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Northwest Woodworkers' Guild

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Next Meeting:

Lie-Nielsen

Thursday

February 25, 2010

6:30 PM

Seattle Central Community College 'Core Building'

2310 S. Lane, Seattle Corner of 23rd and King

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President's Message

- by Bob Schaefer

The January meeting was informative and enjoyed by all. Thanks to Sally Wright for a fine presentation and to the Guild members who brought in some striking show and tell items. Detailed notes from the meeting may be found elsewhere in the newsletter.

It is important to emphasize that the February 25 meeting will take place at Seattle Central Community College, 2310 South Lane, Seattle Wa, in the Core Building on the corner of 23rd and King. The program will be put on by Lie-Nielsen; it will be devoted to hand tools and will go from 7 to 9 PM. Our Guild will hold a very brief meeting at 6:30 prior to the Lie-Nielsen program. We request that for this particular meeting there will be no Show and Tell and no raffle. Show and Tell and the Raffle will resume at our March meeting at Woodcraft.

Our excellent newsletter editor and photographer, Steve Krauss, cannot always attend our meetings. Therefore we request that members bring their digital cameras to photograph items if Steve is not present.

The second set of membership renewal reminder letters has been sent. If you have not yet paid the dues for 2010, please do so. Remember you need to have an active membership card in order to take advantage of the discounts we enjoy at Woodcraft, Rockler, Crosscut Hardwoods and Edensaw.

I look forward to see you all at the February meeting. In the words of Seattle Opera General Director, Speight Jenkins, "It's going to be a great show, don't miss it!"

NIX INACCURATE FENCE SETTINGS HARDBOARD TEMPLATES

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Member's Discounts

All members in good standing receive a membership card that will allow them to get a discount at the stores listed below:

Crosscut Hardwoods

4100—1st Avenue S., Seattle 98134 10% Discount

Rockler Woodworking 3823 Stone Way N. Seattle 98103 10% Discount (not

valid on power tools)

Woodcraft Supply 5963 Corson S., Seattle 98108 10% Discount (not valid on power tools or workbenches)

Edensaw Woods 8032 S. 194th St. Kent, WA 98032

Please present your current membership card to receive your discount.

Monthly Shop Tip Contributed by Herb Stoops

When making cuts with a portable circular saw, setting the distance from the straightedge to the edge of the baseplate often takes time and multiple measurements.

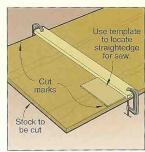
baseplate of the baseplate from the straightedge to the edge of the baseplate often takes time and multiple measurements. To simplify this procedure, rip a hardboard template as wide as the distance from the edge of the baseplate to the inside edge of the saw blade. Then, crosscut the hardboard to the length of the saw's baseplate.

To use the template, place one edge on the cut mark of the workpiece, slide the straightedge for your circular saw snug to the other edge, and clamp. Repeat this procedure at the other cut mark. You can also make these templates for a jigsaw or a router and straight bit.

—Dave Bovey, Simi Valley, Calif.



Add self-adhesive tape measure here so edge of



END FENCE ALIGNMENT HASSLE WITH REAR MEASURING TAPE

Having trouble lining up your fence parallel with the blade or miter-gauge slot on your tablesaw? For those of you who have a fence with a square or flat rear rail, here's a quick and easy solution.

First, buy a suitable length of an adhesive-backed tape measure. Secure the tape measure to the rear fence rail so that it reads the exact same measurement at the right-hand miter slot as the measurement scale on the front of the fence. Then, set your blade parallel to the miter slot by following the instructions in your tablesaw owner's manual. Whenever you position the fence, just make sure that the face of the fence bar aligns with the same measurements on the front and back rails before locking.

-Scott Geurin, San Clemente, Calif.

Fence

Existing tape measure on front fence rail

Directions: Wood Construction Center

IH 5 southbound from Marysville: Exit 165A (James St.), straight onto 6th Ave.; left onto Yesler Way; right onto Boren Ave S.; straight onto 12th Ave S.; left onto S. Jackson St.; right onto 23rd Ave S.; left onto S. Lane St.

IH 5 northbound from Tacoma: Exit 164A (IH90/Dearborn St./James St.) toward Spokane/Madison St.; right onto S. Dearborn St.; left onto Rainier Ave.; right onto S. Jackson St.; right onto 23rd Ave S.; left onto S. Lane St.

From IH90, exit onto Rainier Ave. northbound; right onto S. Jackson St.; right onto 23rd Ave S.; left onto S. Lane St.



Bob Schaefer opened the meeting and Sally Wright reported we have 74 members including two new members - Greg Gettils and David Thornton. Chris Green reported the treasury has \$2007.00

George Knutson reported that Lie-Nielson is putting on a Hand Tool Event at Seattle Central Community College February 26th noon to 6PM and February 27th 10AM to 5PM. They have offered to put on a special event for Northwest Woodworkers on Thursday February 25th at 6:30PM and after a brief discussion it was realized this would be a tremendous opportunity to combine the February meeting with the Hand Tool Event with demonstrations for woodworkers. Thanks to George for inclusion of NW Woodworkers in this event.

Show and Tell

Dennis Harrison presented his latest marketing projects of Hummingbirds. Don McNutt presented beautiful Black milk painted Rocking Chair, and George Knutson presented Gourd Artists Raffle Event at Woodcraft. George also explained his new roll at Woodcraft organizing woodworking classes.

Raffle

Tom Murray managed the Raffle including a Vacuum Gage, \$25 Gift Card, Library Books and George Knutson's Wood.

Sally Wright presented her Intarsia skills, including beautiful examples of her work. Her step by step presentation started with the #5 scroll saw blade, sanding drum and mop to cut patterns created by her and many talented artists. The puzzle pieces are dimensioned to a thickness and glued to a back board and refined with a grinder or Dremmel tool. The finishes are tinted with an acrylic paint and poly-water base finish.

Sally, we all enjoyed your superb presentation.

January Meeting Photos

- by Tom Walko









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