

# WOODWORDS ON THE BRANDYWINE

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## **October 20, 2004 Meeting Highlights:**

Thanks to Dick Merrill for his "show and tell" presentation of two shop made jigs – an adjustable mitre shooting board, and a drill press table with moveable fence, hold-downs and microadjustable stop block. Thanks also to Guest Bill Raker, a turner who showed us examples of his turned bowls, built up with segmented rings.

Dave Sokolowski briefly reported on antique "Woody" station wagons and other "Woody" cars. Most of the meeting was oriented toward tree ornaments and other holiday decorations, with demonstrations on turning tree ornaments by Bill Roberts, Roger Earley and Tim Sabo and scrollwork demonstrations by Joe Tomeo and Rich Dell.

Chuck Skelley won the October raffle prize, a \$50.00 Woodcraft gift certificate. Our thanks to the Woodcraft home office for donating this prize, and to Rich Libera for soliciting the gift. Thanks also to Woodcraft and Manager Mike Okner for hosting the meeting at the new Woodcraft store, on the Northbound side of Route 13 below Hare's Corner.

## **November, 2004 Meeting Agenda:**

This meeting will be oriented toward tree ornaments and other holiday decorations, including the tree ornaments members are making for the Delaware Hospice Festival.

As always, please bring "show and tell" items. Those who do will receive two FREE raffle tickets. This month's raffle prize will be a drill doctor.

## **Note about dues:**

The Dues for calendar 2005 are \$35.00, or \$40.00 for a family membership. Dues are payable before 12/31/04, preferably by check (that minimizes errors). If possible please pay early, at the November meeting, as many members do. This promptness simplifies Board planning and the work of the Treasurer.

## **In Memoriam:**

Gertrude Dunn died September 30 when the single engine plane she was piloting lost power and crashed, while taking off from New Garden Airport. Gertie lived a full life; she was well liked and will be widely missed. Among other things she was a noted athlete, a talented woodworker and a long time member of the Guild. Our condolences to her family and friends.

## **Benefactors of the Guild:**

Several merchants, suppliers and restaurants have been generous in supporting the Guild; please keep these friends in mind when you make purchases: Woodcraft, Highland Hardware, Lee Valley and Veritas, Café Gelato, Fair Hill Inn, Eagle Diner, Giordano's of Kennet Square and The Learning Station.

## **Fashion Opportunity:**

Your Guild offers truly cool hats and T-shirts, at thrifty prices. These are available at Guild meetings; see Don Ransom.

## **Tools for Sale:**

Tony Albano offers a solid maple work bench, 30"w x 74" long with two end vises and tool tray, for \$500. Tony also has a small shaper with many cutters for \$150. Call 610-268-3833 or see Tony at the meeting.

## **News Item:**

Black & Decker has reportedly bought Delta and Porter-Cable. Some members are less than impressed by Black & Decker's past performance, and wonder what this will mean for the quality of Delta and Porter-Cable products.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Balance forward at 9/25/04	1363.74
Picnic Expenses	352.50-
Newsletter for October	109.87-
Raffle Income at October Meeting	65.00+
Raffle Prize for November Meeting	121.49-
Dues Income	210.00+
Ending Balance at 10/27/04	1129.88

By: Richard Libera, Treasurer

## **2004-05 Meeting Schedule:**

**Dates:** Guild meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month of the school year, September through May. This year's remaining dates are: November 17, December 15, January 19, February 16, March 16. April 20 and May 18.

**Place & Time:** We normally meet in the Carpenter Shop at Hodgson Vo-Tech High School in Glasgow, DE from 7:00 pm to about 9:00 pm. The shop is open to us around 6:20 pm. The school entrance is on old 896 (Glasgow Avenue) south of Rte. 40, and the shop is in the rear by the dust collection system. Park in the side lot near the shop; violators of parking rules may be towed. Whenever the school is closed due to weather, that evening's meeting is cancelled.

**Board Meetings:** The Board of the Guild ordinarily meets one week after Guild meetings, on the following Wednesday evening. Other Guild members who care to attend are welcome. The next Board meeting will be held at Hodgson immediately after the November 17 Guild meeting.

## **Membership List as of October 21, 2004:**

**Membership List (continued):**

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