



# Greenville Woodworkers Guild

Giving Through Fellowship

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*Lin Dearing will make presentation on mitered box making.*



Lin Dearing has been interested in woodworking and making things since childhood, but he began woodworking in earnest while on active duty in the Air Force with access to the base woodworking shop. He joined the Greenville Woodworkers Guild in 1982, and was active until organizing the Pendleton District Woodworkers. He re-joined the GWG about three years ago. He likes to make antique reproductions, but enjoys all aspects and types of woodworking. Lin is a professor of mathematics at Clemson, where he has taught and worked for 34 years.

The small mitered boxes shown above are inspired by antique English tea caddies, used originally for storing tea. As a woodworking project, their design allows a wide range of choices in terms of use, wood, size, proportions, configuration, decorative details and finish. His presentation will discuss all these aspects of making the boxes, and show how to construct them using a table-saw cut-off sled to make mitered joints.

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## *The President's Corner*



*Wayne Comstock*

Our community is full of worthy charitable groups. And the Greenville Woodworkers Guild is involved in projects for quite a few of them.

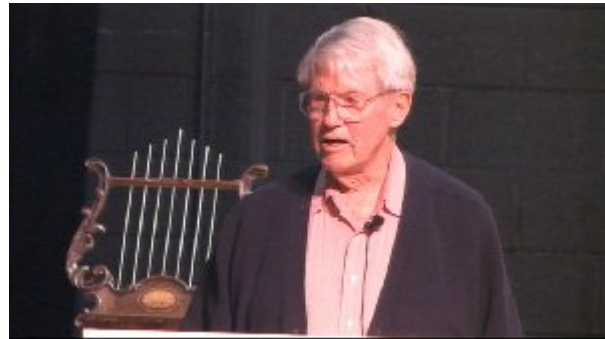
Presently there are projects underway making some new table tops for the Center for Developmental Services, three display towers for Trillium Arts, the Travelers Rest artist association and bookcases for the USC Upstate Children's Library at McAllister Square.

Down the road are some Lemonade Stands for Christ Church Lower School. And the requests keep coming in. In April the Guild will build all the cabinets for a Habitat for Humanity home to be completed in May. When the word is sent out for volunteers, get involved. You'll learn and in the end be gratified that you helped a cause.

Mark your calendars for the April 4<sup>th</sup> Scott Phillips Seminar at Centre Stage. This one is for everyone; beginner to expert! Guild members get special pricing through the March meeting, so get your seat reserved soon.

*Wayne*

## *John McAlister's presentation on period furniture was very entertaining*



John spoke of his early interest in period furniture making in the late 60's and the difficulty in obtaining information on furniture making. Plans for furniture were particularly hard to obtain. As a result, would use ads in magazines to provide ideas for plans. He also would visit institutions such as the Craft House at Williamsburg, VA where he would take photos and measurements of the period furniture on display and use the information to draw up his own plans for furniture.

John had a slide presentation which showed many examples of his work. The photo below shows two examples of his fine work. In 2001, John was awarded the Cartouche Award, shown below, for "outstanding achievement" by the Society of American Period Furniture Makers.



### **Upcoming Events!!**

**March** – Gregg Thompson from Sherwin-Williams will make presentation on products for wood finishing and demonstrate glazing and faux painting.

**April** – Brian Boggs, from Brian Boggs Studio in Asheville, NC will talk about his work as a chair maker.

## Superintendent's Report



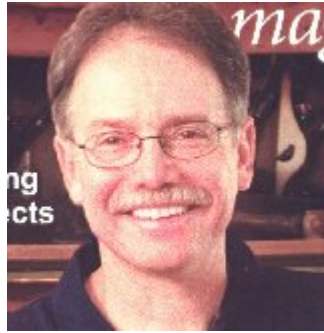
**David Aman**

I trust that everyone is off to a great New Year, and have lots of fantastic projects to work on during the rest of the year. If you are like me, you usually wait until the very day that you need a project to begin work on it. Let's resolve to get an earlier start this year. Begin now to plan and make your projects for "Art in the Park", birthday presents, Christmas gifts, and other occasions where your handmade items will become family heirlooms.

A large number of our members have never had the opportunity to work with a wide variety of wood species. Most of us have been limited to poplar, oak, walnut and a few other domestic woods, due primarily to availability and cost. The Education Center is attempting to provide our members a wider variety of woods, at affordable prices, which already include taxes and transportation cost. Our first shipment went extremely fast, so hurry on down to the shop when the notice goes out.

Some private purchases of cherry, oak and mahogany also offer great opportunities for your projects. Come use your shop, and please, BE SAFE!

## Scott Phillips to present at 2009 Master Series



The 2009 Master Series presentation will be held at Centre Stage on April 4, 2009 from 9 AM to 4 PM.

Scott will spend the morning featuring band saw tips and techniques. He will make and give away a band saw puzzle box, an eight piece compound puzzle and a jewelry box all made during the morning show. During the lunch break he will sign plans that he will give away. The afternoon will be shop tool tricks which he says is the most popular part showing finishing, glue solutions, sharpening with diamond stones, cutting router dovetails and power mortising tips.

Tickets are \$40 for preferred seating and \$30 for general admission until March 2 when the tickets will be available to the general public. Tickets will then be \$60 for preferred seating and \$40 for general admission. A reception will be held at Bobby Hartness's the evening before - \$100.

Should be a good show and we're hoping for a big crowd.

## Greenville Woodworkers Guild History

The Guild was founded in 1981 by five avid woodworkers. The first newsletter was published in 1983 on a quarterly basis, then monthly beginning October 1984. The following are some notes from those newsletters.

### *GWG - February 1989 - 20 years ago*

Bill Sutton - President

- The Greenville Museum of Art will have a Saturday workshop on March 11 concerning furniture design and technique, instructed by Guild member Mike McDunn.

### *GWG - February 1994 - 15 years ago*

Andy Walker - President

- The Meyers Center requested a target for a bean bag game. The target was designed by George Roberts and built by Bob Thomson.

### *GWG - February 1999 - 10 years ago*

Steve Kern - President

- Sid Hayes gave a very informative and entertaining presentation on Windsor chair making.

### *GWG - February 2004 - 5 years ago*

Karl Kelly - President

- Myndert Papenhauzyzen reports that seven guild members helped install shop fixtures at the Safe Harbor Store.

### *Welcome New Members!*

**Ronald Link - Simpsonville**

**Matt Putnam - Greenville**

**Burgess Metcalf - Greenville**

**David Price - Greenville**

**Robert Tepper - Simpsonville**

**Jody Foister - Travelers Rest**

**Mason Goldsmith - Greenville**

**Al Socha - Mauldin**

**Allen McWhite - Taylors**

**Jonathan McWhite - Taylors**

**Chris Peters - Clemson**

**Sissy Brunson - Greenville**

**Scott Woods - Greenville**

**Teresa Cooper - Greer**

## Richard Mackintosh recognized by the Living History Farm at the Roper Mountain Science Center



Almost three years ago, the Living History Farm at the Roper Mountain Science Center made a request to the Greenville Woodworkers Guild for a volunteer to demonstrate and promote woodworking. Richard Mackintosh stepped forward. At the January Guild meeting Richard Mackintosh was recognized by Michael Weeks, Curator, Living History Farm, Roper Mountain Science Center. His remarks reflected what he wrote in the following letter to the Greenville Woodworkers Guild prior to the January meeting:

*Dear Greenville Woodworkers Guild,*

*On behalf of Roper Mountain Science Center's Living History Farm, I would like to thank you for your continued support of woodworking at our Second Saturday public programs. In particular, Richard Mackintosh deserves a giant round of applause for his overwhelming enthusiasm, encouragement, and commitment to the Living History Farm. Every month, Mr. Mackintosh is a fixture at Second Saturday. He has transformed an almost nonexistent woodworking program into one of the featured areas on the Farm.*

*Some of our visitors come back month after month just because of Richard. He has taken his knowledge and love of woodworking and shared it with literally thousands of visitors, and I regularly receive positive comments from guests about our woodworking area.*

*Furthermore, he has cultivated a core group of woodworking volunteers on the farm. The majority of this group are Jr. Volunteers (teenagers), whom are excited about woodworking thanks to Richard's passion and nurturing. He is continually positive, supportive, and generous to these Jr. Volunteers and has ignited a passion for woodworking in them.*

*I believe that Mr. Mackintosh is not only incredibly valuable to the Roper Mountain Living History Farm, our volunteers, and visitors, but also to the Greenville Woodworkers Guild (which he always has brochures and kind words for) and woodworking at large.*

*I know that your annual dinner is approaching in December. I would highly recommend Richard to receive some accolades and recognition for all that he is doing for woodworking in Greenville.*

*Regards,*

*Michael P. Weeks  
Curator, Living History Farm  
Roper Mountain Science Center*

Richard Macintosh's giving of his time and talents at the Roper Mountain Science Center epitomizes the Guild's motto "Giving Through Fellowship". Many thanks to Richard for representing the Greenville Woodworkers Guild so well!



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**NEXT GUILD MEETING:**

**Monday, February 2, 2009**

**New Member Orientation starts at 6:00 PM**

**General Meeting starts at 6:45 PM**

**J Harley Bonds Career Center**

**505 N. Main Street, Greer, SC 29650**

**Guild Information**

**Guild Telephone No.: (864) 241-3849**

This phone is located at our Educational Center workshop located at 701 Poinsett Highway. If no one is there you can leave a voice mail message.

**Website:** [www.greenvillewoodworkers.com](http://www.greenvillewoodworkers.com)

Contains information about the Guild, Educational Center schedule, links to other woodworking related websites and a capability to submit suggestions and e-mail to the Guild.

The Guild web manager is Bill Brett. Contact Bill with ideas and suggestions for the website at [bill.brett@charter.net](mailto:bill.brett@charter.net)

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