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Next Meeting:

Bill Wiley

Sharpening

Thursday

**December 3
2009**

6:30 PM

**Woodcraft
Seattle**

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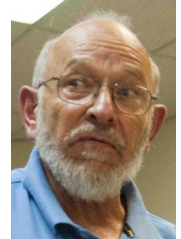
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President's Message

— by Bob Schaefer



First, on behalf of the Guild I extend our thanks to Dennis Stickle of Edensaw Woods for inviting us to their facility and presenting a most interesting program which will be described below. Refreshments were also provided by Edensaw. Dennis, thank you, thank you, thank you.

Twenty five members were present. We have a current paid membership of 85. I gave the treasury report. \$832.17 in the bank.

No new members. One guest attended, Larry Kelly. He enjoys making boxes. We look forward to him joining The Guild and seeing his work.

The books in our library are being donated to the raffle committee, and they will be attractive features for the raffles.

Show and Tell was next. Dennis Harrison continues to produce technically perfect and esthetically pleasing marquetry pictures, and he showed us two of his recent masterpieces.

Al Falco demonstrated a cleverly devised vacuum pump which works on the Venturi principle. Al made just about all the components himself and he can be proud of his work. The pump may be used with a vacuum bag for glue ups. Any one interested in making such a pump should contact Al.

The raffle brought in \$ 35.00. The dog ate my homework and unfortunately I cannot recall what the prizes were. I did not win any of them.

The main portion of the meeting was the presentation by Dennis Stickle. The next two paragraphs are directly from the repost of the Guild secretary, Rick Tydings.

Dennis Stickle with Edensaw conducted a very interesting meeting.

He is extremely good at explaining Edensaw's capabilities and processes of applying veneer to substrate. Edensaw is truly an industry leader and local resource for obtaining unique species of veneer and applying them to plywood for a 'green' application of material for numerous projects. Their minimum order is one fitch which is 100 to 150 square feet or about 3 sheets of plywood after the material is trimmed and the application process is complete.

Edensaw Kent is in a transitional process due to the location being in the downstream from the Howard Hanson Dam. After they find a new location they will receive stock and special orders on a daily basis from their Port Townsend location. Port Townsend is now a "Rockler Partner" and they will carry many of the best selling Rockler items. Additionally, it was noted that their woodworking show in September, featuring Lie-Nielson hand planes, was a great success. Many of the Northwest Woodworker members attended the show and came away with a new knowledge of hand tools and sharpening from free classes at the show.

Thanks Dennis for a fine presentation.

As you know there will be and was no meeting in November. The next meeting will be December 3 at Woodcraft Supply. Bill Wiley will present a program on sharpening. The meeting is at the usual 6:30 time.

Finally, I would like to draw your attention to a noteworthy article which appeared in The New York Times, September 30, 2009. The headline of this article read "Burden of Safety Law Imperils Small Toy-makers". This law was enacted in response to the tainted imports from China and was meant to apply to the BIG toy manufacturers, but its effects may and will extend to those craftspeople (i.e. woodworkers) who make wooden toys for a living-- and perhaps to people who make wooden bowls and other items relating to food. The law will require certification that the product(s) have been certified--an onerous burden for the small craftsman. I recommend this article to any of us who want to sell such items. The article may be found at <http://www.nytimes.com/2009/10/31/business/small>. If that doesn't work I will be happy to send a copy to anyone who calls me at (206) 282-4905 or bobanddoriss@earthlink.net.

Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and Happy 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.

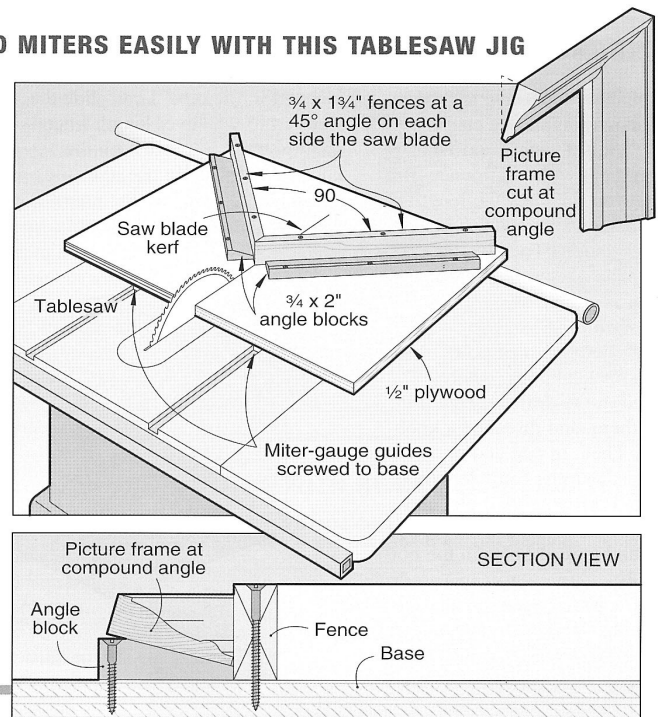
Shop Tip courtesy of Herb Stoops

CUT COMPOUND MITERS EASILY WITH THIS TABLESAW JIG

Here's a way to cut compound miter picture frames without an expensive compound miter saw. Start by making an 18x28" base from a piece of 1/2" plywood. Attach parallel miter-gauge guides on the bottom. Then, push this base through the saw blade to create a kerf that extends about 12" across the plywood.

Using this kerf as a centerpoint, screw the two fence pieces and the two angle blocks to the base, as shown in the drawing. You can bevel the angle blocks at any angle you like, but 25° works well for most picture frames. Now, clamp or hold your picture-frame moldings against the fence, and cut the compound angle by pushing the jig and the picture-frame molding through the tablesaw blade.

—David Mattichak, Port Republic, Va.



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