

The Cincinnati Woodworker

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The Cincinnati Woodworking Club Newsletter

The March 9, 2013 Meeting Agenda

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The Woodworking **Show**

Columbus, Ohio
March 1-3, 2013

Friday 12-6; Saturday 10-6;
Sunday 10-4

Ohio Expo Center Voinovich
Trade Center
717 East 17th Avenue
Columbus, OH 43211

See this Web site for details

[http://
www.thewoodworkingshows.
com/shows/columbus.htm](http://www.thewoodworkingshows.com/shows/columbus.htm)

The NW Group has the responsibility for this meeting. Two presentations are featured, the first by our own Club President, Keith Mealy and the second by Tom Lensch from Dayton.

Making Shaker Oval Wooden Boxes – These historic boxes are not only useful storage containers, they are decorative, and often displayed stacked in graduated sizes one on another. They make wonderful gifts. They are not without woodworking challenges. Keith taught a class on this subject in Finneytown High School Woodshop more than fifteen years ago. He will demonstrate wood bending using hot water and the whole box construction sequence. We will learn about wood selection, sources for materials, and finish.

Making Puzzles – Tom Lensch calls himself a Metagrabilogist (puzzle person). Some fellow Western Ohio Woodworkers members and great woodworkers may join him as our guests. Tom will be bringing lots of puzzles and jigs. He will show how to select and prepare the wood, how to make jigs, how to get accuracy, gluing, etc. He has designed about ten different puzzles. The main source of designs that he makes are from puzzle designers from USA, Europe and Asia. Tom is making a batch of inexpensive tray puzzles that sell in the \$15 to \$25 range, i.e., no exotic woods used and sanded with no tung oil finish. If you wish to buy any, you are welcome to do so after the talk. Feel free to ask questions during the talk.

CWC Vice President Position Open

John Branam *has to resign from the CWC VP position due to work commitments. I want to open this up to general membership for someone who's interested in taking over. The major responsibilities are to organize special events such as the annual seminar and schedule volunteers for booths at conferences such as Woodworking In America.*

Keith Mealy President CWC

Reminder!
Please pay your
membership
dues this
meeting.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Membership dues are payable each September – the beginning of our club year.

We encourage you to pay promptly and support our 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



Keith Neer
Freeform Chair

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 on the club web site. CINCINNATIWOODWORKINGCLUB.ORG

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, a "12", indicates you are paid up for the 2012 - 2013 club year.

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

CLUB CONTACTS

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



Terry Elfers
Wooden Soccer Ball

Keith Mealy, President (Overall running of the club)

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COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

Jim Schaefer Toy Project 2012

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 6. Birdhouses and step stools
7. Not as many stuffed toys

Requirements for toys:

- No finish of any kind, even though you believe it is "safe"
- Small parts must be firmly attached to resist 15 lb pulling force.
- Pull Tester will be at meeting to test wheels
- We recommend glue, and where possible, cross-fasteners such as brads.
- Removable parts on toys used by children under three must pass the cylinder test. Group leaders have these available for borrowing.
- Pull cords must be less than 12".

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

- Wheels from 1 to 2 inches
- 1/4, 3/8 and 1/2 inch dowels
- Axle pegs
- One, 1 1/4, and 1 1/2 inch balls
- Locomotive stacks
- Two inch split balls
- 1/2 x 3/4 inch various colored beads
- 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.

Thank You. We collected \$508 dollars at the tool sale/auction. Thanks for all who donated items for the sale. The money will be used to buy supplies for the toys or the beds.

MISCELLANEOUS

Donuts and Coffee

The Northwest Leaders request that the Northwest Group Members arrive a half hour early and/or stay after the meeting to help set up and put everything back the way it was before the meeting.

Donuts will be available at this meeting 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

Please note this year we are not having pizza at the March Meeting as we done the past



Lewis Stepp's
Router Boss



Show and Tell



Keith Mealy

Step-stool from Popular Woodworking's *I Can Do That* project series



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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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Cincinnati Woodworking Club Membership Application

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Date _____ New _____ Renewal _____

Home Phone: (____) _____

Work/Cell Phone: (____) _____

Mobile 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: _____

Send Application with \$15.00 for adults, \$5.00 for student to

Dick Fisher

**7422 Silver Creek Road
Cleveland, Ohio 44130**

DIRECTIONS TO THE MEETING

Date:

March 9, 2013

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 miles 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 in the back.

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.

We'll

See You

There!

2012 - 2013

Meeting Schedule

Saturday, September 8, 2012
Northeast Group owns agenda

Saturday, November 10, 2012
Central Group owns agenda*

Saturday, January 12, 2013
Southwest Group owns agenda

Saturday, March 9, 2013
Northwest Group owns agenda*

Saturday, May 12, 2013
Southeast Group owns agenda

***one time swap**

speaker availability

2012 - 2013 Woodworking Contest

Build anything that is primarily made of wood and completed between September 2012 and May 2013. It will be judged by the same criteria used in our past contests. Originality of design, (how unique is it?), Functionality of design (how well does it work?), Artistic design (is it attractive?), Finish (sanding, stain, top coat) and Expertise required to complete (complex angles, joinery, inlay etc.). Photos may be used to enter projects in cases where it is not practical to transport and display. A PowerPoint presentation will be used to display digital entry photos again this year when the contest is judged at the May 2013 meeting.

If you wish to have your digital photos included in the presentation, please send them to Keith at kmealy@cincinnatiwoodworkingclub.org, no later than May 8th. And limit your photos to 4 per entry.

As part of the Woodworking Contest, we will present our 4th annual Fred Weissborn Memorial Quality Award. It will go to the woodworker whose Contest entry is voted by members to best reflect the craftsmanship demonstrated by Fred during his long tenure as a member. The selection criteria will follow the principle that "craftsmanship" is in the eye of the beholder. Each voting member will determine the superior craftsmanship as he or she sees it and pick the best entry. This award is a traveling trophy with the winner's name and project inscribed on it.

We congratulate Russ Merz the winner of this prestigious award in May 2012. As a reminder The Steering Team has decided that a member may only win this award one time.

A winner is ineligible to compete for this award in any future contest. However, a winner remains eligible to compete for any other contest awards.

Woodworking 101

Got a question? We'll get you answers

There will be a table set up at the meeting with three of our members available to answer your woodworking questions. Ask any of the three Answering Team Members between 8:30 & 9:00 am. An ATM place card on a table will identify you're at the right place to ask or if you prefer, for the March 9th meeting, email questions in advance to George Murphy at:

Murphyhg@fuse.net

ABOUT TOM LENSCH

(Our Speaker for this meeting)

from Website <http://www.tomlensch.com/>

I started collecting puzzles when I was nine years old and by 1990 I had a very modest collection. In 1989 I bought the Slocum/Botermans Puzzles Old and New (and how to make them). The book inspired me enough to give it a try. In addition I could add to my collection if I was successful. I made a variety of Burrs and Packing puzzles during the next three years and sold them at our local Artistry in Wood show.

I met two other collectors during the 1990-1993 time frame and through them I met a large group of puzzle designers, craftsmen and collectors in 1993 when I was invited to the first Gathering for (Martin) Gardner in Atlanta. Most of these collectors were involved with the International Puzzle Group who met once a year at an International Puzzle Party (IPP). There I met Bill Cutler and he asked me if I would be interested in making and selling a few of his designs. We have collaborated ever since.

I went to my first IPP in 1994 held in Seattle Washington. I met Oskar van Deventer and he gave me permission to make several of his designs. I acquired Stewart Coffin's Puzzlecraft (book) and started producing his designs too.

At later IPPs I met Frans de Vreugd and Dic Sonneveld. Again I was fortunate to be able to make and sell both of these designers puzzles.

During the period from 1994 to the present I have designed around seven puzzles of my own, most of which have been used as exchange puzzles at the International Puzzle Parties. I will reproduce a few of them for this web site.

I was a Civil Engineer for the Dayton Power and Light Co. for 39 years and I am now retired, making puzzles on an (almost) full time basis. I still live in Dayton, Ohio.