

Newsletter

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Meeting Review: June 2009

Tom Sharp, president, welcomed members and guests to the meeting, including a convoy of fellow woodworkers from the **Northwest Indiana Woodworkers Association (NIWA)** in Lake County, Indiana.

NIWA's Webmaster **Bob Roach and friends** made the trip just to share the evening with us and invite all of us to stop by one of their meetings some time soon. We look forward to getting to know them better and sharing more woodworking events!

Bob Wills, and his equally talented wife **Karen**, teamed up to bring us "Intarsia: A Picture in Wood". It was another wonderful evening of education and entertainment for all.

A few of their basic tips were:

1. Always make straight (perpendicular) cuts with your scroll saw....*Never make bevel cuts!*
2. Remember to layout projects with the direction of the wood grain in mind...*It makes a huge difference in the end product!*
3. When attaching the pattern, always spray the glue on the paper...*Never spray glue directly on the wood!*



The Wills, a joy to have as our guests, always leave us wanting more of their tales and tips.

Hope to see all of you in July!

July General Meeting

Our Guest Speaker for July will be **Bill Gullberg, The Chairwright**, from the **Windsor Chairmaking Academy** in Kirkwood, IL west of Galesburg near the Iowa border.

Check out the classes he offers at:

<http://www.chairwright.com>



FVWWC Events Calendar

July 7th.... Tue6:00 p.m....FVWWC Shopsmith SIG Meets
 July 7th.... Tue6:30 p.m....FVWWC Hand Tool SIG Meets
 July 7th.... Tue7:30 p.m....FVWWC General Meeting:
 "The Chairwright", Bill Gullberg
 of the Windsor Academy of
 Chairmaking, guest speaker.
 July 15th..Wed....9:00 a.m....FVWWC's Breakfast Club: Red
 Apple Restaurant, 414 S Schmale
 Rd, Carol Stream - *You're Invited*
 - *Just ask for us by name!!!*
 July 25th...Sat.....9:00 a.m....DuPage Woodworkers Annual
 Auction - Registration begins at
 8:00 a.m. - *See pg. 3 for details!*
 Aug 4th Tue6:00 p.m....FVWWC Shopsmith SIG Meets
 Aug 4th Tue6:30 p.m....FVWWC Hand Tool SIG Meets
 Aug 4th Tue7:30 p.m....FVWWC General Meeting: *TBA*
 Aug 14-16 *Details on pg 6*....WIA Conference: St. Charles, IL
 Sep 1st..... Tue7:30 p.m....FVWWC General Meeting: Glenn
 Doering, DeWalt/Porter Cable/Delta
 Sep 27th .. Sun9:00 a.m....Valley Carvers Expo
 Woodcarving Show - Starved
 Rock State Park Lodge, Utica, IL
 Sep 28th .. Tue DailyGOW 2009 - Sandwich Fair Grds
 Oct 6th Tue7:30 p.m....FVWWC General Meeting:
 FVWWC Member Doug Olson &
 Friends doing Virtual Tours.
 Nov 3rd Tue7:30 p.m....FVWWC General Meeting: *TBA*
 Dec 1st Tue7:30 p.m....FVWWC General Meeting:
 Christmas Party/Toy Drive

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FVWWC MONTHLY DRAWING

June's Regular Monthly Drawing Winners:

Marple Chisels Jim Donovan

Super Grip Gloves..... Doug Pfaff

..... Mike Kelly

..... Joe O'Malley

In July we will have the Regular Raffle plus a Special Raffle for a **\$375 Full Conference pass for the upcoming WIA event!!!** See page 5 for details!

Remember, the more tickets we sell, the more items we give away so be sure to get your tickets to be part of the action!!!

REMEMBER: These are "Member's ONLY" features to give our members more chances to win!

Charlie Christensen - FVWWC Raffle Chairman

FVWWC's Shopsmith SIG

Next Meeting: July 7th, 2009

The **Shopsmith Special Interest Group (SIG)** meets from **6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.** each month, just prior to the **FVWWC General meeting** in the **Adult Lounge**, upstairs off the **Bethany Lutheran Church** vestibule. An elevator is also available.

Share your Shopsmith experience with us and find out what the rest of us have been up to with our machines!

Come join us for some wide-ranging discussions on everything Shopsmith.

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FVWWC's Hand Tool SIG

Next Meeting: July 7th, 2009

The **Hand Tool SIG** meets at **6:30**, before the regular meeting at **Bethany Lutheran**.

Anyone interested in the use of hand tools is welcome to join us for discussion of this fascinating area of woodworking. We will learn by sharing the experiences of using and caring for traditional hand tools.

FVWWC members and guests are invited to stop by and join our group.

Hope to see you in there!

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Hand Tool SIG Workshop Report by Mike Brady

The Hand Tool SIG met for the first workshop session of the year at a new venue: Windsor Park in Carol Stream. This large shop easily accommodated the 10 or so club members and a few residents of the retirement community, who were interested in what these strangers were doing in their shop. Before long, good conversations were being had by all.

Most of us at the workshop have a new found appreciation for a 3M product called a de-burring wheel. Here is where you can find them at a good price: <http://www.golfworks.com>

We also got a good introduction to **Evaporust** and its highly effective and non-toxic powers.

One thing we learned after the meeting was that Auto Zone has discontinued the brand of engine paint favored by many restorers. I'm sure that Dupli-Color paint can be found elsewhere, but there are some of superior products that you can get from internet sources: <http://www.seymourpaint.com>

...and an authentic japanning finish like the original: <http://www.libertyonthehudson.com>

This finish is tricky to use and takes a month to dry. I would recommend it only for items that warrant the effort and expense required. A re-japanned tool is probably worth less as a collectible than one with original finish intact. *Keep that in mind if you have a rare tool.*

When we left at noon, everyone had who brought tools (*except Howard, who had trouble finding us*) left with hand tools that functioned much better and certainly will be able to have a new life in their owners shops. Howard was nice enough to help Mary get a nice edge on her garage sale find hand plane. Two hand planes, a spoke shave, a ShopSmith drill chuck and a vintage socket chisel all were given "the treatment" during the session. More importantly, the owners of these tools have a new understanding of the design and uses of their tools. A few of us were able to stay after and have lunch at Carol's Garden Restaurant.

Our thanks go to the nice people of Windsor Park for sharing their great shop with us.



Mike

DuPage Woodworkers Annual Auction

Saturday July 25th, 2009

Calling All Woodworkers, Contractors, Weekend Handymen & Re-Habers



At this year's annual **Tool Auction**, hosted by the **DuPage Woodworkers Club**, FVWWC will have a **huge** selection of tools and accessories available. Many of the items are new, in the original box or case, others are new/like new, plus 100's (yes, 100's) of blades, bits other misc. accessories.

Brands include **Black & Decker, Bosch, DeWalt, Hilti, Hitachi, Makita, Milwaukee, Porter-Cable and Vermont-American**, just to name a few! We have **Jig Saws, Circular Saws, Hole Saws, Grinders, Hammer Drills, Sanders and Reciprocating Saws**...And that is only a very partial list!

If you need blades, we have them for **Band Saws, Hole Saws, Table Saws** and much, much more! **Router Bits, Forstner Bits, Drill Bits, Masonry Bits**...And the list goes on!! Items will be offered individually and in box lots and you name the price so come early, bid often!!!

Please contact woodworkers@fvwwc.org with questions on the FVWWC items to be sold.

The Annual Club auction will be held at St. James Church on Saturday, July 25th. Registration for buyers and sellers begins at 8:00 a.m. and selling begins at 9:00 a.m. - **Rules for the auction follow:**

- Open to all members and invited guests.
- Space is available for FVWWCers wishing to sell woodworking tools and related items.

Rules below apply to ALL:

- Items must be of a woodworking nature.
- All items are guaranteed by seller to be in working order, unless specified "As Is".
- Seller has the right to bid on their items to protect the selling price.
- No large quantities of lumber.
- Cash is the method of payment.
- Low value items may be grouped by auctioneer for the purpose of expediting sale.
- Items will be sold in the order of Registration. If more than one DuPage Non-member is registered we will alternate between DuPage members and non-members.
- A 10% selling fee will be charged on items sold for non-members. (Rounded to the nearest dollar).
- Once an item is sold it becomes the responsibility of the buyer.
- All buyers and sellers must register and have a buyers number to participate.
- If a seller must leave before the auction ends, a check for the sellers proceeds will be issued by the club.
- This is meant to be a fun event. Common sense will prevail.

At end of the auction it is the responsibility of each seller to remove all their unsold items.

Auction begins at 9 a.m.
St. James the Apostle Parish
480 South Park Boulevard
Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137

South of Roosevelt Rd & North of Butterfield Rd in Glen Ellyn

For questions about the auction call **DuPage President Rick Ogren** at **630-992-9455** or via email at information@dupagewoodworkers.org

July Special Raffle for FVWWC Members ONLY

The marketing department of for the **WIA conference** in August have awarded us **1 (one) Full Conference pass valued at \$375!**

The tickets will be our usual \$5 each or 5 for \$20 and we will also be pulling for a number of smaller prizes too!!!

Don't want to take chances? The WIA folks have also issued the following discount for FVWWC Members - go to www.woodworkinginamerica.com to register with these codes:

Full Conference	\$325pp	save \$50	Code: 809FV
Friday Only	\$150pp	save \$25	Code: 809FVFr
Saturday only:	\$150pp	save \$25	Code: 809FVSa
Sunday only:	\$ 75pp	save \$15	Code: 809FVSu

Charlie

August 14-16, 2009
Pheasant Run Resort • St. Charles, IL

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Furniture Construction and Design Conference 2009

Woodworking in America Events provide in-depth explorations of subjects important to woodworkers and are brought to you by two of the most trusted names in woodworking information—**Popular Woodworking** and **Woodworking Magazine**. Presented by leading experts in the fields of woodworking, tools and furniture, our Conference sessions are useful and informative (and also a ton of fun!) for woodworkers of all skill levels and interests. In addition, our Marketplace area lets you try out the newest woodworking tools, talk to their makers and find the right equipment for your workshop.

Furniture Construction and Design

Expand your knowledge and understanding about the most important American furniture styles—18th Century, Shaker, Arts & Crafts and more—and build the joinery skills you need for each style. You'll also get hands-on training with Google SketchUp, a popular FREE drafting program, to give your design skills a huge leap forward. Join our world-class line-up of speakers and become a better designer and builder in just three days.



About the Conference

This is your exclusive chance to receive face-to-face instruction from some of the best woodworkers in the nation.

Expert Speakers

Join acclaimed furniture maker **Thomas Moser** for a keynote speech about the art and technique of his exceptional creations.

Top Toolmakers

Test drive some of the world's best tools at the event **Marketplace**, where top toolmakers will be on hand to discuss and share their wares.

Registrations now being accepted at:
www.woodworkinginamerica.com

Please Note: Registration is via online only for this event!

Intarsia Workshop with Bob & Karen Wills

Saturday, July 11th, 2009

8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Bosch Training Center

901 S. Rohlwing Rd, Unit C in Addison, IL
(Maps will be provided)

Cost is only \$35 for whole day!



Class size is limited to 12 members and, as always, it is "**First Come - First Served**" Enroll at the **July 7th Meeting** to be included. If you are planning to attend, please, let me know a.s.a.p. and I will make a note of your intentions.

Don't want to be left out? Contact me and arrange to mail your \$35 fee directly to me to insure your place in class. Will take a break for lunch and take orders for **Jimmy Johns**, or you can bring your lunch.

This is a fantastic opportunity to learn from one of the best so do not hesitate to enroll!!! Attendees will be expected to bring their own Scroll Saw, Oscillating Spindle Sander and 100 grit sanding sleeves....Cost of Wood, provided by FVWWC, is included in the workshop fee.

Can't make the Workshop on the 11th? We are planning on doing this again this fall!!!!

Contact Linda with questions or to get on the list for either July 11th or the fall workshop (Coming in October!) at (630) 551-7653 or woodworkers@fvwwc.org

Woodsmith TIPS

Tips, Techniques, and Videos from the Editors of Woodsmith and ShopNotes

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Weekly tips from the editors of Woodsmith and ShopNotes

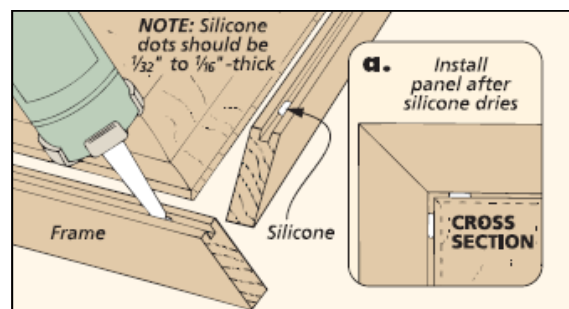
Rattle-free Doors

When building and assembling raised panel doors, I'm always careful to account for normal expansion and contraction of the panel in the frame. The precaution involves leaving a small gap between the edges of the panel and the bottom of the frame groove and then allowing the panel to "float" in the groove without glue. But this technique can lead to another problem. As the panel shrinks in dry weather, the loosened fit can cause it to rattle as the door is opened and closed.

The fix I came up with is very simple and effective. Before assembling the door, I put small dabs of silicone caulk in the bottom of the groove and allow it to dry. Once the door is assembled the caulk cushions the panel in the frame, both keeping it centered and rattle-free.

Have a nice weekend,

Ted Raife
Editor, *Woodsmith*



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Show & Tell

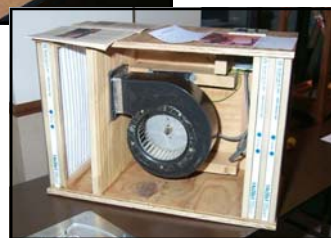
June 2009

Dave Burk, MC

Dave Burk, our new Greeter, did the Show & Tell honors in June and those participating were:

- **Mike Brady: Replica Limbert 1913 Umbrella Stand** with copper drip pan. Quartersawn White Oak with Arts & Crafts finish and lacquer topcoat. *Made with hand tools!*
- **Dave Dockstader: Name Puzzle** of Birch Plywood with Zinzer Bullseye & Wax.
- **Dan Taylor: Air Filter** plywood & Poplar, unfinished and **Cradle** for doll or stuffed animals made of select Pine. Template for mass production.
- **Fred Rizza: Gnome/Viking** carved from an unfinished **Cypress Knee**.
- **Stan Anderson: Pen/Pencil Set in Case** made of Walnut with Wipe-on Poly finish as graduation present for Grandson.
- **Joe Popp: "Round Tuit"** made of Pine with Plastic-Kote "Stone Touch" finish. "For the person who will get the work done, when he gets "Around To It"!"
- **Wayne Maier: Mantle Clock** of White Oak.
- **Len Swanson: Lamp & Finial** of Big Leaf Maple Burl with a Wipe-on Gel Varnish & Spray Lacquer.
- **Art Connolley: Tree Fort Lamps** of Pine, Apple & Cedar with Bar Top finish and **Blanket Chest** of Basswood with Poly finish. First time doing decorative woodburning too!

...Hope to see your creations next month!





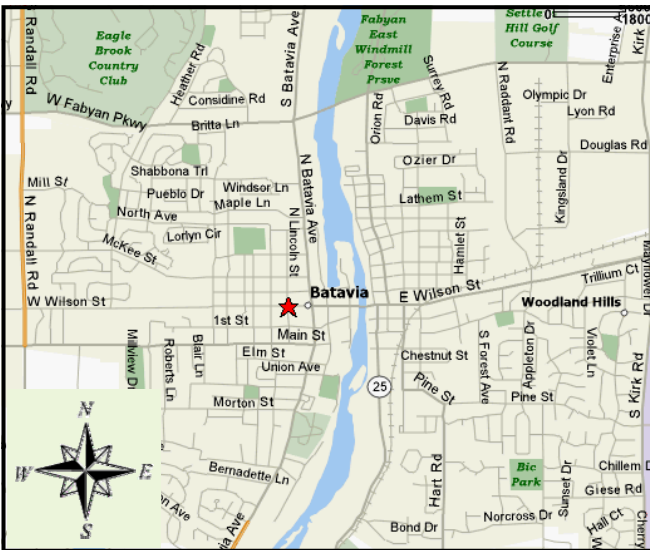
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Fox Valley Woodworkers Club

General Meetings held at:

Bethany Lutheran Church

8 S Lincoln St. - Batavia, IL

1st Tuesday of each Month at 7:30 p.m.

Doors Open at 6:30 p.m.

Visitors Always Welcome!

FVWWC Agenda

Tuesday, July 7th, 2009

6:00 p.m.: Shopsmith SIG

Upstairs in the Adult Lounge

6:30 p.m.: Hand Tool SIG

Lower Conference Room



July 7th Presentation:

Bill Gullberg,

The Chairwright,

Windsor Academy of

Chairmaking

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