

Newsletter

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Meeting Review: May 2007

Ron Gilkerson, past president, took charge of the meeting and welcomed our members and guests in May for another evening of fun.

The presenter for our May 1st meeting was **David Warren**, specialist in **Lincoln Era furniture reproductions**. Dave taught us the finer points of achieving the traditional lines and joints through the use of hand tools.

Our **Field Trip to Step 1 Stairworks in Hinckley** was well attended and we thank them for having us and for the great club logo signs they presented to Ron Gilkerson.

<http://www.step1stairworks.com/>



Coming in June:

Topic will be “**Handcrafted Wood Boxes**” brought to us by St. Charles craftsman, **Bob Dickey**.

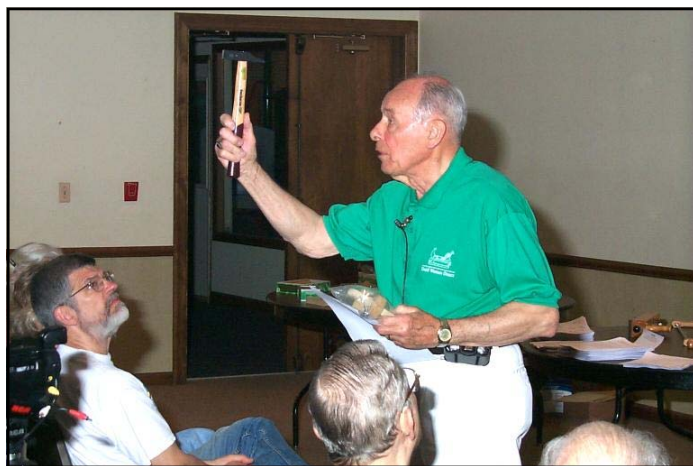
<http://www.woodonline.com>

Join us and learn how he creates his award winning works of art.

See you soon...



....LGC



Looking for a Willing and Able Volunteer...

...**Bethany Lutheran** has asked if one of our woodworkers would take a look at their organ and figure out how to fill some small holes so it looks as good as it sounds!.

It seems that, at one point, someone had attached a lock to the organ. It has been removed but the holes remain in the wood and they would like to have someone, with talent and know-how, repair the blemish and restore the organ to it's original beauty.

If anyone is interested in taking a look at the “patient” and assessing the problem just contact me and I will put you in touch with the right person.

Thanks!

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FVWWC Events Calendar

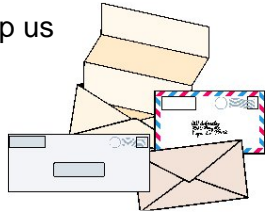
- Jun 5th..... Tue7:30 p.m. ... FVWWC General Meeting:
Robert Dickey - Handcrafted Wood boxes.
- Jun 16th.....Sat.....8.00 a.m. ... Woodworking Garage Sale -
Geneva, IL - Details on Pg. 5
- Jun 20th....Wed....8:00 a.m. ... FVWWC's Breakfast Club: At a
new, earlier time of 8:00 a.m. -
The Red Apple Restaurant at 414
S Schmale Rd - Carol Stream, IL --
Everyone is invited to stop by!
- Jul 3rd..... Tue7:30 p.m. ... FVWWC General Meeting:
Christopher Yonker - Scrapers.
- Aug 7th Tue7:30 p.m. ... FVWWC General Meeting:
George Malley, of Freud - Saw
blades and Router bits.

Thanks for the Help!

As they say, every little bit helps!

Any Members wanting to help us conserve by lowering our postage and printing expenses can contact us and ask to be switched to electronic distribution:

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Thanks -- LGC

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- Audio/Visual Tech..... Robin Blair
- Host..... Jim Anderson
- Greeter Jim Hildreth

FVWWC MONTHLY DRAWING

We are off and running!!! The ticket sales for the **Bosch 10" Miter Saw** got off to a good start and we look forward to being able to give it a new home real soon. Remember to get your tickets for this **Special Drawing**. We will sell tickets, \$5 ea/5 for \$20, until we reach our goal and then we will pull for to see who gets to take it home!

We will again have our regular variety of items to choose from in our **Regular Monthly Drawing** with proceeds from all raffles and silent auctions going towards future drawing items and the FVWWC general operating fund so, when you play, everybody comes out a winner!...



Bosch 10" Dual-Bevel Slide Miter Saw - Model 4410L

- New Arbor Laser Tracking for precision cutting
- Microfine miter adjustment knob
- Blade Diameter: 10"
- Arbor Size: 5/8" - Length: 37-1/4" - Wt lbs.): 55
- Bevel Stops: 0°, 33.9°, 45° left and right
- At 45/45 Max Height = 1-1/4" x 8-1/2"
- Max. Motor HP 3.0
- Bevel Angle Range: 47° left and 46° right

...See you at the meeting!

Winners of the May Regular Drawing were:

- 1st: The Christensen's - Bosch "Colt" Palm Router
- 2nd: Doug Olsen - \$25 Am/Ex Gift Cheque
- 3rd: Bernie Kotera - "Calculated Industries" T-Shirt
- 4th: Jim Cummings - "Calculated Industries" T-Shirt
- 5th: Larry Petrovic - "Calculated Industries" T-Shirt

Charlie Christensen - FVWWC Raffle Chairman

We Pause to Remember...

...In May it was my sad duty to report the passing of our friend Bud (Lawrence) Yackley. Bud had been an active member since the club began in June of 1984 and seldom missed a meeting until his health problems began a couple of years ago.



As was announced at the May meeting, he had suffered another stroke not quite two weeks ago. He reportedly never regained consciousness and passed away Saturday, the 12th. His family came in from across the nation for his memorial.

Bud will be missed by all of us lucky enough to know him and our sincere best wishes go to his wife, Pat, and their five children and families.

-- LGC

(Picture above is of Bud and Pat in their Lombard retirement home last fall, from an article published in the Daily Herald.)



Habitat for Humanity Volunteer Day

If you would be interested in working on one of the current HFH projects in Aurora, Please contact Robin Blair (blairr@saic.com or 630-389-0606)

We will try to get a group of up to 15 people organized to work the same day.

The work would be on a Thursday or Saturday and can be a half or full day.

We don't have any details of the actual work involved or a selected date but once we get some names, we will send out an email with more details.

If you are interested, please contact Robin or Linda (woodworkers@fvwwc.org or 630-897-4877) with your details and if you can work on a Thursday, Saturday or both.

Thanks.

Robin Blair,
FVWWC Program Chairman

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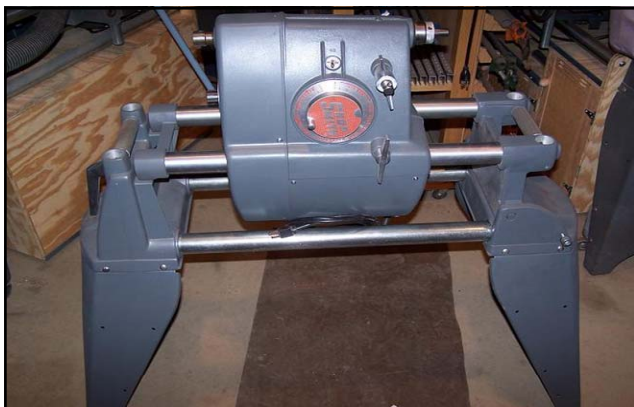
FOR SALE

More photos of the following items on the club site or on handout at the June meeting.

- **Shopsmith "Mini-Mark V":** It has the same capabilities as the Shopsmith Power Station, but with added extras of a larger speed range and it can run accessories off each end at the same time in various combinations (please make sure to follow the recommended speed for the accessories/special purpose tools being run to avoid accidents and injuries). Like the Power Station, all of the special purpose tools with the exception of the planer can be mounted on this. In addition, since both ends have drive shafts, some accessories can be mounted on the quill-side of the headstock. The old style jigsaw can be mounted on either side of the headstock. The disk sander or drill chuck in horizontal mode with an extension table can be mounted while something else is on the left end. It is almost like its big brother the Mark V except it stores in a much smaller foot print.

Since this machine is a shortened Mark V, the headstock has a speed range of 700 to 5200 RPM vs. the Power Station's 850 to 3850 RPM. And, the Mini's headstock can be used as a backup headstock for your main Mark V. This headstock has been disassembled, cleaned, lubricated, adjusted and the belt tension adjusted. I installed a new drive belt and also replaced the control sheaves & the quill assembly with good ones- the originals had bad bearings. The serial number for this one is 315418 and it has the 3/4 HP motor that runs strong. I refurbished the exterior and base assemblies with a good cleaning, prep, and new paint. This is ready to run any Shopsmith accessory except the planer. I use mine more than either of my other Shopsmith machines.

\$325 OBO. Contact me with questions.



- **Central Machinery 6" Jointer** - will mount on Shopsmith- It has 4 cutting blades instead of 3 the Shopsmith 4" jointers have. The blades have been freshly sharpened and aligned using a magnetic jig. The blades were ground flat on the side of a grinding wheel in a jig, not hollow ground on the rounded front of the wheel. Then I honed the back on a fine oil stone to remove the burr. This gives a better edge in my opinion. Manual will be included.

Asking \$225 OBO



- **Shopsmith Magna 620C 4" Jointer:** Has all upgrades. The blades have been freshly sharpened and aligned using a magnetic jig. The blades were ground flat on the side of a grinding wheel in a jig, not hollow ground on the rounded front of the wheel. Then I honed the back on a fine oil stone to remove the bur. This gives a better edge in my opinion. It has all the upgrades from Shopsmith- the featherguard & blade protection plate (not in pictures) and the chip collector chute. Copy of manual will be included. Current price new from Shopsmith is \$445 +tax, S&H.

Asking \$200 OBO



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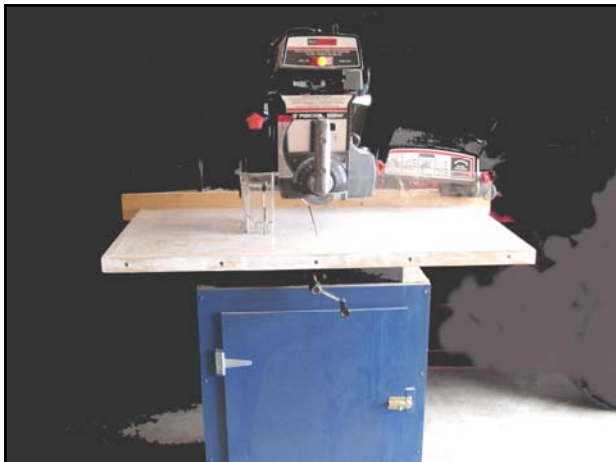
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- **Air Compressor:** 3 hp, 220 volt motor with a sizable tank on it. Only: \$35.00



- **Radial Arm Saw:** The radial arm saw is an especially good one. The motor has been rebuilt with a built up and center ground shaft so that it runs perfectly straight without any wobble. The bearings have been replaced with high speed special bearings from Germany. It comes with a new type safety blade guard and a separate blade guard for ripping. There is also a spare top. Included is the saw dust collector, and a metal cabinet with two drawers and a roll around base. This is an outright steal at \$300.00 for anyone who has a use for a radial arm.



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GARAGE SALE

Long time woodworker moving and downsizing...**Everything priced to go!**
Inviting members of local wood clubs to an exclusive sale... ..Not open to the general public for one day only! **Get there early:**

SATARDAY, JUNE 16th, 2007
Doors Open: 8:00 a.m.

565 Bradbury Ln. - Geneva, IL
(Map available at meeting or woodworkers@fvwwc.org.)

Also selling: 2005 Honda "Accord" Hybrid
- 4 Door Sedan - Gets **37 mpg** Highway/28 mpg City - Only 20,000 original miles - Completely equipped with Blue Tooth, MP-3 hook up, trailer hitch Honda installed, remote start and extra security system. Tan in color with tan leather interior. Has had only Mobil 1 oil used in it.

Asking \$21,750, which is below wholesale price. A real beauty ready to go.

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LOCAL RESOURCES

- **CARVING TOOLS, BOOKS, KITS, ETC.:** **Light Jewelers in Aurora** at 1040 N, Lake St. -- (630) 892-3830 or ask for Roger Light at the next meeting!
- **WOOD TURNING TOOLS, BOOKS & MORE:** **L & R Collectibles and Glass** online at disoorder@aol.com or call (815) 838-7686 -- Or see Rich Rossio at the next meeting!
- **6V UV BLACK LIGHT PEN LIGHTS:** **The Incurable Collector** contact Sheri Kohout at sheriko@sbcglobal.net or see her at a meeting!

Attention FVWWC Members

List your For Sale/Wanted Items Free!
Contact FVWWC Editor/Webmaster
(630)897-4877 or woodworkers@fvwwc.org



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05/2007

Hello Horigan Urban Forest Products customers & friends,

Our May news letter is out follow this link to down load a copy.

<http://www.horiganufp.com/documents/Maynewsletter.pdf>

In this issue we are featuring

Horigan Urban Forest Products was featured in the April Cabinet Maker Magazine, Case study Saving urban timber.

<http://www.cabinetmaker-digital.com/cabinetmaker/200704/>

Thick Black Walnut , Catalpa, Silver Maple, Ash and Honey Locust.

We have milled ash from Emerald Ash Borer infested trees from Wilmette and Evanston.

Donation of white oak flooring to IIT's college of architecture for the Urban Green Design Building
Check out their web site <http://www.iit.edu/~dbstudio/>

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you!

Erika and Bruce Horigan

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Just What is a "Silent Auction"?

Recently a couple of new members have mentioned that they would appreciate a little clarification on some of the club features that we talk about at the meetings. One of the most confusing is the **Silent Auction**.

Some months, along with our monthly drawings, we also announce items up for Silent Auction for members to bid on.

At FVWWC, Silent Auction items are those that have been donated to the club to be used to raise funds. Might be new products from friends in the industry or items of value donated by members or others.

The items, if not new, are always complete and in good working order. The club starts the sale at a nominal level and allows the members to bid by adding their name to a list along with their next highest offer.

All money goes to the club for use in the general operating fund. The donor does not expect or receive a percentage.

(Members wishing to sell items are also

*welcome to do so. Items should be placed on the **For Sale** table and the seller handles all questions, transactions, etc. for the items. If you have something you want to advertise before the meeting just submit info for consideration by the 20th of the preceding month. For Sale items are included in the newsletter whenever possible and photos are appreciated.)*

The **Silent Auction** at our **May** meeting was an overwhelming success and gained the club **\$120.50** towards future endeavors.

We would like to thank former long time member **Bob Phillips** for all the wonderful lumber, **Doug Pfaff** for the hinges, drawer slides and caster sets and **Bob Tamblin** for the new Band Saw blade.

Anyone wishing to donate should contact me prior to the meeting with questions. These items can also be advertised ahead of time if the information is made available.

Linda G. Christensen, Editor

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Show & Tell

May 2007

Bob Burritt, Guest MC

Bob Burritt, long time MC of our Show & Tell sessions, proved he hasn't lost his touch as he did the honors with humor in his well known style. It was yet another great show of member projects and stories of wins and woes! It never gets old or boring, there is always a new idea to be seen or a novel twist on an old pattern or design. Members with displays were as follows:

- **Stan Anderson: Common Lune with "Catch of the Day"** 1/2 scale carving from Basswood and finished with Acrylic paints.
- **Terry Steinbach: Federal Style Card Table** in Mahogany with Poplar trim with inlay of Ebony, Pear and Holly with a Shellac finish.



- **Charlie Christensen: Baltic Birch Plywood "X" Inserts**, unfinished, chair back support reproductions.

- **Jim Simnick: Video Cabinet** in Red Oak and finished in Minwax "Golden Oak" and oil poly.



- **John Winton: Turned Mini-Vases** from various woods with friction polish.



- **Jim Cummings: Freeweight/Dumbbell Wall Rack** from Red Oak with Minwax stain and wipe-on poly finish & **Tangent Cutting Jig**.

- **Bill Turk: Quilt Rack** from reclaimed Poplar fluted door casing and finished in oil stain and wipe-on poly.



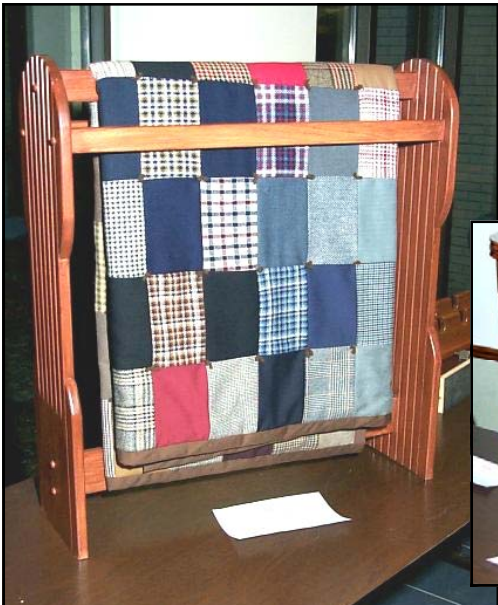
- **Dave Dockstader: Niddy Noddy** of Alder with Zinzer Bullseye finish.



- **Howard Van Valzah: Pontoon Outrigger Saddles** in Cedar with Super Deluxe Marine Varnish.

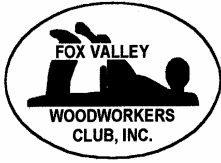


- **Jim Coon: End Grain Cutting Board** in hard Maple and Purpleheart with mineral oil and white beeswax finish.



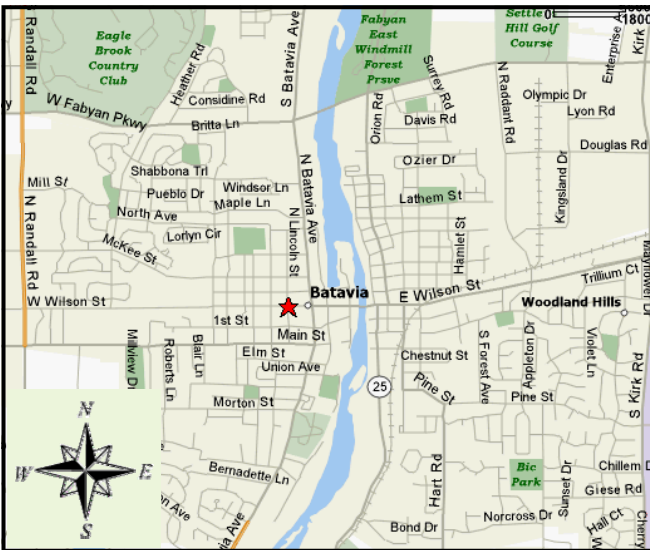
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