

ShopTalk

Greenville Woodworkers Guild



December 2019

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Check-in will be at 5:30 PM with dinner starting at 6:00 PM. A wonderful dinner catered by the Olive Garden will consist of salad and breadsticks and your choice of Lasagna, Chicken Parmesan, Baked Ziti or Pasta with sauce and dessert. Drink choices will be Lemonade, Tea, Coffee and Water, all for just \$18 per person. No need to bring a dish or dessert to share, we will provide it all.

A special musical treat by the
Trio Scotch and Soda
...with a Twist is planned for
entertainment after dinner.

As in past years, we would like you to bring a gift to share.
We love to see your work and creativity. If you are unable to bring a gift to share,
please come and join us anyway and share in the event.

You can register and pay by visiting the Guild Website at GWG Website. As in the past,
we will use electronic check-in when you arrive so no tickets will be mailed. You will
receive a confirmation email to let you know your registration was completed.

Registration cutoff is Wednesday, November 27th.

We're hoping this will be our best
Christmas Dinner yet.
We look forward to seeing you there.

Regards,
Christmas Dinner Team

If you have problems registering, please call David Dewease
at 864-293-2573 between 8:00 AM and 9:00 PM.

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T H E P R E S I D E N T S C O R N E R

Thanksgiving arrives in just a few days and it's time to reflect on all we are thankful for – our family and friends, our health and our faith. I am thankful not only for these but also for this Guild. I look back over the past year and see all the wonderful things our members have done. Not only working on their own personal projects but in their generosity in giving of their time and talents for other projects, they have touched many lives. They have worked on charitable projects, gave financially to keep the Guild updated and responded when there was a special project at the shop. The Toy Program is a perfect example. This year on average 25 members worked from April to the beginning of November making toys. About 1000 high quality toys were built and distributed. A job well done by all and thanks again to everyone! Other on-going projects are the Beads of Courage bowls and lidded boxes and the Urns for Veterans. Monday evening, December 2, 2019 is our Annual Christmas Dinner. Time is running out to register. We encourage everyone who can to attend. As we have done in past years, we ask everyone attending to bring a gift to share in the Gift Exchange at the end of the evening. However, we added a twist this year. If you are unable to bring a gift to exchange, signup and come anyway. We want you to join us for a wonderful evening.

We had an antique wooden rocking horse donated to the Guild at our December meeting. It is in need of restoration but a wonderful piece. It was suggested that we have a silent auction at the Christmas Dinner to find this horse a home. Starting bid is \$150. The horse will be displayed in our lobby. The proceeds from the auction benefit the Toy Program

Christmas is a time for giving so sign up to participate in a charitable project!! As always, be considerate of your fellow members and work safe. Merry Christmas

Around The Shop

I would like to thank everyone who helped with the Shop Cleanup on Saturday, November 16th. We had a fantastic turnout and the shop and grounds really look nice. Thanks again.

Things just happen!! Please check to see if some Guild items accidentally made their way in your tool box or work bag, etc. I know it has happened to me that something inadvertently got mixed up with my stuff. If you find something that isn't yours, please return it to the shop – we need it.

Vacuums are provided to clean up after you work on you project. Pleases use them. Be safe and enjoy the shop.

- Rob

Antique Rocking Horse auction to benefit next years Toy Program.

Opening Bid \$150

The Silent auction will be at the Christmas Dinner to find this horse a home.

The horse will be displayed in our lobby.



Tool Sale Results

Our fall tool sale event was held on October 26 and continued until closed on November 20. On sale day we collected \$17,000, then added after that date \$6,300 from member and internet sales for a total of \$23,300. Of that amount \$20,700 were commission sales and \$2,600 was from donated sales. Commissions paid were \$15,500 for a net to the Guild of \$7,800.

A significant number of items were unsold. One hundred items were given to Habitat for Humanity, sixteen were placed on the table in the shop, and seven unsold internet items were retained for future sales. 27 people provided almost 600 items, not counting the dollar tables.

This sale was a lot of hard work by a lot of members, too numerous to mention. The revenue is helpful but we should always be reminded of the reason we do this, to help our members and their beneficiaries.

- Aubrey Rogers

Important Financial Information

This month, William Fuller, your Treasurer electronically filed our annual tax return, IRS Form 990. This 25 page document is a requirement to ensure the public that the Guild is following IRS and State rules for exempt corporations. You can view it on our web page.

Our entire revenue goes to support our mission of education, charity and promotion of woodworking as an art. We have no employees, so our costs are only direct cost to support our operations.

Revenue, net of direct expenses, amounted to \$272,000. It is important to note that membership and initiation fees only covers fifty percent of our revenue. While other programs are not profit motivated, without that income our dues would have to double to fund our vision.

The other revenues are as follows. Lumber sales has a nominal built in margin and this together with a lot of donated wood allows the Guild to make a profit while providing members with

high quality wood at lower prices, right in the shop. Mentoring revenue partially covers the cost of all instruction, charitable income partially covers the cost of our charity activities and event income about one half of the cost. Auctions were implemented to help our members and their beneficiaries dispose of unwanted tools. With a small commission and a significant number of donated tools we make a surplus on this activity. Interest, storage rental income, pop sales, the money you put in the box to cover supplies all contribute to the bottom line. The last item is donations. Beads of courage, urns program, memorials, and direct contributions from members and friends of the Guild round out the total.

The one thing that stands out is most of our revenue comes from our members. It has always been that way. Through good fiscal planning, we provide services at a bargain and members respond by supporting these activities with their time and money.

Giving Through Fellowship.

Birdhouse Contest



Judging will be at the February guild meeting
Open to adults and youth (youth= under 18)

Free to enter contest

Prizes will be given in 3 categories:

- Traditional
- Whimsical/Decorative
- “green”, meaning using recycled wood/items.

You may enter only one birdhouse in each category

Birdhouse must be 75% made of wood

No kits allowed

- Rosie Gaddy

Greenville Woodworkers Guild Monthly Programs

December

GWG Christmas party.

January

Valerie Berlage

(google Lauraine Lillie Studios).

February

David Finck (google David Finck Violins)

David will be doing a seminar as well.

March

John Leake from York, SC

(google John Leake Furniture Maker)

April

Brian Brace, who builds Royscraft furniture in Asheville (google Brian Brace Furniture).

May

David Ellsworth an internationally known woodturner (google David Ellsworth Woodturner).

June

GWG Sawmill Picnic.

G W G A C T I V I T Y R E P O R T

CHARITABLE PROJECTS / October 1 to October 31 , 2019

	Hours
Beads of Courage.....	3
SC Veterans Urns	5
Toy Workshop.....	354
NICU Mold Boxes.....	38
Childrens Theatre (Phase 1)	176.5
Cancer Survivor Park Alliance- (Benches)	18
Other Charitable Projects.....	86.5
Total.....	681

MENTORING CLASSES /October 1 to October 31 , 2019

	Hours
Combined total hours for adult classes.....	936
Youth Classes	190
Total.....	1,126



Toy Puzzles by
Michele Grandonico

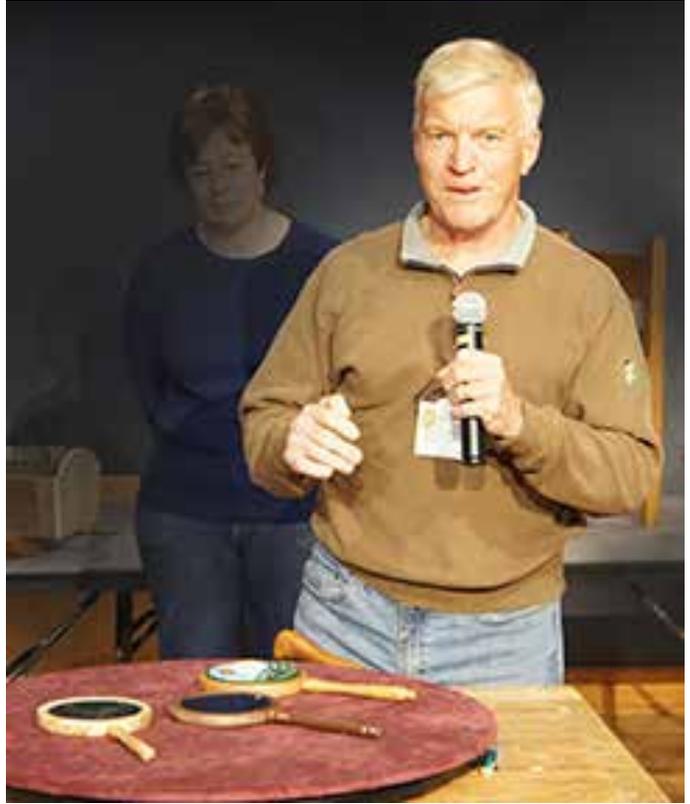
Cradle by
Charlie Kindig



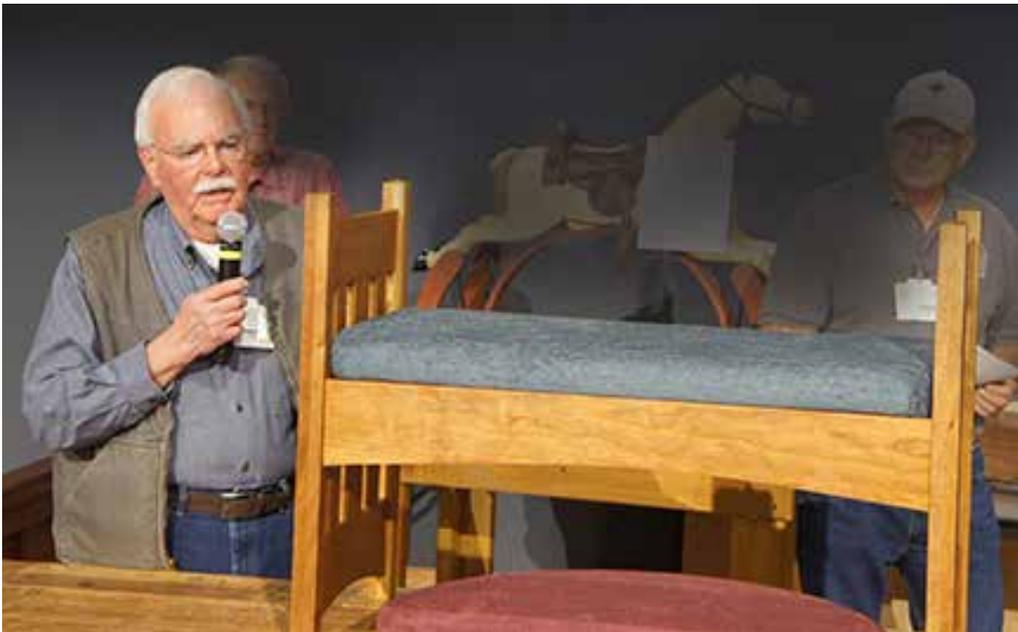
Burled Slab by
Chuck Pressley



Rocking Chair
Don Clark

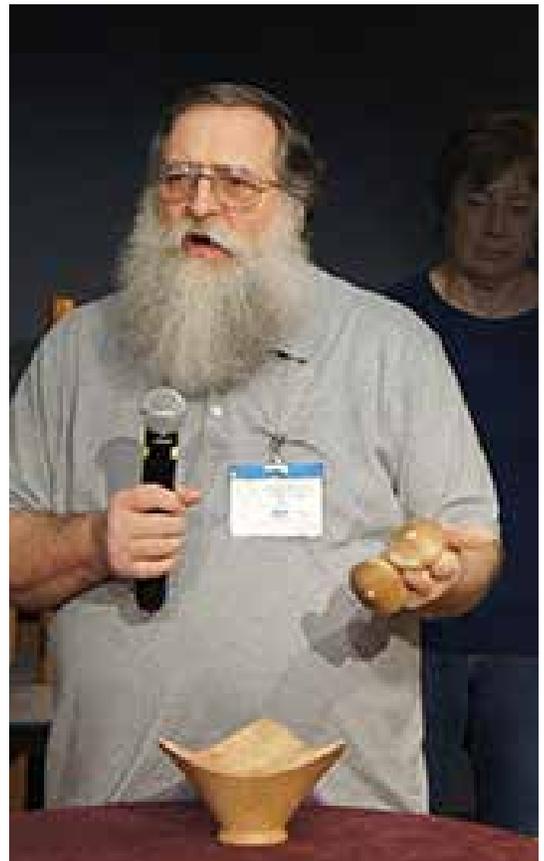


Mirrors by
John Stiehler



Bench by
Russ Clark

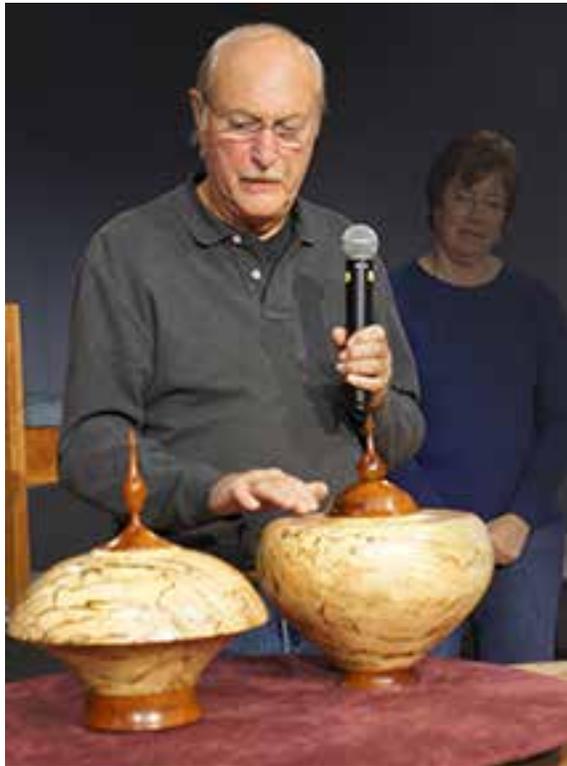
Hallway Table by
Karen Sheldon



Thomas Newton
Turnings



Jewelry Boxes by
John Arnold



Lidded Bowls by
Jim Sinclair



Bed by
Robert Tepper

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