come and see what the Guild is all about.



Jack Terry found this hammer with an adjustable claw angle at Dirt Cheap in Hammond.

Joe Perret shows two carpenter bee traps, one made from a solid block of wood, the other from a hollow box.





Joe Perret shows a card of composite nails, made from polymer resin and fiberglass. They require a special Senco nail gun.