

Newsletter

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Meeting Review: June 2005

Thanks to Tom Sharp, Program Chairman, for handling last month's meeting for us. Easy to tell Tom is not a novice when it comes to running the show. His presentation was smoother than a multi-buffed finish! Again in June we were a little short of Board Members but that didn't stop us from having a fantastic meeting.

The presentation in June was outstanding! Kudos to **Doug Olson** for a magnificent job showing how and why one uses a computer in the workshop.



The PowerPoint show was the perfect way to enable everyone to understand just what an advantage computers can be with the planning, designing and building of projects.

The nifty spreadsheets he showed us, for calculating board feet and figuring your cost, are available on the club website or you can email Doug at dolson123@aol.com also.

Be sure to check out some of the sites he recommended for more information.

- Lumber cutting and planning software:
<http://cutlistplus.com/>
- Home Design software:
<http://www.punchsoftware.com>
- Pre-designed CAD machine symbols:
<http://www.woodworkersworkshop.com/cadfiles/cadsyms.htm>

Here's one that Charlie ran across for keeping computers clean in the workshop:
<http://www.dirtbag.biz/>

Silent Auction "Thanks!"

Back in May we had another excellent Silent Auction of some very nice items donated by members and proceeds going to the club to be used as needed.

This time around we had three members donate items as follows:

- Len Swanson: Various packs of Veneer
- Jack Krisha: Bamboo Flooring "shorts"
- Jim Robertson: Oak post turning blanks.

The club appreciates these extras and we enjoy making them available to our members. If you want to do something like this, and have an item or items you think might be appropriate, please feel free to do so. I would ask that, whenever possible, you give me a "Heads-up" so I can both make sure I come prepared to do the auction and have a chance to notify folks about what we will have for auction. Most times we have sprung these on folks unannounced and that

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means many missed out because they didn't bring extra money or maybe they didn't drive a vehicle made for hauling. Even same day notice will mean I'll be prepared and many with email will be able to plan on bidding.

Thanks again to all past donors -- It is always appreciated!

Please let me know if you are planning to make a donation: Linda G. Christensen at (630) 897-5877 or webmaster@fvwwc.org

FVWWC Events Calendar

Jul 5th.....Tue ...7:30 p.m...**General Meeting:** Demo of Kaleidoscope Construction by Dave Smith

Jul 20th .Wed.. 9:00 a.m...**Breakfast Club:** The Red Apple Restaurant at 414 S Schmale Rd-Carol Stream.

Aug 2nd...Tue ...7:30 p.m...**General Meeting:** Wood Carving Techniques demoed by Dave Reilly

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Virtual Shop Tour Project Continues

Work is being compiled by Doug Olson for presentation at a future meeting. Please see Doug during a break or contact him at dolson123@aol.com or (815) 541-8228 and he will be happy to give you the details on how to participate!

FVWWC MONTHLY DRAWING

The following lucky members won the drawings at our June meeting:

1. **Dave Kline:** Porter-Cable BN125N 18ga. Brad Nailer
2. **Bob Reed:** Digital Ear Protectors



As usual, in July we will have a choice of 3 (three) 1st Prize items as well as some secondary items. Please note: The AmEx Gift Cheque amount offered for first prize will be either \$50 or \$75 depending on ticket sales.

See you at the meeting!

**Charlie Christensen,
Raffle Chairman**

Dremel #8000-01 & Kit Combo



<http://www.dremel.com>

\$75 AmEx Gift Cheque



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

Porter-Cable FN250B
16 ga Finish Nailer



<http://www.portercable.com>

Show & Tell

Matt Gauntt, MC

We had quite a good turn out for June, in spite of the heat! Here's what we saw:

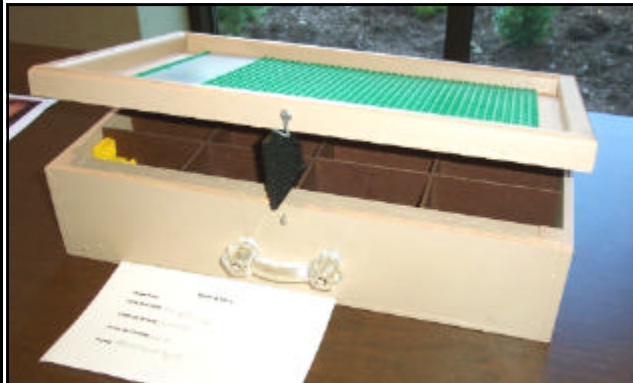
Mike Madden: Elm turned bowl with shellac finish.

Gail Madden: Elm turned bowl with shellac finish.

Rich Rossio: Turned Spalted Birch vase with a wipe-on poly finish.

Len Swanson: Rosewood music box with Klockit movement and finished in Danish Oil & Minwax.

Fred Rizza: Mahogany Tea Table with oil stain and poly finish.



Stan Anderson: Red Oak Quilt Rack with carved leaves in Straw Pastel stain with poly final coat.

Joe Popp: Wall plaque of Aromatic Cedar with a clear lacquer finish.

John Winton, Dave Van Norman & Debbie Hunisted combined talents to design and make Coasters of Oak with a poly stain.

Matt Gauntt: Mission Style Dining Room Table of Quartersawn White Oak with General Finishes of Seal-A-Cell and Arm-R-Seal.

Alesha Gauntt, age 10: A Lego Divider chest of plywood with a painted finish.

Paul Dehnert: Bookcase in the style of a doll's castle playhouse made of painted Pine.

Teresa Glisson: Sewing Cabinet in Cherry with a Linseed Oil, Lacquer and wax finish.



Membership Update June 2005



Renewals:

Dale Rankin - Bartlett
Marlan & Janet Tevis- Batavia
Ed Schalk - Geneva
Dan Spooner - Streamwood

New Members:

June 2005
Martin McNamara - St. Charles
Roger Vachon, Membership

SHARPENING SERVICE

Offered to FVWWCers **ONLY!**

Instructions for items to be sharpened:

- Wrap blade(s) to avoid damage/injury.
- Label each package with your Name/Mailing Address/Phone Number **printed clearly.**
- Come to the next meeting and drop them off.

That's all there is to it!

DeKalb Saw & Tool

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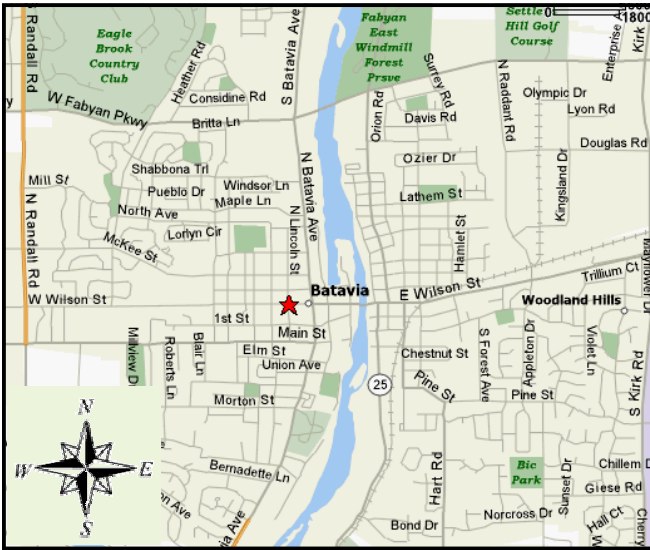
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Fox Valley Woodworkers Club
Meets at:
Bethany Lutheran Church
8 S Lincoln St. - Batavia, IL
1st Tuesday of each Month at 7:30 p.m.
Doors Open at 6:30 p.m.
Visitors Always Welcome!

Agenda for July 2005

Kaleidoscope Construction by David Smith. Many know Dave from **Hardwood Connection** in Sycamore. If you've toured their Gallery you have likely seen Dave's work on display. Kaleidoscopes are a thing of beauty as well as an intriguing diversion.

