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# NORTHWEST WOODWORKERS' GUILD

## THE SAWDUST NEWS

January 2010

<http://www.nwwguild.org>

### Next Meeting:

**Sally Wright**

**Intarsia**

**Thursday**

**January 28  
2010**

**6:30 PM**

**Woodcraft Supply**

**5963 Corson Ave. S.**

**Seattle WA 98108**

**Phone: (206) 767-6394**

### Guild Officers

**President**—Bob Schaefer

**Vice-president and**

**Membership**—Sally Wright

**Treasurer**—Chris Green

**Secretary**—Rick Tydings

**Programs**—Al Falco, Don

McNutt, Jack Martin, Ed

Moore, Ray Ross

**Raffle**—Tom Murray, Herb

Stoops

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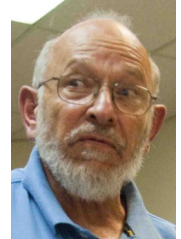
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## President's Message

— by Bob Schaefer



Due to the change of officers at the virtual end of 2009 a genuine Christmas greeting was not issued. It is expected that this New Years message will be acceptable.

We trust that everyone enjoyed a happy Christmas season despite the still gloomy economic situation. We wish you all a truly happy and brighter new year and that you can all take much joy in what we are all at heart--Woodworkers!

Heartfelt thanks again to our president emeritus Jack Martin for all his years of dedicated and effective service. Jack, we will continue to look to you for inspiration and wise counsel but remember, the pressure is now off.

A five star Thank You to Steve Krauss for his unstinting publishing activities. "The Sawdust News" is a vital factor in the Guild's operation and functions like cement holding things together. Again kudos,kudos,kudos.

As always and ever a big Thank You to Ron Hall of Woodcraft Supply for providing the Guild with a fine meeting place. Not only can we meet here but we can immerse ourselves in the wallet tempting displays of the kinds of goods which appeal to all woodworkers and makes us feel like children in a candy store.

A very brief and modest reply to myself for doing treasurer and membership duties. I can assure you that the new treasurer, Chris Green and the new membership secretary, Sally Wright will be truly outstanding and innovative in their offices. Much thanks to both of them for what they have already done and what I know they will accomplish in the coming year.

Thanks to Don Strong (library), Rick Tydings (Raffle-and now our new secretary) and Ed Moore for his help (Picnic site) on more than one occasion.

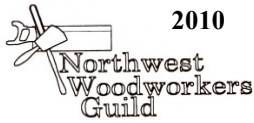
I wish success to the new people involved with the raffle and programs in the coming year. The January 28 meeting is noted else- where in the bulletin and a February program is in the works.

Thanks to Tom Howorth for starting up our website. It is really nice but it will need YOUR input to make it superlative. If you have not yet seen it, please make it a point to do so ([www.nwwguild.org](http://www.nwwguild.org)). One correction--the January 28 meeting is at 6:30, not 6:00, but come early anyway since it is desirable to start promptly at 6:30 so that we can adjourn promptly at 9:00.

The notes from the December 3 meeting, as always capably and succinctly done by Rick Tydings are presented separately in this issue.

Again Happy New Year to all members and guests. We look forward to an enjoyable and informative new year

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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.

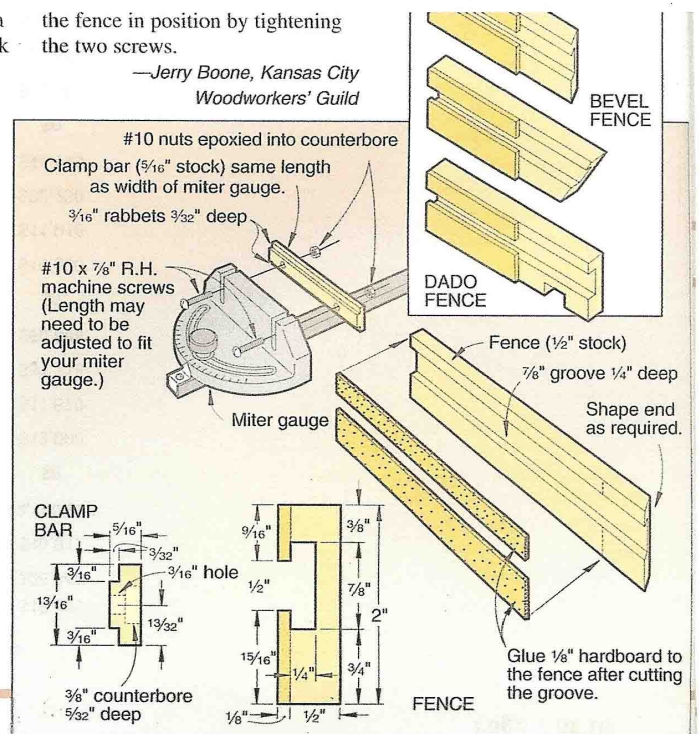
Most auxiliary fences that bolt to a miter gauge eventually start to look pretty ragged. If you use one for mitering, beveling, dadoing, and such, you eventually wind up with big chunks missing.

This adjustable fence, though, slides toward or away from the blade so that you never cut the face—regardless of the blade or the angle of the cut. You also can fabricate different slides for zero-clearance cuts.

To build any of these three fences, cut the fence and clamp bar to the dimensions shown. For length, use whatever dimension suits your needs. Choose maple or another smooth, stable hardwood. Then, glue the two pieces of hardboard to the fence. Now, use epoxy to secure two #10 nuts in the clamp bar. Attach the clamp bar to your miter gauge. Slide the fence on the clamp bar, and position it. Finally, secure

the fence in position by tightening the two screws.

—Jerry Boone, Kansas City  
Woodworkers' Guild



Monthly Shop Tip Contributed by Herb Stoops

## Next Meeting

The January meeting is at Woodcraft Supply on Thursday, 01/28/10 at 6:30 p.m. Sally Wright will demonstrate Intarsia by bringing a small bear in different stages of completion. She will show a project from pattern layout, cutting out the wood, shaping and gluing up. Sally will provide a source list for patterns, discuss tips for closing gaps and choosing wood.



# David Beyl Retires (again)

Common Sense Woodwork, a custom wood-work business, operated since 1984, CLOSED at the end of the year. Owner and guild member David Beyl shut down his hobby-turned-business on Mercer Island at the end of 2009. “It was a good run, and a great second career,” says David. The owner retired in 1978 after 24 years as a navy pilot. He then worked for six years in woodworking equipment sales and sales management. He holds a degree in Industrial Education (shop teacher) with additional training at the Seattle Central Community College Wood Construction Center. After settling on Mercer Island, with “tongue in cheek”, he hung out his shingle and independently settled into serious woodworking in his garage shop. City zoning at the time placed numerous restrictions on operating a manufacturing business in a residential area. No signs, no traffic, no noise, no dust or visible outside storage were obstacles to be overcome. There was never a complaint against the stealthy little business which grew rapidly by word of mouth. “No job too small, some too large” was his motto. As the customer list grew, so did his skill and equipment until he had a shop recognized nationally in several books as an “ideal workshop.” He took great pride in cleanliness, orderly arrangement and innovative storage. One stall of the two car garage was nightly available for his wife Sandra’s Honda.



Looking back on the experience Beyl says his greatest satisfaction came from teaching woodworking skills to others. Students ranged from pre-teen youngsters to second career professionals and serious hobbyists. An example given was a student who commuted from Alaska to learn cabinetmaking skills after a successful career as a framing carpenter. (Coming in from the cold- so to speak)! Former Washington state governor, Booth Gardner, became a regular in the shop, producing fine furniture and accessories, and enjoying Sandra’s fresh baked cookies during breaks. Lasting friendships between students and the instructor were rewards for this service.

A trademark program conducted by Common Sense Woodwork was the “Sawdust Session.” Sponsored by various retail stores, these hour-long programs were both entertaining and instructional and always well received by groups of up to 40 persons.

Having furnished their home with original designs and furniture reproductions he will continue working at his bench. His shop is his home, close at hand and ready for use. When asked what the future holds for this teacher/craftsman he states that there will unlikely be a third career. David is 75, healthy and still enthusiastic and creative. “I have been working with wood since I was ten years old and could never give it up.”

# Meeting Minutes

## For December

Sally Wright mailed out 107 letters for 2010 dues and she has also made 107 name tags for all members. This was a huge job and all members expressed their appreciation.

Chris Green reported the Treasury has \$1,438 and many members still have not paid their 2010 dues.

Show and Tell – Tom Walko shared his Bird House garden ornaments which have the same detail as his previously shown model boats. Dennis Harrison presented his latest Frog picture. Don Strong explained his latest tool for making mortis and tendons which is the Mortis Pal. Chuck Woodruff explained the process for making Wooden Key Chains, and Mike Houghs presented his Rustic Tenoning cutter.

The Raffle included Woodworking Books, \$25 Gift Certificate and a Vacuum Valve donated by Al Falco.

Bill Wiley presented Sharpening with Water Stones.

The process starts with flattening the stones with wet-dry sandpaper 100 to 220 grit. This process is most successful when the sandpaper is placed on 3/8" thick glass.

Plane blades have a 25 to 30 degree bevel. Block Planes 25 degree and Bench Planes 30 degrees.

Chisels – Paring 25 degree and general purpose 30 degree and Mortis 35 degree.

The water stones Bill uses are 800, 1200 and 6000 grit. Guides or by hand to achieve the proper angle and remember the blade is heel down, toe touches and pull towards yourself. Finish with a strop and Herbs Yellow Stone for a mirror finish.

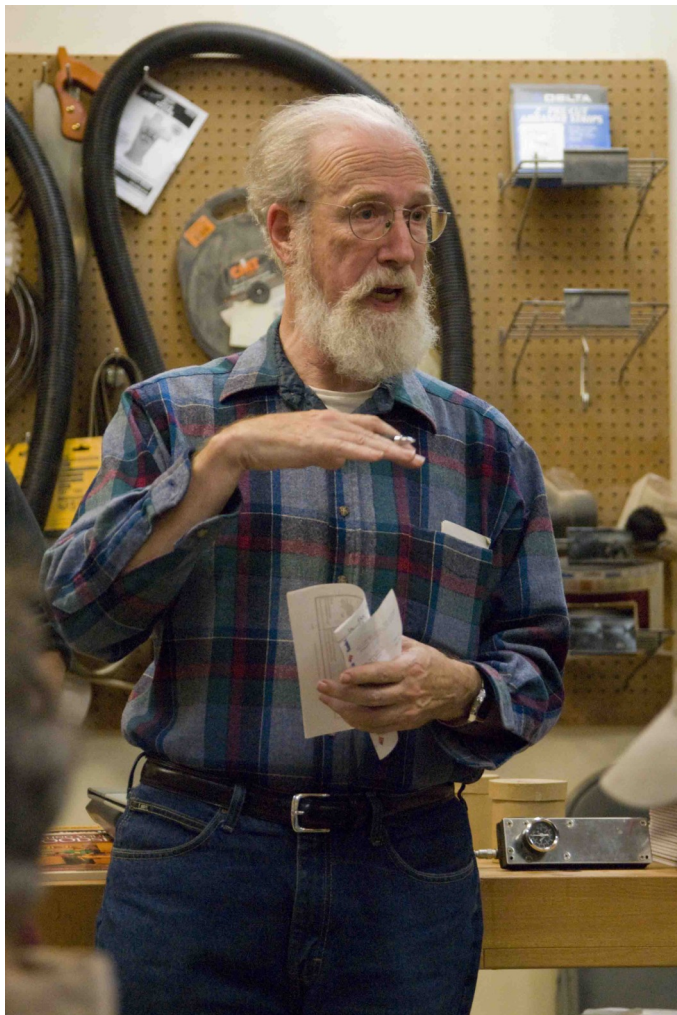
Thanks to Bill for a very informative session.

# For Sale

Makita 10 inch chop saw..NEVER USED. \$120,00. I will bring the saw to the meeting in case anyone would like to look at it. See Bob Schaefer.



# December Meeting Photos





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## Chisels

Paring 25°  
G.P. 30°  
Mort 35

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## Plane

Block 25  
Bench 30  
35° (LL)