

Newsletter

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Meeting Review: April 2007

Tom Sharp, president, started things off with a few club notices and a welcome to all.

We had more than a dozen visitors in the crowd of 120+ attendees in April.

Our guest speaker, **Jim Heavey** had some very down to earth advice for getting the perfect finish each and every time.

Here are few of the highlights I picked up from Jim:

- **DO NOT OVER SAND!** Always leave some tooth for the finish to hold on to by sanding wood to 220 only.
- **AVOID TACK CLOTHS!** Wipe down or blow dust off the project before applying your finish but don't use tack cloths that leave a residue behind.
- **SAND BETWEEN COATS!** Apply three layers of finish, sanding between coats. Use the finer grits now the perfect finish.
- **LET COATS DRY THOROUGHLY!** No matter what the can says, allow 24 hours between coats for the best results.

Jim makes it sound simple -- Now lets all show him we were paying attention!

Thanks Jim, we look forward to seeing you again soon!



Coming in May:

The presenter for our May 1st meeting will be our old friend, **David Warren**.

David specializes in **Lincoln Era furniture reproductions**. Learn how to achieve the traditional lines and joints with hand tools.

On Saturday, May 5th, we will take a Field Trip to **Step 1 Stairworks in Hinckley**. Join us as we tour their facility and learn what they do and how they do it.

After the tour, we will all congregate at a local eatery for lunch and conversation.

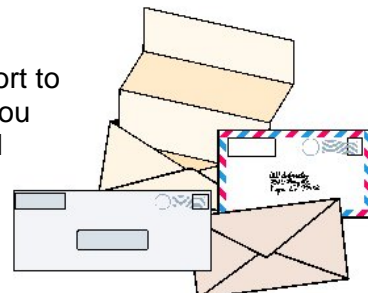
See you soon...

....LGC

Help FVWWC Save on Postage

As most folks know, postage costs are going up in a few days. In an effort to save money, we are asking if there are any members who can help. If you have access to the monthly newsletters via the Internet or have an email address, please let us know. We can send you a .pdf copy directly each month or notify you when the newsletter is posted to the club site.

Please, help conserve funds for other expenses by lowering our postage and printing expenses. Contact us and ask to be switched to our electronic distribution list:
Linda G. Christensen, Editor at woodworkers@fvwwc.org.



Thanks -- LGC

FVWWC Events Calendar

May 1st..... Tue 7:30 p.m.... FVWWC General Meeting: David Warren: Lincoln Era Furniture & Hand Tools.

May 5th Sat 9:00 a.m.... Field Trip: Step 1 Stairworks at 201 N Somonauk Rd in Hinckley, IL - www.step1stairworks.com

May 16th .. 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!*

Jun 5th Tue 7:30 p.m.... FVWWC General Meeting: Robert Dickey - Handcrafted Wood boxes.

Jul 3rd Tue 7:30 p.m.... FVWWC General Meeting: Christopher Yonker - Scrapers.

Aug 7th..... Tue 7:30 p.m.... FVWWC General Meeting: George Malley, of Freud - Saw blades and Router bits.



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FVWWC MONTHLY DRAWING

We did it!!! The 30 Piece Bessey "Tradesman" Bar Clamp Set & Stand went home with member Dave Kline. He and four others, Matt Gauntt, Jack Krishna, Doug Pfaff and Roger Vachon, also were awarded \$25 Am/Ex Gift Cheques. Congratulations to all!!!

In May we are going to kick off ticket sales for another **Special Drawing**. We will sell tickets, \$5 ea/5 for \$20, until we reach our goal and then we will pull for a:



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

Winners of the April Regular Drawing were:

- 1st: Dave Burk - Porter-Cable Air Compressor
- 2nd: Dave Lay - Digital Calipers
- 3rd: Robin Blair - Wood Show Hat
- 4th: Dave Lay - Wood Show Hat
- 5th: Larry Maher - \$10 Klingspor Gift Certificate

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!...

...See you at the meeting!

Charlie Christensen - FVWWC Raffle Chairman

Show & Tell

April 2007
Matt Gauntt, MC

April brought us another fine array of projects. Those on display were:



➤ **Alan DeRoss: Shaker Style Rocking Chair** in Cherry and Pine with Zebra Wood Accents. Finished with Minwax Polyurethane, Seal-a-Cell Satin, Minwax Stan, Helmsman Spar Varnish and Ultra-Shine Wax.



➤ **Wally Quanstrom: Walnut Bible Box** with varnish finish.

➤ **Doug Pfaff: Segmented Bowl** turned from Aromatic Cedar with Tung Oil finish.



➤ **Nick Rentas: Walnut & Maple Drawer** finished in Arm-R-Seal Oil & Urethane.

➤ **Jack Krisha: Birdseye Maple & Paduka and Eastern Cedar & Paduka unfinished Wine Boxes** as seen in Wood Magazine. Also a Maple, Walnut & Rosewood **Cutting Board** with a Salad Bowl Oil finish.



➤ **Len Swanson: Turned Trinket Box** with lid made of Osage Orange with friction finish.

➤ **Dick MacFeely: "Burl in Orbit" wood sculpture** from Maple Burl with Tung Oil finish.



➤ **Doug Olson: Hickory Headboard** with Wipe-on Poly finish.



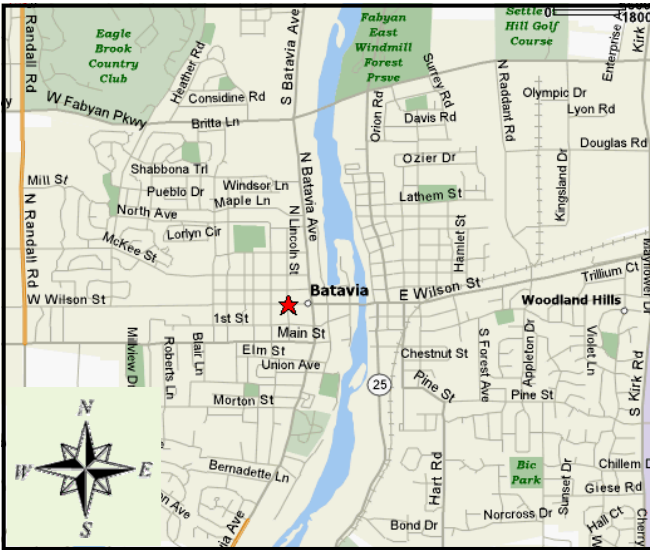
➤ **Paul Dehnert: Example of "Bad" plywood.**





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Bethany Lutheran Church
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1st Tuesday of each Month at 7:30 p.m.
Doors Open at 6:30 p.m.
Visitors Always Welcome!

FVWWC
General Meeting
Tuesday, May 1st, 2007
David Warren,
presents
"Lincoln Era
Reproductions"

