

## September 20, 2006 Meeting Agenda:

This year's program starts with something special. Our guest will be Doug Mooberry of Kinloch Woodworking Ltd., a longstanding friend of the Guild who builds high quality furniture in eighteenth century style. Doug is nationally prominent; he has written many published articles on fine cabinetmaking, and examples of his exceptional craftsmanship and artistry can be seen at [www.kinlochwoodworking.com](http://www.kinlochwoodworking.com). Most recently, members will recall his impressive presentation at our September, 2004 meeting. This year Doug plans to present two of his latest projects -- a Seymour desk (a federal style fall front desk) and a Chester County inlaid chest -- and to share with us techniques that he used to build them.

Kinloch holds an annual open house, which is well worth attending. This year's dates (not yet on the website) are Friday, November 10 (5:00-8:00 pm) and Saturday, November 11 (10:00 am – 5:00 pm).

This month's raffle prize will be a four-piece Starrett combination square. As always please bring "show and tell" items; those who do will receive two FREE raffle tickets.

**Bring a flashlight.** The parking area and shop exterior may be unlighted, because Hodgson no longer offers evening classes on Wednesdays.

## Annual Picnic:

The picnic will be held Saturday, October 7 from 10:30 to 1:00 at the picnic area of DuPont's Chestnut Run Plaza (off the southbound side of Rte. 48, just south of its intersection with Rte. 141). There will be fun, fellowship, food and raffle prizes for members, guests and children. This is a rain or shine event, well sheltered by a large roofed pavilion. So bring out the whole family, including children and grandchildren, and friends too, for a good time. Special thanks to John Baker, who arranged for our use of the site.

**Please bring a side dish, such as a salad or desert.** As in years past, Val DiEmedio and his brother Dominick will be cooking the burgers, hot dogs, etc. We need other volunteers to help at the picnic. At the September meeting there will be two sign-up sheets for the picnic. One is simply to let us know how many will attend, while the other will tell us what dishes folks plan to bring and which members volunteer to help in other ways. **Please sign up on both lists at the September meeting, so we can plan the number of prizes, the amount of food and other important details.**

## **May 17 and June 14, 2006 Meeting Highlights:**

At the May 17 meeting the Guild elected to its 2006-07 Board the officers and committees listed on the outside page of this newsletter (other than the Membership Chairman and Webmaster, who were appointed later).

The centerpiece of the May meeting was Tim Sabo's excellent presentation on making and turning segmented bowls. After describing and demonstrating some useful features of his lathe, Tim explained the process of designing, cutting and gluing the segments, and distributed a computer-generated drawing showing the dimensions and geometry for a four layer, twelve segment bowl (See p. 5). Then, using bowl blanks he had made from a neighbor's willow tree Tim demonstrated various turning techniques, including French polishing done on the lathe – before our eyes he took a willow bowl from a comparatively plain and modest look to a luxuriant lustre, making it all look easy. Special thanks to Tim Sabo for sharing his impressive craftsmanship.

At show and tell Bill Wuhrman presented an end table made of locally grown black locust, featuring loose tenon joints and eight coats of wipe-on polyurethane. Rich Dell presented a handsome pair of oak end tables that he built using oak floorboards salvaged from the attic of a flooded house. Ron Haase presented an interesting group of turned vases. One was done in black ash, and another has eight segments in walnut and maple. Jeremy Noblitt presented samples of the railings he can generate by means of a CNC system, and Judy Hodgson presented a corner ottoman of walnut, with red oak slats and a polyurethane finish. Our thanks to them all.

Bob Darnell won the raffle prize for May -- a Craftsman 12 volt drill-driver with a case and two batteries.

The May meeting also included the special raffle of Jim Stevens' hand crafted Windsor chair – the one we watched Jim build. Congratulations to the winner -- Jean Batulis, formerly Noblitt. Speaking of which, congratulations and best wishes to Jean and her husband, who married May 13. Jean is on a roll.

At a special meeting June 14, DeWalt product development representatives brought in new DeWalt products that are still in development, for Guild members to use and comment on. We can't tell you about them because all who attended had to sign non-disclosure agreements. Afterwards, by way of reward, the DeWalt folks distributed various new tools by lot. Ronald Haase won the grand prize -- a three base heavy duty 2.75 hp router kit. Bob Darnell won a Model 4210 Porter-Cable dovetail jig, Mike Okner won a DeWalt Plate Joiner kit and Harry Welsher won a DeWalt orbital sander. Six other members won new saw blades. Special thanks to Richard Libera, for arranging this meeting with DeWalt and with the Hodgson school staff.

At the same meeting Vince Passalacqua presented a large and attractive white rocking horse. Built mainly of poplar, it has a carved saddle, leather bridle and laminated rockers.

## **Membership and Webmaster Posts Created:**

The Board hopes to rebuild membership to above 100 (we currently have 70 dues-paying and six honorary members). To that end, at its August 16 meeting the Board appointed Pell Sherman Membership Chairman. Many thanks to Pell for taking on this project. Please help him, and share with him your thoughts on recruiting and retaining members. Please invite woodworking friends and acquaintances to Guild meetings, and encourage them to join. For instance, this month's meeting with Doug Moobery is an opportunity to showcase the high quality of our Guild meetings.

Special thanks also to Bill Wuhrman, who volunteered at the same meeting to create a website for the Guild. After discussion the Board agreed and appointed him Webmaster.

## **About Dues:**

Dues are \$35.00 per calendar year (\$40.00 for family membership) and the dues for calendar 2007 are to be paid before December 31, 2006. By custom most members pay at the September or October meeting. This promptness is much appreciated; it helps in planning and eases the work of the Treasurer. Payment by check is preferred.

## **Buying Opportunities:**

John Smock (302-239-9111) offers a late model Craftsman 15" floor model drill press for \$175. He also has available a modest supply of Australian lacewood.

## **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, Lee Valley and Veritas, Lie-Nielsen Toolworks, Bell's Supply Co. Inc., Café Gelato, Fair Hill Inn, Eagle Diner, Giordano's of Kennett Square and Hearne Hardwoods of Oxford, PA.

## **In Memoriam:**

Our condolences to the family and friends of Honorary member Harold Karman, who died in July. Hal was a fine woodworker and teacher, and was one of the founding members of our Guild. Condolences also to Guild member Donald Eck, whose wife Ruth Johnson Eck passed away in June.

## Treasurer's Report:

Balance forward at 5/2/2006	2662.29
Chair raffle proceeds	120.00+
May meeting raffle proceeds	38.00+
Prizes for picnic & meeting raffles	84.48-
Given in Memory of Ruth Eck	25.00-
Stamps & postcards	15.00-
September raffle prize, etc.	173.50-
Given in Memory of Harold Karman	..35.00-
May Newsletter & June postcard mailing	167.62-
Raffle prizes & postage	52.68-
Rental to Hodgson School	30.00-
Insurance	161.00-
Ending balance at 8/29/2006	2076.01

Note: \$700.00 of the above balance is chair raffle proceeds that the Guild intends to donate to the Delaware Leukemia and Lymphoma Society as announced.

By: Richard Libera, Treasurer

## 2006–07 Meeting Schedule:

**Dates:** Guild meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month of the school year, September through May. This year's dates are: September 20, October 18, November 15, December 20, January 17, February 21, March 21, April 18 and May 16. The Guild often has a June meeting, and normally does not meet in July and August.

**Place & Time:** During the school year we normally meet in the carpenter shop at Hodgson Vo-Tech High School in Glasgow, DE; June meetings are normally elsewhere. At Hodgson we meet from 7:00 pm to about 9:00 pm. Some arrive earlier, which is fine -- the shop is open to us around 6:00 pm.

The school entrance is on **business** 896 (Glasgow Avenue, old 896) 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.** Also, **bring a flashlight** because the parking lot and shop entrance may be unlighted. If the school is closed due to weather, that evening's meeting is cancelled. Local radio stations broadcast closings and WDEL also reports them online at [www.wdel.com](http://www.wdel.com), News Center, SnoWatch.

**Board Meetings:** The Board often meets at Hodgson immediately after Guild meetings. It sometimes meets at the homes of officers, normally on the Wednesday evening one week after a Guild meeting. Board Meetings are open to all Guild members.

## Tim Sabo's Drawing for a Segmented Bowl

Woodwords on the Brandywine  
January, 2006

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