

February's Meeting

“Claw & Ball Carving”

by Robert Reading

February's meeting topic will be a presentation on Claw & Ball Carving by John McAlister. Mr. McAlister had recently made a reproduction of a Goddard-Townsend secretary, for which Fine Woodworking Magazine honored him with the back cover. He was featured in the April 1998 issue (no. 129). John's work is also featured in our gallery of members' work. New members should take a look at what is in the gallery.

Members' Gallery by Dave Lewis

The Charlotte Woodworkers Association maintains a Members' Gallery where you can show off your projects. It's on display at every meeting, and at special functions in which the Association participates. To have your projects shown in the Gallery, it's a simple matter of providing Dave Lewis with a good quality photo (color preferred) and a brief description of the project. It's been a while since we've gotten recent photos. Many of you must have had Christmas projects to do. Let's have a copy of your latest effort to share with others.

Since the Charlotte Woodworkers Association is now on-line (www.charlottewoodworkers.org), we'll also need more photos for the Web Site.

Call Dave Lewis (541-0411) if you need help with the photography. Scanning is available to get your photos on-line, too. After all, there's nothing quite like having a worldwide audience for your work!

Last Month's Meeting “Veneering”

by David Waters

We would like to thank Jack Coobs for January's presentation on veneering. About 91 members and guests attended. Jack discussed two basic ways to apply veneer to a substrate: yellow glue and press method, and the hot hide glue and hammer method. Keep in mind that any kind of stable substrate will do, but smoothness and strength should be considered. There are several sources for veneer, including burl, quartersawn, plainsawn, and imported. Be sure to check with your local woodworking supplier or hardwood dealer.

Jack is the owner of Coobs Inc. and creates custom furniture to order. He's presented programs to the CWA in the past, the most recent being about inlaid wood in July 1997.

Program Committee *by David Waters & Jeffrey Hollis*

The Charlotte Woodworkers Association would like to thank and congratulate the following people for volunteering their time and efforts to the 1999 Program Committee: Guy Bradford, Bryan Coburn, Dwight Hartsell, Steve Hooper, Dave Lewis, Bob Reading, Dave Terpening, Sanford West, and Jack Madey (co-chair).

Have you got an idea for a presentation you'd like to see? Your CWA Program Committee has three vacancies right now. We also need presentation ideas and leads for speakers. If you'd like to participate in planning the programs you enjoy every month, call Dave Waters at (704) 871-1609, or see him before or after the next meeting.

Classified Section

Wanted: Ted and Anita Genest are looking for a large capacity stroke sander. Please call them at (704) 597-2952.

*The Classified Section welcomes your ads in these four departments:
for sale, wanted, help wanted, for trade. Please send your request to the editor by the 5th day of the month for inclusion in the next newsletter.*

Milestones

by Jeffrey Hollis

We are sad to report that CWA member Carl Hall passed away this past January. Carl was a retired engineer, and a member of our Program Committee. I understand that at one time, he even built his own light plane. We're sorry to see him go, but hope that he's still making sawdust...

Support Our Supporters

by Jeffrey Hollis

Our supporters provide an important benefit to the membership of the CWA. There are two categories of businesses that support the CWA:

Contributors support the CWA by hosting meetings and providing raffle and giveaway items.

Sponsors offer members a discount on merchandise or services.

- this month's featured supporter -
The Woodworking Shop of Charlotte
(704) 521-8886

As you are aware by now, The Woodworking Shop of Charlotte is located at 116M Freeland Lane. Besides hosting our meetings every month, Marc Saunders (mgr.) offers members a 10% discount on store items (except power tools and lumber). They even contribute to our raffles on a regular basis. The Woodworking Shop is open on weekdays from 9 AM to 6 PM, Saturdays from 9 AM to 5 PM, and Sundays from 1 PM to 5 PM. Marc keeps the store open after meetings so you can look around, too. Please support this supporter!

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Woodworking Classes for 1999

by Robert Reading

If you want to take a woodworking class this year, here are some of what is available.

Center for Furniture Craftsmanship

25 Mill Street

Rockport, Maine 04856 207-594-5611

- Basic Woodworking..... June 7-18, July 5-16,
Aug. 2-13, Aug. 30- Sept. 10, Oct. 11-22
- Intermediate Furniture Making..... June 21- July 2
- Chair Making..... July 19-30
- Classic European Carving..... July 5-9
- Advanced Carving..... July 12-16
- Traditional Hand Tools: Tuning and Use..... July 26-30
- Learn to Draw..... Aug. 2-6
- Japanese Hand Tools..... Aug. 9-13
- Advanced Furniture Making..... Aug. 16-27
- Wood Technology..... Aug. 16-20
- Working with Upholstery..... Aug. 23-27
- Finishing..... Aug. 28-29
- Repair and Refinishing..... Aug. 30-Sept. 3
- Elegant Boxes/Intimate Spaces..... Sept. 13-24
- Design and Craftsmanship..... Sept. 27-Oct. 8
- Relief Carving..... Sept. 13-24
- Ornamental Carving..... Sept. 27-Oct 1

Penland School of Crafts <http://penland.org>
Post Office Box 37 828-765-2359
Penland, NC 28765-0037 Fax 828-765-7389

- Heirloom-Based Functional Form..... May 30-June 11
- Environmental Sculpture..... June 27-July 9
- Have a Seat..... July 11-23
- Cabinets: Kitchen and Otherwise..... July 25-Aug. 10
- Personal Interpretation..... Aug. 15-27
- Design and Build a Foyer Piece..... Aug 29-Sept. 4

John C. Campbell Folk School

One Folk School Road www.grove.net/~jccfs

Brasstown, NC 28902-9603 1-800-FOLK-SCH

They have 24 Woodturning classes available. The first class started January 10 and the last class starts December 5. They have 40 woodworking classes available this year. The first class started January 17 and the last class starts November 28. If you are interested give them a call or go to their website.

Augusta Heritage Center

Davis & Elkins College

Elkins, West Virginia 26241-3996 304-637-1209

They usually have classes on the following subjects, but I don't have a 1999 schedule.

- Bent Willow Chairmaking
- Carving
- Dulcimer Construction
- Timber Frame Construction
- Wood Joinery
- Other craft classes are also available.

I will add more schools as I get the information. I have attended several of these classes and would attend any of them again.

ARE YOU INTERESTED?

By Robert Reading

The Harvey W. Smith Watercraft Center of the NC Maritime Museum in Beaufort, NC is willing to hold a special class for the CWA. The content and the time of the class is flexible. We would need to have about 6-8 people willing to attend and the class would be held in Beaufort, NC. They have held the following classes in the past:

- Boatbuilder's Tool Kit
- Boatbuilding Carpentry
- Lapstrake Boatbuilding
- Lift Half Model Making
- Lofting
- Marlinspike Ropework
- Oarmaking/Sparmaking
- Plane Making
- Tool Reconditioning
- Traditional Boatbuilding
- Woodworking Joints
- Plane Care
- Hawks Nest Half Model Making
- Scratchbuilding Watercraft Models
- Rigs and Rigging
- Decorative Wood Carving

I have attended a couple of classes at the center and would be willing to attend again. Anyone that is interested please call Bob Reading at 821-7868.

Shop Health & Safety

by Jeffrey Hollis

- "Working wood is inherently dangerous. Using hand or power tools improperly or ignoring standard safety practices can lead to permanent injury or even death..." – Timothy D. Schreiner, editor, Fine Woodworking Magazine.
- "...and remember, there is no more important safety rule than to wear these: safety glasses." – Norm Abram, host, New Yankee Workshop.

How many times have we read or heard these safety cautions? Probably enough to be able to recite them from memory. But do we take the time to heed these words of advice? I hope so! In the coming months, I'd like to explore several aspects of Shop Health and Safety. What qualifies me, you ask yourself, to discuss Health and Safety? Well, I'll tell you...

In addition to overseeing the day-to-day operation of many groundwater environmental cleanup projects in three states, I also act as the Health & Safety coordinator for a staff of 14 at my day job. We adhere to Federal OSHA regulations, and manage and operate construction and system maintenance sites, which involve the use of many types of heavy equipment.

I also own and operate a small woodshop here in Charlotte on nights and weekends. Most of my machinery is small, but the dangers are still real. I used to accept one small injury per project (a cut on my hand, a splinter in my finger), but as my jobload increased, I realized that **any** injury is too many injuries. I find myself now **always** wearing my safety glasses and my earplugs. My dustmask is on whenever I'm sanding or routing (and for a good half-hour afterward!). I take other precautions as well, but there are areas I know I could do better.

I have access to a wealth of Health & Safety information, and I plan to cover several topics in future issues of the Sawdust. I'm hoping they will spark discussion at the meetings or maybe even a small amount of controversy. In the meantime, if you have any questions or suggestions, please call me at (704) 596-2874, or see me before or after any of the meetings.

Attendance & Membership Up!

by Jeffrey Hollis

Approximately 91 members and guests attended January's meeting, and membership continues to soar. The Woodworking Shop of Charlotte has attracted an additional 18 members in the past two months. Depending on renewals, CWA should sustain a 200+ membership this year!

CWA Business at Meetings

by the CWA Officers

The officers of the CWA wish to remind everyone that meetings begin at 6:00. Raffle and store purchases, networking, socializing, and Association business need to be conducted before that time. The Woodworking Shop of Charlotte is prepared to have us there at 5:30. Officers usually arrive before then and stay after the presentation is complete to be sure all business is taken care of. Due to the increased membership, we ask that you please follow this as a guideline. Thank you!

Storage Space Rental

by Jeffrey Hollis

Robert Reading has approached the CWA with an idea that may save many of us woodworkers time and money when searching for lumber at affordable prices. He's been looking into renting a storage space (probably 10 ft x 20 ft) to store bulk quantities of lumber for the Association. This would allow the CWA to acquire large volumes of lumber at a savings which can be passed on to members. Rental for a self-storage facility of that size can be found in the city for approximately \$100 per month. Facilities outside city limits may be considerably cheaper.

The issue will be brought up for a vote at the February meeting, so bring any questions or concerns with you at that time.

Welcome!

by Jeffrey Hollis

Since the Christmas dinner, the CWA has attracted 23 new members. In the old days, the new guy would stand up and tell everyone about him/herself. It's gotten a bit difficult to do that lately, but we'd still like to welcome all the new faces!

Stan Lanier	Mike Cooper
Marty Barker	James Storch
Michael Pierle	Bill Austin
Dian Queen	John Goodson
Thomas L. Burgess, Sr.	Ron Rogers
Persaler Worth	Allen Efird
W. Winfield Scott	Bill Gruhn
Kenneth Roland	Glenn McCloskey
Tom Small	David Blizzard
Rob Garrett	Richard Boykin
Lou Barnard	Bob Shaw
	Kathleen
	Connolly

Many of the above have not filled out a membership application. Please stop by the secretary's table before or after the next meeting and do so. This will allow us to better know your interests and skills. This, in turn, helps us to plan a better schedule of programs for you. In addition, you'll need your membership card to receive sponsors' benefits.

CWA Supporters

a Complete Listing

CHARLOTTE HARDWOOD CENTER

Mr. Ron Davis
4250 Golf Acres Drive
Charlotte, NC 28208
704-394-9479 (contributing / sponsor)

CHARLOTTE SAW AND KNIFE

Mr. Richard Williams, President
420 West Palmer Street
Charlotte, NC 28203
704-333-0527 (sponsor – sharpening only)

CUSTOM RESTORATIONS

Mr. Larry Hinshaw
3230L Piper Lane
Charlotte, NC 28208
704-357-9929 (contributing / sponsor)

H&S LUMBER

Mr. Robert Boland, Manager
4115 Monroe Road
Charlotte, NC 28205
704-333-3130 (sponsor)

WOODCRAFT

Mr. David Boyuka
1725 Windsor Square Drive
Matthews, NC 28105
704-847-8300 (contributing)

THE WOODWORKING SHOP of Charlotte

Mr. Marc Saunders, Manager
116M Freeland Lane
Charlotte, NC 28217
704-521-8886
(contributing / sponsor - except power tools & lumber)

WT TOOL

Mr. Martin C. Dowdy, General Manager
4200 Barringer Drive
Charlotte, NC 28217
704-527-4071 (sponsor)

Show your CWA membership card at any of the listed places to receive benefits (except for Woodcraft, which is unable to provide sponsorship in the form of discounts).

Remember to support our supporters!

**Next Meeting
February 15, 1999**