

Newsletter

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Meeting Review



In September **Jeff Miller** gave us a fascinating talk on the use and care of hand tools like the plane, cabinet scraper, spoke shave and others. Jeff said the real beauty of using hand tools is not just the results they produce but the quiet joy and serenity one enjoys while using them.

On the Agenda

■ **Rorke Miller of Miller Dowel Co.** will be appearing in October to give us an in depth look at their joinery system!

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

■ The Wood Show at the Odeum in Villa Park: October 8th, 9th & 10th.

■ **Breakfast Club:** Stop by and join us at The Red Apple Restaurant at 414 S Schmale Rd in Carol Stream, IL

■ **Shop Tour: Greg Karr's** in St. Charles at 9:00 a.m., Saturday the 16th of October.

Be sure to check out the doors on his garage... Exact replicas of those found on Fire Houses back in the horse drawn wagon days. So authentic you will think you have ventured back in time!

■ In November we welcome Al Sievers, local stained glass artist, and our own Mike Brady, Arts & Craft/Mission Style specialist. They will combine their talents in what is sure to be a fascinating show.

Hope to See You at the Wood Show!

Larry McHone, Show Chairman

Fall 2004's Woodworking Show is coming to the Odeum in Villa Park on October 8th, 9th & 10th. FVWWC takes pride in the variety of skills within our membership and always welcomes an opportunity to share this aspect with the public. **(See page 3 for more on the Show and what you will be missing if you don't attend!)**

FVWWC will have our standard display highlighting some of the Show & Tell items we have enjoyed over the years and other projects members wish lend to our exhibit. You may bring your projects to the October meeting or contact me for pick-up or delivery arrangements. Each item will be treated with the utmost care until it's return at our meeting in November.

As always, member's are needed to lend a hand, all three days, from setup to tear down. The work isn't hard (very little heavy lifting), the rewards are many and it's a lot of fun.

The Odeum show is where many of us discovered the club over the years and the tradition continues each spring & fall. If you can give us an hour or two helping in the booth, you will earn the undying gratitude of myself and the club and the perk is free entrance to the show. The only thing you need to bring with is a smile and your club enthusiasm. You will get a chance

to tell others about the club and get a chance to talk shop with some of your fellow members. Don't hesitate — **sign up now!**

Sign up at the next meeting or call me at (815) 824-8038 to volunteer.

Thank you for your support.

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One, each, Grapefruit Holder - Made to Order

If "a picture's worth a thousand words" these photos constitute a book! You may recall the requests for someone to volunteer to turn a Grapefruit Holder as a wedding present from a soldier to his soon to be bride. Well just take a look at the results.

Member Jon Wolfe answered my pleas and got in contact with the Mom of the groom-to-be and they worked out the details. Below is the holder, which Jon turned from Minnesota Cherry. A friend of the groom's Mom, Michelle, hand lettered words of love to bride Tammy on the pedestal's base, as per Drew's design.

Drew and Tammy LaMirand were married Friday, August 13th, 2004 at the Kane County Courthouse after both had returned home from extended deployments in Iraq. They are now stationed in Germany and send their thanks to Jon and FVWWC for helping make

Drew's dream gift become a lasting family treasure.



Library News

Stop by and browse...We have loads of books, DVDs, videos, magazines and more to inspire that next project!

Cheryl Miller, Librarian



Attention FVWWC Members

Have something to Sell and can't wait for the next Newsletter to be published? Looking for a special tool to buy/borrow and don't know who to ask? Hear some woodworking news too good to keep to yourself? Call or send us an email with details and we will broadcast it to all online Members!

Contact FVWWC Editor/Webmaster
(630)897-4877 or woodworkers@fvwwc.org

Membership Update

2005 Membership Renewal is in

full swing! Fill out a membership renewal form and submit it with your \$25 to the Membership Committee at the next meeting or mail to:



FVWWC

PO Box 1041

Batavia, IL 60510

James Nellis, Membership

Highlights of the Upcoming Wood Show

Or, "What you'll miss if you stay home!"

HOW-TO-CLINICS:

Check out exciting demonstrations on cabinetmaking, milling, shop machinery, turning and finishing. This is your chance to see great time saving tricks up close and personal. Plus enter to win great prizes every day.

Kreg presents: Cabinetmaking with Mike Heavey

- **Face Frame and Carcass Construction**
Clinic Times: Friday 11:00am-12:00pm, Friday 1:00pm-2:00pm, Saturday 12:00pm-1:00pm
- **Door and Drawer Construction**
Clinic Times: Saturday 12:30pm-1:30pm, Saturday 2:00pm-3:00pm, Saturday 3:00pm-4:00pm
- **Customizing Kitchen Cabinets**
Clinic Times: Sunday 2:00pm-3:00pm, Sunday 4:00pm-5:00pm, Sunday 5:00pm-6:00pm

3M presents: Finishing with Jim Heavey

- **New Project Preparation**
Clinic Times: Friday 1:00pm-2:00pm, Saturday 2:00pm-3:00pm, Sunday 2:00pm-3:00pm
- **Stain Application/Coloring**
Clinic Times: Saturday 3:00pm-4:00pm, Sunday 4:00pm-5:00pm
- **Topcoat Application**
Clinic Times: Friday 11:00am-12:00pm, Sunday 5:00pm-6:00pm
- **Refinishing an Existing Project**
Clinic Times: Friday 12:00pm-1:00pm, Saturday 12:30pm-1:30pm

Logosol presents: Milling with Rob Bjorklund

- **Locating and Handling Logs**
Clinic Times: Friday 1:00pm-2:00pm, Saturday 2:00pm-3:00pm, Sunday 2:00pm-3:00pm
- **Sawmilling for Woodworkers**
Clinic Times: Saturday 3:00pm-4:00pm, Sunday 4:00pm-5:00pm
- **Drying Wood**
Clinic Times: Friday 11:00am-12:00pm, Sunday 5:00pm-6:00pm
- **Chainsaw Bar and Chain Maintenance and Safety**
Clinic Times: Friday 12:00pm-1:00pm, Saturday 12:30pm-1:30pm

JET presents: Shop Machinery with Kelly Mehler

- **The Tablesaw**
Clinic Times: Friday 1:00pm-2:00pm, Saturday 2:00pm-3:00pm, Sunday 2:00pm-3:00pm
- **The Bandsaw**
Clinic Times: Saturday 3:00pm-4:00pm, Sunday 4:00pm-5:00pm
- **The Jointer**
Clinic Times: Friday 11:00am-12:00pm, Sunday 5:00pm-6:00pm
- **The Planer**
Clinic Times: Friday 12:00pm-1:00pm, Saturday 12:30pm-1:30pm

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Laguna Tools presents: Turning with Steve Russell

- **Turning Green Wood Bowls**
Clinic Times: Friday 1:00pm-2:00pm, Saturday 2:00pm-3:00pm, Sunday 2:00pm-3:00pm
- **Alternative Material Pen Turning**
Clinic Times: Saturday 3:00pm-4:00pm, Sunday 4:00pm-5:00pm
- **Creating Unique Decorative Surfaces**
Clinic Times: Friday 11:00am-12:00pm, Sunday 5:00pm-6:00pm
- **Selecting Turning Tools and Sharpening**
Clinic Times: Friday 12:00pm-1:00pm, Saturday 12:30pm-1:30pm

SEMINARS:

Five Effective Ways to Bend Wood

Date: October 8, 2004
Time: 9:00am - 12:00pm
Speaker: Michael Fortune

Seminar Description: The ability to bend wood to exact shapes opens up an incredible range of possibilities for woodworkers of all skill levels. Chair parts, table aprons, cabinet doors, sports equipment and musical instruments can be made with precisely bent curved components. This seminar will give you the information you need to determine the most appropriate bending technique for any application. Steambending, laminating, vacuum forming, hot pipe bending and creating a curve by cutting are all techniques that can be duplicated inexpensively in your own workshop. Michael will also cover how to choose the best woods for bending as well as special tips for safely machining curved workings.

Price: \$50

Innovative Jigs and Fixtures for Today's Woodworker

Date: October 9, 2004
Time: 9:00am - 12:00pm
Speaker: Michael Fortune

Seminar Description:

This seminar will provide practical tips along with a wide variety of useful jigs and fixtures that can be used at each of the machines in your workshop. including your bench. Innovative fixtures can make using your workshop a more enjoyable and safe experience, improve accuracy and increase your productivity all at the same time. Michael will demonstrate how to maximize the use of your existing equipment by making jigs that help to simplify ways to cut elaborate joints in solid wood, square and join panels, drill accurately placed holes, and cool ways to lay-out and cut curves precisely. Michael will provide student with a set of plans for each of his unique fixtures.

Price: \$50

For more information visit their website at:

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

Show & Tell

Matt Gauntt, MC

The September meeting had only a few members bringing projects for Show & Tell but they were interesting ones, to say the least.

- **Paul Dehnert:** An innovative Sanding Station made to look like an old time Hot Dog Cart! It was made of scrap wood with a colorful painted finish.
- **Jim Vojcek:** A lovely turned Bowl of Bubinga with a Deft finish.
- **Tony Leto:** Nice side table, done in a modified Mission Style, of Cherry with a durable Poly finish.
- **Jim Byrne:** Tau Cross Plaque of Oak trimmed Catalpa with a Lacquer finish, nicely carved.

Winners in the drawing were:

1. **Jim Byrne: Outlet Strip**
2. **Tony Leto: Set of C-Clamps**
3. **Jim Vojcek: Mini-Clamps & Driver Set**

See you all there next month!



FVWWC MONTHLY DRAWING

Drawing winners in September 2004 were:

1. Dan Gatz: Senco Micro Nailer
2. John Warwick: DeWalt Mug & Driver Set
3. Dan Gatz: DeWalt Mug & Driver Set

We will have a choice of 2 (two) 1st Prize items in October. The 1st prize winner may choose *either* the ever popular \$100 AmEx Gift Cheque or the Dremel Cordless #8000-01 & Accessory Combo Kit. (The item not chosen will be offered again the following month as one of the "choices"!)

Dremel #8000-01 Lithium-Ion Cordless & Accessory Kit Combo



<http://www.dremel.com>



\$100 AmEx Gift Cheque

Same as cash -- Good everywhere!

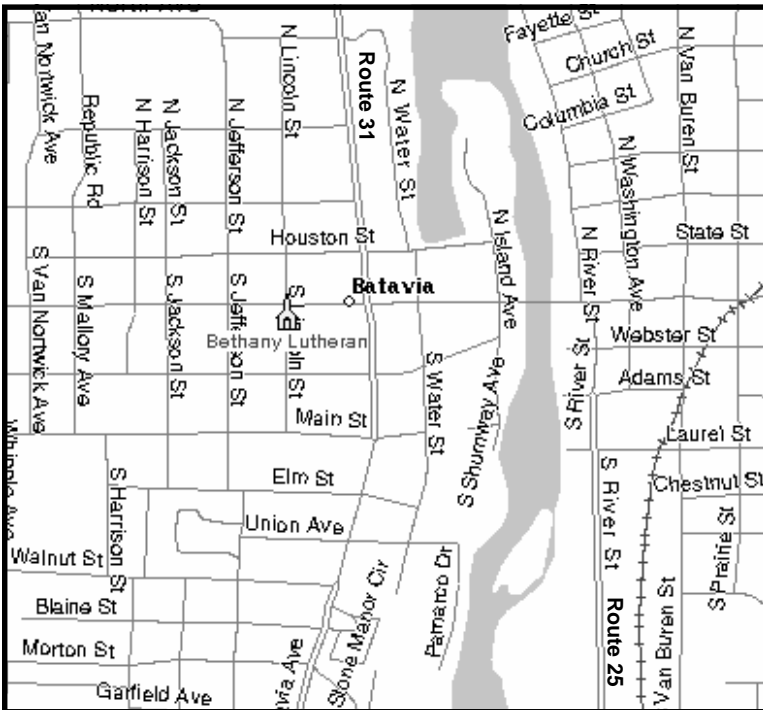


<http://www.aeis.com/>



Thank you for your continued support of our club! See you at the meeting....

...Charlie Christensen



FVWWC Meets at:
 Bethany Lutheran Church
 Of Batavia, IL - 8 S Lincoln St.
1st Tuesday of Month
7:30 P.M.
Visitors Welcome!



Keep up with all the Club news and
 lots of interesting information:
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FVWWC Events Calendar

- Oct 5th.... Tue... 7:30 p.m. . General Meeting: Rorke Miller,
 Miller Dowel Co. - Winnetka, IL
- Oct 8-9-10th See Flyer. The Fall 2004 Wood Show at
 the Odeum in Villa Park, IL -
 Check Page 1 for details or call
 Larry McHone: (815) 824-8038
- Oct 16th.. Sat ... 9:00 a.m. . Breakfast Club: The Red Apple
 Restaurant at 414 S Schmale
 Rd in Carol Stream, IL
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 Charles - Map available at meet-
 ing & via FVWWC email.
- Oct 23rd/24th .. Sat & Sun "Artistry in Wood" by J.R.
 Cadawas & No. Suburban Carv-
 ers at the DuPage County Fair-
 grounds -Sun: 11:00 a.m. - 4:00
 p.m. - Sat: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
- Nov 2nd... Tue... 7:30 p.m. . General Meeting: Al Seivers and
 Mike Brady – Stained Glass and
 Wood Projects Presented.
- Nov 17th. Wed .. 9:00 a.m. . Breakfast Club: The Red Apple
- Dec 7th.... Tue... 7:30 p.m. . General Meeting: Christmas
 Party and Annual Toy Drive

