

June 2004

Encouraging all woodworkers in self-expression, craftsmanship and knowledge

Upcoming meetings

1. Sat. July 17 Trip to Collectors Specialty, Gardner Colorado
2. July 31 - Aug 2 - Jefferson County Fair
3. Aug 6-8 - Adams County Fair
4. Sat. Sept 25th - Sawyer Demo - this will be way cool

Best Joinery Techniques

presented by Rand Richards

Red Rocks Community Collage

13300 West Sixth Avenue, Lakewood

Last month, Rand Richards, head of the Fine Woodworking Department at Red Rocks Community College, conducted a presentation the critical basics of wood joinery: Wood movement and the breaking strength of commonly used wood joints. The springs semester Joinery class at Red Rocks conducted an experiment by gluing up several right angle joints: dowels, biscuits, mortise and tenon, and half-lap. One end of the "L" was anchored to the floor and the other end was attached to a scale and a hand winch. The students used the winch to apply tension until it broke and recorded the pounds of force it took to break the joint. All the joints them selves and the glue held, it was the wood at the end of the joint that broke. The experiment showed that the joint with the most side-grain to side-grain contact was the winner. In this experiment, the winner was the half-lap in which the scale broke before the joint (~ 850 lbs). This was a very useful and informative session.

Andy Z.

MONTHLY GUILD MEETING
Saturday, June 19th, 2:00pm - 5pm

**HARDWOOD EMPORIUM — A
WOODWORKER'S HEAVEN!**

16043 W. 4th Ave., Golden, CO 80401
303/277-1488

Jay Rhyner, owner of the Hardwood Emporium, grew up in Wisconsin as a Packer fan and Cheese Head. In fact, his Grandfather was a cheese maker who also owned a sawmill. Jay's father built a dry kiln—and by the time Jay was 11 years old he was stacking boards in that kiln.

The love of wood runs in this family, as Jay's brother is a wood distributor for sawmills in the Midwest. He also owns his own dry kiln and supplies a good deal of the wood for the Hardwood Emporium.

Jay has been in Colorado since 1996 and previously worked at Paxton Lumber and Austin Hardwood. His current major customers include Red Rocks Community College, Cabinet Makers, Millworks, and the Colorado Woodworkers Guild. He is a Certified National Hardwood Lumber Association (NHLA) Lumber Inspector as well as a Certified Dry Kiln Operator.

Since he opened the Hardwood Emporium in the spring of 2003, Jay has enjoyed substantial growth. He attributes a lot of his success to date to the CWG and appreciates our business. He stresses individual customer care and high quality materials.

At the next Guild meeting on June 19th from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m., everyone will enjoy Jay's Brat's cooked with a secret family recipe from Wisconsin and some good discussion. Please accept his invitation to enjoy another splendid CWG meeting.

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STILL WE ^NEED YOU



THE FEW, THE PROUD, THE WOODWORKERS!

The shows are less than 2 months away

As we approach the upcoming fairs, we find we are still short of volunteers. The Guild has committed to both fairs and we believe these are two great opportunities to share your unique skills with children as well as have a lot of fun with other woodworkers. Here's the details:

**Jefferson County 4H Fair —
Friday, Saturday and Sunday,
July 30th through August 1st —
Jefferson County Fairground**

**Adams County Fair — Friday,
Saturday and Sunday,
August 6th through August 8th —
Adams County Fairground**

How Can I Help?

We still need 8 - 10 more volunteers. **WE NEED YOUR HELP.** Don't worry if you can't volunteer your time and talent for both events, or for even one complete day! Whatever time you can spare will be greatly appreciated, not only by your fellow guild members, but by the children who will benefit from your talents.

Sign-up now to participate in these exciting and rewarding volunteer opportunities. Both the Jefferson County 4H Fair and the Adams County Fair need our participation commitments by **June 22nd**.

The Jefferson County 4H Fair

We have been asked to provide some items for auction to benefit the 4H Club. Last year we donated the two tables we built and raised \$600 at the auction. Lets top that this year. We are asking you to donate items to this worthy charity. We must provide a list of all donated items by June 25th.

There will also be an open entry division of the fair to display your talents. You can bring your completed projects to be displayed and judged on Friday Afternoon or Saturday morning. There is no fee for your entry. Your items will be judged, critiqued and ribbons will be awarded in a number of categories. Last years judge did a superb job at critiquing each entry and provided some very helpful tips to help us improve our skills.

A Prep Get Together

On Saturday July 17th, we will get together to precut and prep the materials for the fair. Come join us from 9 AM to 1 PM (As needed to complete the work). It will be a fun time and good fellowship. The location will be provided in July Newsletter.

Your Last Chance

Let's show our Guild pride and help a worthwhile organization! Please contact Dave Villella at (303) 854-0314 or email at dvillella@elward.com to volunteer. You'll have a great time!

A few of the Pens made by Ron Rose



Guild Member Discounts

20% off of purchases at

The Paint Store/Colorado Paint Co.

5177 W. 64th Ave., Denver, CO.
303-428-5440

The Hardwood Emporium

16043 W. 4th Ave., Golden CO. 80401,
303-277-1488

10% off at:

Abilene Awards & Logos

1730 S Abilene, Aurora, CO. 80012,
303-755-0337

Austin Hardwoods

975 W. Mississippi, Denver, CO. ,
303-733-1292

Centennial Wood Co.

985 S. Logan, Denver, CO.
303-778-6209

Charlie's Secondhand Store

2227 Larimer St., Denver, CO.
303-295-1781

Paxton

4837 Jackson St., Denver, CO.
303-399-6047

Rockler Woodworking and Hardware

2553 S. Colorado Blvd., Denver, CO.
303-782-0588

Woodcraft

4403 S. Tamarac Parkway, Denver, CO.
303-290-0007

*5% off reconditioned tools and
10% off accessories at*

Pentair Sales & Service Co.

(Delta/Porter-Cable reconditioned tools)
8175 Sheridan Blvd., Unit S, Arvada, CO
303-487-1809

Specials For June 2004

Paxtons Wood of the Month

4/4 wormy soft maple S3S
\$2.17 / bf normally \$3.24

Also 4/4 S2S rift cut & qtr Walnut
3.25 -4.5" wide, 6, 10 & some 14' lengths
Sale Price \$5.99 / bf

Centennial Wood of the Month

4/4 Aromatic Cedar S2S
\$2.18 / bf

Hardwood Emporium

Come and see Jay and his operation
On Saturday June 19th 2-5 pm

For Sale Items this month

Delta 12 In portable planer Model 22-540 120 volt 15 amp
8,000 rpm with 4 in dust port \$100.00
Call Paul Seipel at 303 337-5278

Delta Direct drive table saw. 10", 15 amp 110V motor, steel
extension wings and mobile base all for \$250. Call Joe
Findley @ 303-619-4955

Moulding for Sale @ Paxtons

Paxtons has a clearance going on on Moulding. Ron sent me
a whole page full of different Alder, red oak and Maple
mouldings. They have Crowns and bases going for \$1.00
per LF, Panel, lip and recess mouldings going for \$0.30 per
LF, Some screen, panel, rounds and other smaller mouldings
going for \$0.20 per LF and then there are some poplar and
red oak smaller crowns and base mouldings going for \$0.50
per LF.

pricing is for instock mouldings only and may change without
notice. Sorry no returns will be allowed

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WE NEED SOME HELP

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Board Meeting Minutes

To conserve space in the newsletter for articles of interest to our Guild members, we'll no longer publish the Board Meeting Minutes each month. Copies of the minutes are available upon request by contacting a Guild officer.

Visit our web site for the latest information and late breaking announcements

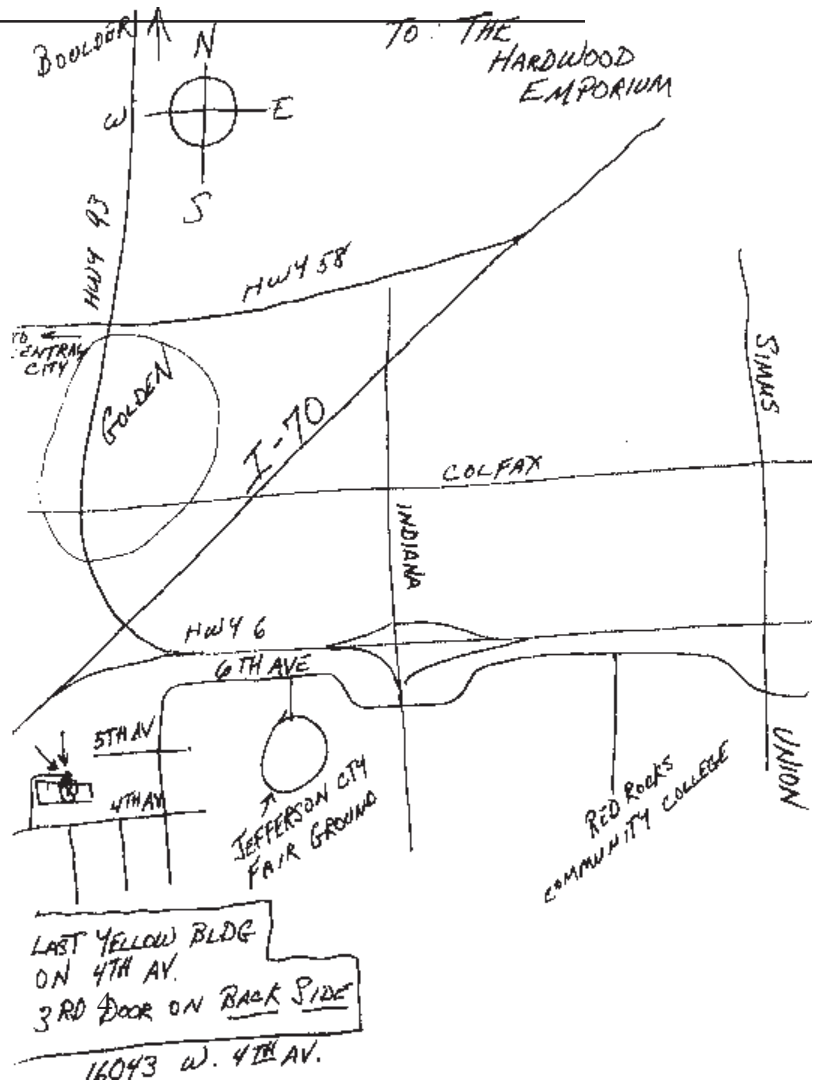
www.coloradowoodworkersguild.org

Woodworkers Guild Finance Report: May 2004

Income \$240.00

Expenses \$209.40

Balance in Checking account: \$3,180.55



Rockler Sponsored Freedom Pen Turn-a-thon

Saturday June 26th, 2004

You should have heard something by now about a project the guild is participating in. If not I guess we have not done such a great job communicating to you.

The project is called the Freedom Pen project and was conceived in January of this year by a person on the Sawmill Creek woodworker's forum. The concept is straight from the heart and simple. From us woodworkers here in the US make something for our troops deployed in Iraq and Afghanistan protecting our safety and freedoms.

The resulting online discussion formulated the logistics needed to undertake such a task as well as the outstanding support from members of the forum. There is now support from most of the woodturning suppliers across the US and over 1,000 people have been involved in making pens to send over to our troops via the Chaplains division of the army. The goal is to make 20,000 pens by the end of 2004.

In April John Hammer, Chris Pine and I worked with Rich Johnson at Rockler and we set out to turn as many of the 100 pens the guild purchased for the project. We came prepared with blanks already sized, and tubes glued in and ready for turning. We did well too, completing just over 60 pens that day. In the following weeks we completed the rest and also received donations of pens from members as well as cash donations totaling \$80 for non-woodworkers that heard what we were doing and wanted to help as well.

We were able to gather 91 pens together to take to Abilene Logos and Awards owner Grant Barrett. Grant donated his services to laser engrave as many of the pens as possible with the expression "From the folks back home". These look outstanding and I cannot thank Grant and his family enough for their generous contribution to our efforts.

We have a grand total of 128 pens mostly all packaged and ready to ship off. This mostly thanks to my 10 and 11 year old children who have been doing most of this task in between all their other activities and school.

So that was a lot of words to tell you something that I know we have already wrote about before. So why am I going through this again. Simple. We are going to participate in another turn-a-thon. This is a national day of turning sponsored by the great people at Rockler. We will be doing this on Saturday June 26th at the Rockler store here in Denver. I urge all members of the guild to join us in this most noble effort for the people that sacrifice so much for what they and we value so tremendously, the freedoms and quality of life we live.

I can tell you from personal experience how much this small token of acknowledgement is appreciated. Yes I have been making pens for the Freedom Pen project. I have also made almost two-dozen pens for people I know personally who are veterans from other wars. I have been making special red – white & blue pens with a wooden lower barrel and giving them to these veterans. My kids help doing what they can and together we have been presenting these with our heart felt thanks for the sacrifices they and their families made so that we can enjoy the freedoms we have today not just her in the USA but also in many countries around the world.

At times it is hard as an individual to support those so far away fighting on our behalf. This project is something we can each participate in and show what value we place in the men and women defending our freedoms and way of life. I am looking forward to the opportunity to meet each of the guild members, yes all 435 plus of you and thank you for putting a few hours aside to contribute to this project on June 26.

Sincerely
Ron Rose
Your president

A note to the Board and members

I would like to apologize to the members of the guild and the board that works so diligently with me. For the past few months right after I got this assignment to be your president a few significant things changed in my life that have forced me to make priority decisions with respect to the tasks I have committed to. The fact of the matter is that I was not keeping my commitments I was making to the members or the board on the things I would do and when I would get them done. This is not right and frankly rather poor performance that I would be reviewing with any of the people that work for me as such.

So, I have at least made the first step in correcting the situation and that is to acknowledge it. The next step is to make sure that I delegate these tasks so that I am not trying to do everything. Our members that get the newsletter via the postal service I have really let down. The past two and this newsletter have gone out far later then they should be to be in your hands in time for you to plan for and attend our monthly meeting. For those where I have dropped the ball in making sure your membership is current or there are problems with your email or postal address that you are not getting the newsletter all I can request is that you accept my apology and I will make sure we structure ourselves so that we do follow-up and get back to you to make sure there the problems are resolved.

Sincerely
Ron Rose
President
