

# THE SAWDUST

CHARLOTTE WOODWORKERS ASSOCIATION, INC. NEWSLETTER

## APRIL'S PRESENTATION

The April's presentation was on Marquetry. Given by Beth Woody from the Marquetarians of the Carolinas.



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### NEWSLETTER:

If anyone would like to contribute articles, photos, information or provide suggestions for the newsletter; please let me know. We need to make this a group effort.

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## “Marquetry ”

Marquetry has been known by many names—Intarsia, inlay, mosaic, and overlay to name a few. All of these are at least somewhat correct. Marquetry is the art of using the natural colors and graining of wood veneers from many species of trees to create intricate pictures or appliques for furniture. The designs are cut by hand with a fret-saw, sharp knife, or scroll saw. The pieces are assembled like a puzzle and glued into place. The picture is then placed upon a more common piece of wood or the furniture piece, glued into place and polished to a satin or glossy finish. Although modern Marquetry is predominately done with wood veneers, other materials such as fine metals, ivory, granite, and mother-of-pearl are also used. The direction of the grain in the wood, the variation in color of the wood used, along with the occasional use of other materials combine to give each picture or inlay a unique look, making every piece a ONE-OF-A-KIND. Given proper care, these Marquetry pieces can last for centuries.



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## “Marquetry ”

Marquetry is the art of creating decorative designs and pictures by skillfully utilizing the grain, figure and colors of thin veneers, and sometimes other materials such as shell or ivory. While the exact origins of marquetry are unknown, it is believed to have its inception in ancient Egypt where inlays were used in the palace of King Mausolus around 353 BC, located in modern day Turkey. In addition to this, hieroglyphs and paintings from Ancient Egypt indicate that veneers were cut with bronze adzes and applied to burial caskets.



During this same time period, mosaic work was also widespread. Thus, it is presumed that it didn't take long for old world craftsmen to also start experimenting with designs formed from different veneers.

In the 14th Century marquetry was developed in Northern Italy and used as a method of decorating cathedrals. Over the next few centuries, marquetry schools were established in France, Germany and Holland. During the 16th to 18th Centuries much exquisite work was produced focused primarily on decorating furniture, especially for royalty.



Eventually, marquetry extended westward from Europe to America and beyond.

Today there are a handful of professional marquetarians, however, it is often the amateur who produces some of the finest work.

Unrestricted by commercial concerns, they are able to develop new techniques which are often labor intensive, advancing this unique art form to new standards.

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## “Marquetry”

For more information on joining “Marquetarians of the Carolinas” contact them via e-mail at:

[Marquetry.Group@gmail.com](mailto:Marquetry.Group@gmail.com)

Come join them at their meetings! You will meet some of the friendliest, enthusiast, and most sharing people in the arts/crafts world. Several Master of Marquetry belong to their group and every member is willing to share their knowledge and experience.

## Show and Tell



**Dulcimer**

By Mark Willingham

## Show and Tell



### **Small Bench**

Made by Mike Pleso



### **Lidded bowl And Walnut Clock**

Made by Scotty Coble

## Boy Scouts of America

### Woodworking Merit Badge:

Scouts worked on merit badges at JPM this fall in October assisted by CWA members.

#### *Explorers Post:*

We have had keen interest from area Scouts. An Explorer Post (A co-ed teenage division of Boy Scouts for 14 - 21 year olds) has been exploring a variety of areas of wood working in the broadest sense including framing, cabinet making, furniture making, wood turning, etc. They meet at JPM generally meet once a month on the 3rd Saturday of the month.

Post members that want to also join CWA get a student membership rate of \$15/ year.

## JPM Shop Use

Any current CWA member who would like to use the shop is welcome to do so! All that is needed is to schedule the time! If you have something specific you need to do and you need our tools or a bigger shop to work in, please do so!

To use the shop contact Jim Emery at:  
[JimE@JacksonPark.Org](mailto:JimE@JacksonPark.Org).

CWA members are there on Monday nights at 5:30 pm if you need any advice or assistance with a project.



## CWA Google Groups

With a single email we can let you know what's happening. You can also view all the published club newsletters.

**Note: You Can Join This Group on Your Own!** To join:

<http://groups.google.com/group/charlotte-woodworkers>

Click the link "Join this Group" (on the right).

- Create a Google account if necessary (all they want is an email address and password). Please save your password in a secure place for future use.
- Once "signed in" select the radio button "Email" at the bottom and enter a nickname.
- Send an email out to the group to introduce yourself!
- Use [charlotte-woodworkers@googlegroups.com](mailto:charlotte-woodworkers@googlegroups.com) as the "send to" in any email communication to all members of the group.

## CWA FRIENDS AND SPONSORS

*Please thank them every time you use their services.*

### **Woodcraft**

1725 Windsor Square Drive  
Matthews, NC 28105  
(704) 847-8300  
Charlotte Store

### **WHOLESALE TOOLS**

4200 Barringer Drive Charlotte NC 28217 1-800-438-3580 (Service) [www.wttool.com](http://www.wttool.com)  
5% - 20% discount with current membership card.

### **Klingspor's Woodworking Shop**

[www.woodworkingshop.com](http://www.woodworkingshop.com)  
800-288-0000

### **Irwin Tools**

<http://www.irwin.com>

### **FARRIS BELT & SAW**

235 Foster Ave.  
Charlotte, NC 28203  
[www.farrisbelt.com](http://www.farrisbelt.com)  
704-527-6166  
Complete sharpening services and abrasives

### **Horizon Forest Products**

Greenville, S.C.  
<http://www.horizonforest.com/>  
Local Charlotte Salesman Chad Mitchell, 704-401-6426

### **The Woodworking Source**

184 Azalea Road  
 Mooresville, NC  
<http://www.thewoodworkingsource.com>  
Phone: 704-662-9663

### **Whiteside Machine Company**

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Phone: 828-459-2141

## The Classified Section

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This space is reserved for classified ads! If you have any woodworking or related items for sale that you think would be of interest to the membership, or are looking for a specific woodworking item, please contact Vance Smith [vrsmith79@att.net](mailto:vrsmith79@att.net). Include a complete description of the item and a couple of pictures.

Also, check the bulletin board at JPM as other items may be posted there.



### **Regular CWA Meeting Time and Place**

Meetings of the Charlotte Woodworkers Association, Inc. are held the third Tuesday of each month, except for December. Meetings are held at Jackson Park Ministries Woodshop at 4001 Sentry Post Drive, Charlotte, NC.

Please check the web site:

[www.charlottewoodworkers.org](http://www.charlottewoodworkers.org) for directions.

Note: you may see construction on Sentry Post Drive as they have been working the area of late.

A social and refreshment time starts at 5:30pm; our meeting starts at 6:15pm. Come to the meeting early and get to know your fellow woodworkers!

## CWA MEETING PRESENTERS

All members are asked to keep an eye out for anyone that might make be a suitable program presenter for our CWA club meetings. Who knows, it might even be you!

### Recent presentations have included:

- ◆ Spoon Carving
- ◆ Fitting a Drawer
- ◆ Bandsaw Boxes
- ◆ Hide Glue
- ◆ Tuning up a Wide Board
- ◆ Workbenches
- ◆ Intarsia Lidded Wood Boxes
- ◆ Turning a Peppermill
- ◆ Using Sketch Up
- ◆ Finishing
- ◆ Cutting Ogee Style Feet on a Bandsaw
- ◆ Building a Mantle Clock
- ◆ Small Shops
- ◆ Workshop Design
- ◆ Dust Collection 101
- ◆ Saw Blades 101, Freud Blades and Router Bits
- ◆ "Easy Wood Tools" for Woodturning
- ◆ Intro. to the Lathe - Learn & Build Project
- ◆ Small Projects
  
- ◆ Turning long Stem Goblet
- ◆ Finishing Round Table
- ◆ Thomas Day Furniture
- ◆ Tool Sharpening
- ◆ Marquetry

**If you know of someone with a woodworking skill that could be of interest please contact Dave Powles at (704) 506-0403.**

## THE CWA LIBRARY

Books, DVDs and Tools for adjusting machinery are available from the CWA library for small rental fee for a month. Contact Maurice Blackburn at :

[MBlackburn1@Carolina.RR.Com](mailto:MBlackburn1@Carolina.RR.Com)

Also, please help your fellow woodworker and make your club newsletter even better by contributing a short book review.

Remember, your review is redeemable for a free DVD

The CWA meeting raffle could benefit from your donation. If you have any tools (old or new) or shop supplies you would like to donate to be raffled, please bring them to the meeting and let Mike Smith know.

## Boy Scout Woodworking

### Merit Badge

JPM has been holding shop sessions for Boy Scouts working towards receiving a woodworking merit badge.

This is an outstanding way to introduce young people to woodworking. With many school shop programs being phased out this may be the only contact our youth have to a wood shop and the craft of woodworking.

If you would like to put your name on that list to help or would like to find out more please contact

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May Meeting

Tuesday May 21st

Presenter's Topic making Flutes

# Directions to Jackson Park Ministries



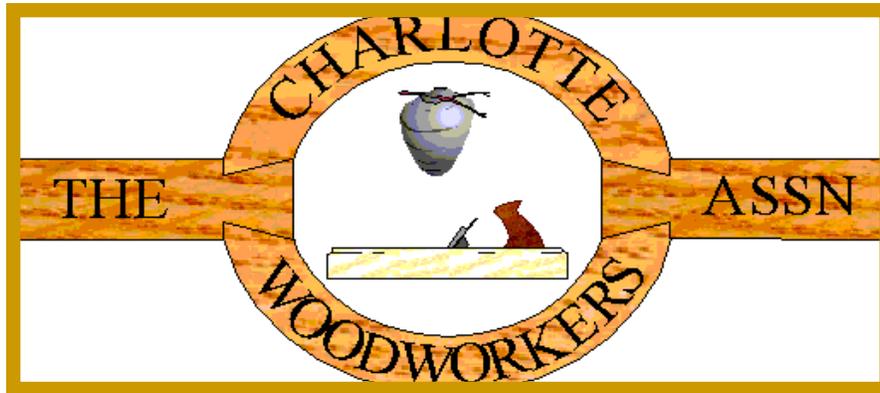
From the intersection of I-85 and Billy Graham Parkway:

1. Take Billy Graham Parkway South.
2. Turn Right on Paul Brown Blvd / West Blvd. (this will be after the main entrance to the airport)
3. Turn Right on Airport Drive.
4. First left on Sentry Post Drive.
5. At the end of Sentry Post Drive there is driveway on the left. Enter here. Using the photo above, drive down the driveway and around to the warehouse with the "x" on the top.

From the intersection of South Tryon Street and Billy Graham Parkway (where Woodlawn turns in to Billy Graham). Also exit 6 from I-77.):

1. Take Billy Graham Parkway North.
2. Turn Left on Paul Brown Blvd / West Blvd. (this will be at the light after the Tyvola Road exit)
3. Follow from Step 3 above...

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[www.charlottewoodworkers.org](http://www.charlottewoodworkers.org)

## WOOD HUMOR

A Canadian logging company needed to hire another lumberjack, the first guy to apply was a short little skinny fellow, who was laughed at by the manager and told to leave.

"Just give me a chance," the little guy pleaded.

"Okay," the manager replied, "Grab your axe and cut down that cedar over there,"

Two minutes later he was back at the managers office, "Trees cut, do I get the job?"

"I don't believe it, that is so much faster than even my best lumberjack could have done it, where did you learn to use an axe like that?" the manager inquired.

"Sahara Forest," the little guy replied.

"Don't you mean the Sahara Desert," the manager corrected him. "Sure that's what they call it now."



Old timer is looking at tools at the local building supply store, he picks up a hammer. "Don't make these like they used to," he tells the salesman, "I've had the same one for over fifty years, just had to replace the handle six times and the head twice."

June's Meeting will be Tuesday 18th