

Tooth & Nail

September 2023

Newsletter of the St. Tammany Woodworkers Guild



Next Meeting

Time and Place

- Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2023
- 7:00 pm
- Brian Harrell's Workshop
- 47087 Rivergate Dr.
- Robert, LA 79455

[Map to Brian
Harrell's Workshop](#)

Agenda

- Plans for upcoming boat show
- Demo on making a bandsaw reindeer
- Show 'n Tell
- Woodworking Questions, Tips, and Safety
- Pay dues \$25 for the year

Minutes

The August meeting of the St. Tammany Woodworkers Guild was hosted by PMC in Hammond and was a joint meeting with the Baton Rouge Woodworkers Club. It was held on Saturday, Aug. 5, 2023, at 9:00 am.

BRWC President Richard Robles opened the meeting and introduced the presenter for the meeting, Dr. Todd Shupe, President of Wood Science Consulting, LLC.

Lee Owens, Baton Rouge's Community Outreach Coordinator, discussed the club's various public service initiatives including the

Iberville Swamp Live Expo held on the 1st Saturday in October. The club makes bird houses with children that attend the Expo.

STWG President Tom Gustafson opened the Guild's portion of the meeting by thanking Warren Dufrene for hosting last month's meeting at his shop and for making the presentation on the Lichtenberg Figure Wood Burner.

Tom asked the members to respond to an inventory list request of boat parts that will be sent out. He provided templets for the various types of boat cabins that are still needed.

There will also be a survey coming out asking members for monthly meeting time preferences.

Tom announced that the deposit has been paid for our annual banquet. The venue is a new one, this year, **Fleur de Lis Event Center**, 1645 N. Causeway Blvd, Mandeville.

In Tips/Questions/Safety issues, members were warned of the dangers of using damaged router bits.

Dr. Shupe's presentation was on identifying types of woods. He recommends getting the book "Identifying Wood: Accurate Results with Simple Tools" by R. Bruce Hoadley (available on Amazon for \$27) and getting a hand lens. He had a Wood Identification Kit from Wisconsin Crafts that is no longer in production.

In Show-and-Tell, Warren Dufrene showed some turned bowls, freedom pens, and tool handles he has made.

Lee Owens, from BRWC, recommends the website toymakingplans.com. He showed a toddler balance bike he built using plans from the site.

Mike Copeland, from BRWC, showed a segmented vase he turned.

Brian Stauss described a replica altar he is making for his church.

Craig Bond presented a puzzle he has made.

Brian Harrell showed a bandsaw reindeer he has made.

My thanks to John Fisher for filling in and recording the meeting minutes and taking photographs.

-Pat Robbert, Secretary STWG

Show 'n Tell



Lee Owens, from the Baton Rouge Woodworkers Club, shows a toddler balance bike he built. He recommends the website toymakingplans.com.



Mike Copeland, from BRWC, shows a segmented vase he turned.



Warren Dufrene, Jr. shows two bowls he turned.



Warren turned the tool handles for his carbide turning tools.



Craig Bond shows an intricate scroll saw puzzle.



Craig's puzzle.



Brian Stauss describes a replica altar he is building for his church.

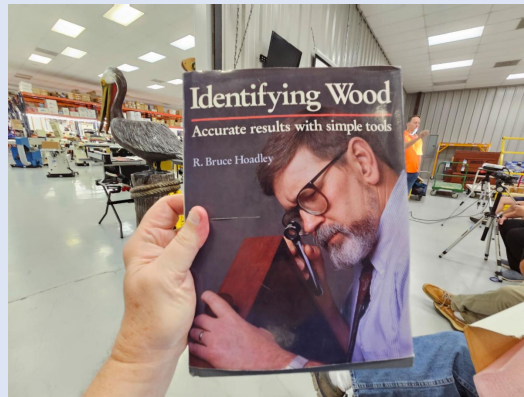


Brian Harrell describes making a 3-D reindeer at the bandsaw.

Demonstration



Dr. Todd Shule, President of Wood Science Consulting, LLC, gave a talk on identifying wood species.



He recommends R. Bruce Hoadley's book, "Identifying Wood: Accurate results with simple tools."

President: Tom Gustafson
Vice-President: John Fisher
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