

The Cincinnati Woodworker

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The Cincinnati Woodworking Club Newsletter

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THE March 14, 2009 MEETING AGENDA

The Southeast Group is presenting the program in March and we are pleased to have two great presenters for our meeting.

Chris Schwarz is the Editor of Popular Woodworking and has spent a major portion of his life practicing his craft and refining his approach to the use of woodworking hand tools. He has presented to the club in the past and has always been a great contributor to our programs. This time, Chris will be focusing on the use of handsaws as an essential tool for the shop.

Even with the availability of great power tools, sawing by hand is still a tremendous skill that, when done properly, can save time and effort. Chris will help us understand how the simple skill of sawing allows us to easily cut compound angles, angled joinery and cuts that might take hours of jig-building and test-cutting on a table saw.

Dennis Reed is the Manager of Woodcraft in Fairfield. In addition to spending his life in the field of woodworking, Dennis is an accomplished woodworker and has shared his art many

times at our meetings. As Dennis will tell you, one of the things that confound many woodworkers is the process of sharpening tools well, while trying not to take half a day in the process. Dennis will be sharing the **Work Sharp sharpening system** as one of the newest tools available to help us with this task.

The meeting in March promises to be a good one and the Southeast group looks forward to seeing you at that time.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

Thank you all once again for the many boxes, cut-outs, cars and other paintable wood items which you have donated to Children's Hospital. You may never know first-hand how much they have been appreciated, but believe me, the Cincinnati Woodworking Club is held in very high regard by the staff there for our great contributions. I don't identify the individual sources, but you might like to know that I have kept them supplied with 'business cards' which are put with each item as they are handed out to the kids and families. I also take photographs of what you give me - be sure to check out our website where they can all be seen, and get ideas and inspiration. Don't miss the pictures of the boxes which the kids decorated - It's hard to get these 'after' photos but these few are a great example of what the kids can enjoy doing. It has been a while since we have had any boxes. While everything is good, 'Memory Boxes' have a special use for them, so if you feel like trying your hand at making a contribution, please consider making boxes as an option. No special design - but maybe 6" - 9" long, x 4"-5" wide and deep, would be good. Not too big to put on a bedside table. Lid can be hinged, sliding, or just fitted on. Again, see the photos. There's plenty of scope for originality and creativity, but the CWC website does have a drawing for anyone that needs one. Another request; it helps to have items paint-ready, i.e. splinter-free. I occasionally have to do some hand-sanding as most of the kids can't do that part. This applies especially to cut-outs in thin plywood. But don't let that discourage you - I have my sanding blocks ready! See you and your items at the next meeting. I'll bring a truck to carry it all! Spring is coming, but it's too soon for the yard work, so what else is there to do? Think about it! 160 members, one item each, on average. That would be a lot! But there are 400 kids waiting at CCHMC, and their days are long and dreary! Think of all the smiles we can bring to them. **Basic Maddox**



Basil Maddox explaining the needs of the Children's Hospital project and how much the children and their parents appreciate our efforts on their behalf.

A Reminder:

This is the 4th meeting of our club year. Your dues are now past Due, if you haven't paid!



Arson Investigator Steve Claytor and his dog Rudy demonstrate Rudy's talent to find Chemicals that can start a fire.

*We feature some of the show and tell items in the newsletter and on the Web Site
Bring your work to the meeting and share*



Larry Oestreich "Bowlwright" Demonstrating and explaining the operation of these old hand powered tools. This is almost a lost art and we were fortunate to learn about it from an expert.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Membership dues are payable each **September** – the beginning of our club year – and we encourage you to **pay promptly and support your fine club**. New members can join anytime. Your CWC dues are a great value and pay the club's many expenses (Your benefits) include the meeting room, audiovisual system, videos, Web site, newsletter, advertising, doughnuts, and the annual May meeting luncheon. Dues also pay for the door prizes at each meeting, therefore we ask that only current, paid members participate in the door prize drawings.

Annual Dues:	Adults	\$15.00
	Student	\$ 5.00

To join or renew, fill out the attached **Membership Application** form on page 4 and, with your payment, mail it or bring it to the next meeting. You may also complete the application online at the club web site.

Need to know if you are paid up? A Paid Members List is posted at each meeting. If you receive this newsletter via U.S. Mail, check the **mailing label**, an "09", indicates you are paid up for the 2008-2009 club year.

CWC is open to woodworkers of all skill levels, without regard to sex, race, religion, national origin, age, or handicap.

SHOW AND TELL

As always, we will have time for show and tell. If you have a newly completed project, a new tool or jig, please bring it to the meeting to share with the other club members. We will be featuring some of the projects in future newsletters and on the Web Site. There will also be time for an open question and answer session. If you have a woodworking problem or question, bring it up at the next meeting. Someone there will be sure to have a solution.

CLUB CONTACTS

Have questions about the club? We will be glad to help.

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COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

Auction Results. Our auction and other donations made over \$1700 this year. WOW!!!!!! Thank you to all who donated “stuff” for the auction and those individuals that purchased the fine merchandise. This year we followed a different approach and it cut down on the auction time. Definitely the early birds got some fine bargains and members got to eat lunch earlier. We will follow the same approach for next year’s tool sale/auction.

Favorite Toys. Feedback from the Director of the Christian Appalachian Project indicates the following toys as favorites among the children.

1. Pull Toys
2. Workable dump trucks or bulldozers
3. Three car carriers
4. Wooden puzzles
5. Cradle and dolls

Toy Making Supplies. We have the following toy making supplies.

1. Wheels from 1 to 2 inches
2. 1/4, 3/8 and 1/2 inch dowels
3. Axel pegs
4. One, 1 1/4, and 1 1/2 inch balls
5. Locomotive stacks
6. Two inch split balls
7. 1/2 x 3/4 inch various colored beads
8. Various toy plans.

Any toy maker that would like to have a supply of these items please contact **John Leonardi** at 513-921-2027. You can either pick these up from him or the following individuals have some of the supplies **Larry Lockwood, Earl North** or **Terry Elfers**. Orders before the March meeting will have them delivered at the meeting.

If anyone can think of a toy-making item that you would like purchased, please call John Leonardi. We may be able to reimburse you for the cost.



Some of the Auction items ready for Buy now or Bid later. Many great items were donated and thanks to everyone who participated, either by donation or purchasing a much needed tool.



*Support
The Troops*

MISCELLANEOUS

Parking Lot Swap and Sale

Don't forget the parking lot sale and swap during the break. Feel free to bring your excess woodworking tools or other woodworking items for sale or swap.

Donuts and Coffee

We will be furnishing donuts this meeting but, you will have to bring your own coffee. The coffee should be in cups with lids and in the unlikely event you should spill some of the coffee



Please Clean It Up.

Southeast Group

Members

Southeast Group Leaders have requested that the **Southeast Group Members** arrive a half hour early and or stay a half hour after the meeting to help set up for the meeting and then put every thing back the way it was before the meeting.

Thanks



Gary Claytor our very own Auctioneer during the Annual Tool Auction

COFFEE TIME

Coffee - If you would like to come early, the church is open by 8:00 AM. Pick up your coffee wherever you please and come kibitz with your fellow woodworkers before the meeting starts at 9:00 AM.



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Guests

Guests and prospective members are always welcome at CWC meetings. If you know someone who is a woodworker or wants to learn, please invite them to join us.

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THE WEB**

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Cincinnati Woodworking Club Membership Application

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Date _____ New _____ Renewal _____

Home Phone: (____) _____

Work Phone: (____) _____

Email: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Occupation: (Current or Retired) _____

Please check all your interests that apply:

Beginner: _____ Amateur: _____ Professional: _____

General Woodworking: _____ Cabinetmaking: _____

Furniture Repair and Refinishing: _____

Wood Turning: _____ Carpentry: _____ Carving: _____

Do not sell or give out my address: _____

Send Application with \$15.00 for adults, \$5.00 for students to:

Dick Fisher
7422 Silver Creek Road
Cleveland, Ohio 45002

DIRECTIONS TO THE MEETING

Date:

March 14, 2009

Time:

Room opens at 8:30 AM, the meeting is from 9:00AM to 12:30 PM.

Location:

Northminster Presbyterian Church, 703 Compton Road. Located in Finneytown, 703 Compton is East of Winton Road, approximately .2 mile on the South side of Compton Road.

This meeting will be held in the Disciples Hall located in

the basement. Please park behind the church and enter through the double doors on the right side of the building.

Directions:

From the North and East

Take I-275 to exit #39, Winton Rd. exit. Go south on Winton Rd. approximately 5 miles to Compton Rd. Turn left onto Compton Rd.

From the South

Take I-71 or I-75 to the Ronald Reagan Highway.

Go west to the Winton Road/Galbraith Road exit.

Turn left onto Galbraith Road, Turn right onto Winton Road Follow Winton approximately 1.2 miles to Compton Road Turn right onto Compton Road.

From the West

Take I-275 to the Ronald Reagan Highway Go east to the Winton Road North exit (second Winton Road exit). Follow Winton Road approximately 1 mile to Compton Road Turn right onto Compton Road.

See You There!



Terry Elfers and Friend

2008 - 2009 Meeting Schedule

Saturday, September 13, 2008
Northwest Group owns agenda

Saturday, November 8, 2008
Southwest Group owns agenda

Saturday, January 10, 2009
Central Group owns agenda

Saturday, March 14, 2009
South-east Group owns agenda

Saturday, May 9, 2009
Northeast Group owns agenda

Reminder: CWC 2008-2009 Woodworking Contest

The Challenge: Make a Toy or Build a Trebuchet

The purpose of the Contest Program is to encourage and invite participation in a woodworking project, to share ideas and expertise and to compete against your peers. The contest will be held at the last meeting of the year. Members will have the entire year to work on their contest entry, but the entry does not need to be made during the year. It could be something you made a long time ago that you are really proud of.

This year's contest gives members the opportunity to enter in two categories. The first category is to build a toy. It can be any kind of toy as long as it is made of wood. This could be a prototype for the toy program or a toy you've previously made and now you can make with hard woods or exotic wood. It could be a toy you would like to make as an heirloom for a child or grandchild. There are no rules or limitations as to size or type of toy you build. The only limitation is your own imagination.

Again, there will be two groups of contestants in the toy portion of the contest: the Previous Winner's group (those who have won first, second or third in the previous contests) and the General Population group (everybody else).

This year there will be an additional category. This category will be to build a miniature trebuchet to throw a tennis ball. For those of you who do not know what a trebuchet is (some of us did not). It is a catapult operated by gravity. A box of rocks is at one end of the fulcrum and a projectile is in a sling at the other. When a pin is pulled from under the box of rocks, it falls flinging the projectile through the air. This is an over simplification of the process as the length of the fulcrum is probably critical to make sure that the projectile does not go straight up into the air and come down on your head. The trebuchets will be tested prior to the May meeting. Andy Strain will coordinate the testing and certify the results of the tests (length of the throw) which will be considered in the contest judging.

The purpose of this category is an attempt to increase the number of participants and to give more members an opportunity to win. It offers a challenge to build a more complicated wooden project with moving parts. Members are invited to enter the toy contest, the trebuchet contest or both. Double your chances to win, double your fun.

Every member will be given a ballot at the May meeting. The General Population group will be designated as 101-199, the Previous Winner's group will be designated as 201-215 and the Trebuchet category will be designated as 301-315.

The members will vote for first, second and third in the General Population group, in the Previous Winner's group and in the Trebuchet group. You can only vote for an entry once and you cannot vote for your own project. A first place vote counts three points, a second place vote counts two points and a third place vote counts one point. The votes will be totaled and the most points will be awarded first place, second most points second place and so on.

The entries will be judged using five criteria:

ORIGINALITY OF DESIGN (How unique is it?)

FUNCTIONALITY OF DESIGN (How well does it work?)

ARTISTIC DESIGN (Is it pretty?)

FINISH (sanding, stain, top coat)

TECHNICAL EXPERTISE (complex angles, joinery, inlay etc.)

Winners will be announced at the May meeting. 1st, 2nd, 3rd place and Honorable Mention winners will receive ribbons. And their projects will be featured in the newsletter and posted on our web site. All first, second and third place winners will be in the previous winners category for the next year's contest.

Any questions contact 2008-2009 Contest Coordinators Gary Claytor (williamclaytor@fuse.net) and Larry Lockwood (llockwood@cinci.rr.com) or Andy Strain (astrain@fuse.net) for trebuchet related questions.

CINCINNATI WOODWORKING CLUB

ANNUAL SEMINAR 2009

◆ Featuring Keith Neer -- Power Tool Setup and Safe Use -- sharing secret tips & techniques to make you smile ◆

DATE: April 25, 2009

TIME: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

LOCATION: Mueller Woodworking Supply – 101 E. Benson, Reading, Ohio

ADMISSION: \$25 FOR MEMBERS - \$35 FOR NON-MEMBERS

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Keith Neer, furniture designer, builder and teacher will conduct our annual seminar for 2009. Through the efforts of Jerry Leupen, a founding club member and employee of Mueller, we are also pleased to announce that our co-sponsor for this year's seminar is Mueller's Woodworking Supply. Beginning in March we will be accepting seminar applications. CWC members (whose dues are paid in full) and non-members may reserve a seat by filling out the appended application and sending it, along with a check payable to the Cincinnati Woodworking Club, to Dick Fisher (see application below).

Dr. Keith Neer's Biography:



Dr. Keith Neer, after completing his PhD at the University of Nebraska, took a position with Virginia Polytechnic Institute (VPI) as an Assistant Professor. He later joined the Kroger Company in Cincinnati, Ohio, as a Product Development Technologist. During his 28 years at Kroger he held various positions. The last 10 years was served in a senior capacity as Vice President of Corporate Food Technology and Regulatory Compliance.

Keith started woodworking in 1971. Since that time he has made numerous family pieces of furniture with an occasional commission piece added to the workload. In 2005, he retired from industry to follow a dream and started Clermont Woodworking and Design, Inc. Shortly thereafter, he finished his Master's in Woodworking at Marc Adams School of Woodworking.

Since retirement, he has worked full time as a furniture designer and builder. He also restores heirloom furniture and teaches at local woodworking supply retailers. In addition, he instructs 6 – 8 students on an individual basis in his shop. Current work and pictures of his shop can be viewed at www.Clermontwoodworking.com.

Seminar Overview:

The emphasis of this year's seminar is on understanding how to set-up and safely use the five most useful power tools in the woodworking shop. Those being the table saw, band saw, planer, jointer and router. The objective is to provide a learning experience for every level of expertise represented, to focus on equipment and its use rather than the completion of a project. However, Keith will use the construction of a small table to demonstrate the use of each power tool. We want to excite and encourage woodworkers to elevate their skills in the art of woodworking. I think we have all found that jigs make woodworking projects, in most cases, a lot easier. Keith will be discussing and demonstrating the use of jigs he has designed and effectively used over the years.

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(Return this portion with your payment)

CWC Winter Seminar Application

Keith Neer – Power Tool Setup and Safe Use – April 25, 2009

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Fees: \$25 members; \$35 non-members

Fill in your name and phone number. Return this application To Dick Fisher, 7422 Silver Creek Rd., Cleves, Ohio 45002, along with a check, payable to the Cincinnati Woodworking Club, for the appropriate amount. You may also bring it to the March meeting.

Questions? Contact Terry Hale: 859-635-1329 or thale@cincinnatiwoodworkingclub.org