

The Cincinnati Woodworker

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The Cincinnati Woodworking Club Newsletter

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Don't forget the Tool Auction after the meeting! See details page 3.



Kids in a CAP Child Development Center enjoying the Doll Table & Chairs built by Bill Rottenberger.

THE January 10, 2009 MEETING AGENDA

Steve Claytor, an arson investigator with the Green Township Fire Department, will address our membership on the **issue of shop safety as it relates to fire prevention**. Specifically, he will address electrical fires and explosions he has investigated in workshop settings. At the conclusion of his presentation, he will demonstrate how an arson dog detects gasoline at a fire scene with the help of his arson dog, Rudy. His presentation should last approximately 45 minutes. He will be introduced by his brother, Gary, who is a member of our club.

In the second presentation, **Larry Oestreich**, who teaches hand woodworking methods, will discuss one way that a woodworker can convert windfall and other free logs into beautiful objects with a minimum of tools. He uses gift trees and logs to create heirloom quality wooden bowls and other functional objects without the intervention of the sawmill and a dry kiln. **Larry Oestreich "Bowlwright"** has long been involved with woodworking, spending time in his father's woodshop as a helper from the age of seven. After years of involvement with early technologies involving such

diverse interests as steamboats, early mining, sawmill operations, blacksmithing and historic building restoration, he decided to experiment with a more direct way of working wood. Using the books of Roy Underhill, the Woodwright on PBS television, he began a journey through traditional woodworking resulting in a career of carving wooden bowls and other functional wooden objects. He also teaches traditional hand woodworking methods to grade school children at the local Waldorf schools.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

Jim Schaefer Toy Project — This year the Club donated 1400 items to the Christian Appalachian Project (CAP). WOW!!!! Andy Strain, Dusty Eling and Terry Elfers delivered the toys on November 10 to CAP in Mt. Vernon, KY. The toys were delivered with a rental truck that Dusty was able to obtain at a reasonable price. It cost \$125 for a 16 foot truck. We will probably use the same method next year unless someone in the club can suggest a better alternative. As always, we received a warm welcome. They are very appreciative of our efforts. Last year they penned a poem to honor us and this year they wrote an article and placed it on their website at <http://www.christianapp.org>. (Note: there is some misinformation in the article; we're working to get it corrected.)

We want to thank everyone that helped make this happen. Thanks to all who helped us carry the toys down to the basement, and back up to load the truck on Monday morning. Special thanks to all those individuals who donated their time, effort, and material to enable these children to have a Merry Christmas.

Terry Elfers & John Leonardi

Jackson Area Ministries—This year the CWC collaborated and shared resources to contribute toys to needy children in Ohio served by Jackson Area Ministries. About 5 years ago Ken Koch and Earl North began providing used furniture to Jackson Area Ministries, or JAM. JAM is a mission activity of the United Methodist Church (UMC). It is about 33 years old and headquartered in Jackson, Ohio. The area served is the counties from Adams to Washington along the Ohio River and those counties two tiers above the river counties. The area is largely the western side of the Appalachian mountain range in the state of Ohio. In years past this was mostly a coal mining region, now there is some logging and farming, and very low income. About 50 percent of families' incomes are below the federal poverty level. About 60 percent of families are single-parent.

Ken Koch and Earl North delivered the following toys to Jackson on November 14, 2008: (cont'd on Page 3)

A Reminder:

This is the 3rd meeting of our club year. Your dues are now past Due, if you haven't paid!



Scroll-Sawn Eagle by
Ralph Easley

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



2 Router Bowl/Tray examples
by Dennis Reed

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 (cont'd from Page 1)

50 Airplanes, 50 Grasshoppers, 25 Jewelry boxes, 20 Boxes for boys, 27 Balance beams, 50 miscellaneous toys, some assembled and some kits from Lowe's.

In the boxes for both CAP and JAM were 50 Bengals stickers, 50 Reds pens, Bracelets, Bobble heads, etc. Plus 40 yoyo's, and 400 pieces of jewelry. The total count includes 222 Toys, 540 other items, or a Total of 762 items to Jackson. Thanks to all who contributed!

Ken Koch & Earl North

Annual Tool Auction

A lot of toys made for deserving children include wooden wheels. The past two years we have been able to provide most of the wooden wheels needed, along with some axles and other parts. We will again have our tool auction after our January 10th meeting to replenish the funds for more toy making supplies.

If you have spare tools, books, magazines, wood (or whatever) that you would like to donate, please bring them to Terry Elfers or John Leonardi at the next meeting. We will have the tool auction at the end of the meeting. This year we will have a modification to the auction process in order to speed things up. All the items will have a "buy it now" price. Anytime before the auction, individuals can buy the item for the marked price and pay Gladys Riehle (our toy supply treasurer). At the end of the meeting, we will auction all items that have not been purchased. **Come and get some bargains!!!!**

As always, the proceeds will be used to purchase toy making supplies, which will be distributed to the toy makers at the March meeting.



A little girl at CAP is fascinated by a duck with flapping feet built by Karl Buck, Terry Elfers, Terry Hale, John Leonardi, Charlie Martin, Andy Strain and Loyd Weaver.



**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.

Central Group

Members

Central Group Leaders have requested that the **Central 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



**Assorted boxes crafted by
Carl Hauser.**

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

DIRECTIONS TO THE MEETING

Date:

January 10, 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!



Neill Harrell demonstrates his homemade Copy Carver duplicator.

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.

CWC Spring Seminar 2009

Speaker: Dr. Keith Neer
Location: E.B. Mueller Co., Reading, Ohio
Date: April 25, 2009
Time: Approximately 6 hours of instruction (start and stop times to be determined)
Cost: \$25 per member and students
 \$35 for non-members

Objectives:

1. To provide a learning experience for every level of expertise represented.
2. To focus on equipment and its use rather than the completion of a project even though a project (the building of a table) may be utilized to tie the discussion together.
3. To excite the participants and encourage them to further immerse themselves in the art of woodworking

General Plan To Achieve The Objectives:

- A. Cover the following topics on each piece of equipment utilized in the clinic.
 - Describe the primary use for the piece of equipment?
 - Explain how the design of this equipment allows it to accomplish its primary function.
 - Demonstrate the “one time” adjustments which must be made on the equipment when it is new.
 - Discuss the ongoing calibration issues which must be managed to maintain the equipment in top form.
 - Discuss the major safety concerns with the equipment and demonstrate appropriate safety procedures.
 - Demonstrate the proper, safe use of the equipment.
 - Discuss and demonstrate the use of jigs which are necessary to maximize the use of the equipment
- B. Focus on the following pieces of equipment:
 - Joiner,
 - Thickness Planer,
 - Band Saw,
 - Table Saw
 - Router.

Dr. Keith Neer 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. After leaving VPI, Dr. Neer 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.

In 1971, he started “practicing” in the craft of woodworking. Since then 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 Masters in Woodworking at Marc Adams School of Woodworking. Current work and pictures of his shop can be viewed at <http://www.clermontwoodworking.com/>.

Since retirement, Keith 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 located near Cincinnati, Ohio. He has also generously shared his time and his shop with the members of the Cincinnati Woodworking Club.

In his personal life, Keith serves in a number of capacities throughout his community. He and his wife Regina have three grown children and four grandchildren. They reside in Batavia, Ohio.

Note: Some plans are tentative; adjustments may be made. Firm agenda and signup sheets will be available for March Meeting. **(For questions, contact Terry Hale, thale@cincinnatiwoodworkingclub.org or 859-635-1329.)**