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September NWA Meeting

Thursday, September 13, 2007, 7:00 pm Shaker Heritage Society Meeting House Albany-Shaker Road, Albany

- Ken Evans

It is September and the NWA meetings are to resume for the enjoyment and education of all. We start the season off with a great program titled "Everything You Want To Know About Woodworking".

This five part program will begin with Ed Van Wormer, President of the Adirondack Woodturners Association, and a dissertation on how to get a board out of the rough with sides straight and true. Ed is not just a pretty face and a woodturner. Ed teaches woodworking (flatboarding) in the Adult Education Program at Guilderland High. If you are going to be a flatboarder, you must see and hear Ed get you started.

Wally Carpenter, our own NWA newsletter Editor, will present a powerpoint program detailing the making of a piece of furniture from "Design to Shine" as Wally says. Based on a Hall Table with Floating Top, this program will bring you through seeing how it all came together and to seeing the table shine before your eyes.

Bill McCormack will tell you everything you need to know to get started in the wonderful world of woodcarving. .

Celia Carpenter, the newsletter editor of the Adirondack Woodturners Association will show and tell you how to make spindles for your next woodworking project. Celia made most of the spindles in the solid cherry cradle made by the Woodies at Jim Kennedy's shop. The cradle will be auctioned at the Family Nite Auction in December. If you have a woodworking project that needs spindles, here is where you learn to do the job. Don't miss Celia in action on the lathe.

Donna Phillips of the scrollers group will show us the secrets of scrolling and scrollsaws. Don't "fret" over this, Donna promises to make everything easy.

Following the presentations, everyone is invited to gather with the presenters to look at their displays and to ask questions.

Annual Lumber and Tool Auction

- Charlie Goddard

The auction is scheduled for September 15 at the Shaker Barn near the Meetinghouse where most of our regular meetings are held. The doors will open at noon for inspection and the auction will begin at 1 PM.

We have quite a bit of lumber stored in the barn. In addition to the American chestnut which I have mentioned previously, there will be aspen, ash, cherry, cherry burls, basswood, curly and birdseye maple, walnut chunks and a few exotics. For tools there will be many power tools -- table saw, jointer, chop saw, dust collectors, band saw, drill press, sanders, hand drill, router, small compressor, etc. All are in very good condition.

Do plan to attend. This will be a rare chance to buy some chestnut. This is not resawn barn timbers. This lumber came off the mill in 1908 and has been stored ever since

I'm still looking for help to set up the auction starting on Wednesday prior to auction day. This entails placing the lumber in small piles, estimating the number of boardfeet in each pile, bringing out the tools from storage, putting labels on each item or lumber pile and making the barn ready for the auction. Please let me know if you can help.

Monthly NWA Presentation Previews

Talk about some exciting NWA meeting topics! Make sure you get these on your calendars and bring your note pads.

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While most of the above are in place changes are always possible and let's not forget Showcase next April!

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NWA Woodworking Classes at the Stillwater Shop

For more information about any of these classes see: http://woodworkerorg.blogspot.com/

Beginning Woodworking

Ed VanWormer Monday, September 10, 17 & 24 6 PM to 9 PM Cost \$50 plus materials

 $\textbf{Power Tool Fundamentals: The Jointer} \ (\text{adjustment \& operation for truing lumber})$

Allen Craft

Tuesday, Sept. 18 from 1 PM to 4 PM

NOTE: An additional evening session will be added if there is sufficient interest.

If evenings better suits your schedule, drop us a line.

Cost: \$20

Build a Blanket Chest

Ed VanWormer Monday, October 22 & 29, and Nov 5 & 19 6 PM to 9 PM Cost \$60 plus materials

Power Tool Fundamentals: The Band Saw

Allen Craft

Tuesday, October 23 from 1 PM to 4 PM

NOTE: An additional evening session will be added if there is sufficient interest.

If evenings better suits your schedule, drop us a line.

Cost: \$20

To register contact Gerry O'Brien at: go12211@yahoo.com (518)459-9266

Membership Renewal Time

- Susan Howe

With September comes our annual membership renewal. Our calendar year runs September 1 to August 31 of the following year. Dues are \$25.00 for single membership and \$30.00 for a family membership.

You should have already received a renewal letter with your information inserted. After checking for accuracy and making changes that you want for the coming year, write out that check, tear off the data portion of the letter and send it on to NWA, P.O Box 246, Rexford, NY 12148.

Any questions or concerns you can reach me at showe@nycap.rr.com or 518-885-9331

We are all looking forward to another great year with NWA. 📣

SHOWCASE 2008

Saturday and Sunday • April 5 and 6, 2008

Only 8 Months to go!

Planning for SHOWCASE 2008 has begun! Looking for someone to chair the Feature Exhibit Position Contact Ken Evans 518 753 7758

Meet "Toy Maker Bob" Honeyman

- David Mobley

Bob Honeyman may not be one of the first members of NWA, but he comes

closer than all but four other current members. Bob was present at what's reckoned to be NWA's second meeting in the formative stages of the organization in 1991.

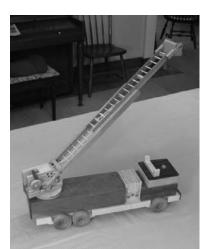
Spend any time with Bob and you'll learn that he's both comfortable with vintage tools and readily embraces new technology. On the one hand, he still has the lathe in his shop that he used as a teenager back in the 30's - complete with the knife blade electrical switch and leather belts between drive pulleys. On the other hand, he drives a hybrid-engine Prius, "because of the cost of gasoline", and takes part in an internet users group for ShopSmith owners.

Bob got an early start in woodworking, building model airplanes and ships as a boy. One of his ship models, a wonderfully detailed replica of the Cutty Sark, won him an award in 1938 when he was 16. He used that vintage lathe to turn the minute rigging pieces.

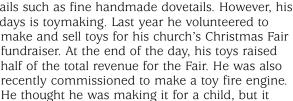
After serving in the Air Force in WW II, Bob earned a degree in Metallurgical Engineering. He retired from the Atomic Power Lab in Niskayuna after 29 years there. He doesn't claim any connection between his career and woodworking, but his engineering background seems evident in the crisp mechanical drawings he makes for his projects.

Bob's tidy and well-equipped shop takes up most of the basement of his Niskayuna home. His equipment includes two ShopSmiths – the original ER model that he uses primarily as a lathe, and a more recent 500 series model that has an assortment of attachments for sawing, sanding, planing, and even scrollsawing. Bob literally knows this tool inside out, having torn it down for multiple repairs and maintenance.

Bob has completed a variety of woodworking projects over the years, including a cherry chest of drawers with details such as fine handmade dovetails. However, his main woodworking interest these days is toymaking. Last year he volunteered to



A fire engine that Bob recently built



turned out to be a gift for a local fire chief.

Because of family commitments, Bob wasn't very active in NWA in the early years, but woodworking is his "main occupation" these days. He's a regular at "Jim's Hole in the Woods Gang" SIG on Saturdays, often making projects for the Double H Ranch campers. He's helped at Showcase for several years and in the NWA education courses. He recently started a series on jigs and fixtures in the Woodworkers News. In typically modest fashion he writes under a pen name - "Toy Maker Bob". (Oops! Did I let out a secret?)

Bob is one of our NWA members with a long lifetime of skills and experience to draw on. He's a regular at meetings, so say hello the next time

you see him. A friendly but unpretentious man, you may have to seek him out - but it's worth it. \triangle



Bob Honeyman shows off a current toy project at his workbench



Model of the Cutty Sark that Bob built as a teenager

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NWA maintains two websites, the first noted here operates continuously. We also offer selected links to other sites of interest to our membership. Webmaster - Justin Rohrer rohrej@woodworker.org

The second site operates from January 1 to May 30 and carries specific information about SHOWCASE.



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Adirondack Woodturners Association Monthly News

- Celia Carpenter

From the Desk of the Librarian

Betty Andrews would like your suggestions on any books, DVDs or tapes that you might like to have for the library. As our librarian she receives lists of possibilities from vendors but would like your impute before purchasing. Remember any member may borrow books, DVDs and tapes for \$1.00 per month. Magazines are 2 for \$1.00.

County Fair Turnings

By the time this goes to press all the events would have passed. I am sure that Bud, Louie and Ken would like to state their appreciation for the volunteers that made this a success. We should also thank them for their efforts. Thanks everyone. Also, keep this in mind for next year.

Instant Gallery

Again, another impressive exhibition this month. If you are a beginner it is important to bring in your work. I have found that when I have felt brave enough to do so that I have benefited by the encouragement. Everyone started out the same way, remember?

August's Demonstration

This month we had a demonstration by Bill Tyler. The subject was turning a shop mallet. I have found that they are the best tool for setting the wood for spindle work. I also have just recently priced several made in Sweden that was nice but very expensive.

Bill's choice of wood was laminated beech but any hard wood like maple, oak or cherry would work too. The tools that he used were the roughing gouge, a scraper and a spindle gouge. Bill preferred using the scraper but a skew would work too. Any time that one can practice with your skew you should do it.

You should remember that you do not want the mallet to stray on your work bench so making it with a flat top is key. I made my first ones to be beautiful and when I can find them (because they have rolled off the table) they work well.

The club thanks Bill for his time and expertise.

September's Demonstration

Don Orr will demonstrate basic bowl turning. He has done this for the symposiums and along with his demo on turning a weed pot is what got me hooked. He asks that if you want to view closely (and he encourages you to do so) that you wear eye protection.

Membership

At each meeting Mariruth will be passing a clipboard with names and addresses. Please check yours for accuracy. She is attempting to correct all errors making sure that all members receive the meeting notices and can be contacted either by email or telephone. Thank you, Mariruth, for your efforts.

Wednesdays at Stillwater

As most of you know we have curtailed the activities at Stillwater on Wednesdays for the summer but the opportunity for all members to receive incredible help will return this September. We are grateful for Louie, George and Ken who come every Wednesday to be our mentors.

Please take advantage of the time and the talent. I know that I am. It is also a great opportunity to have Ken help you sharpen your tools. He is an expert at this vital element of turning and will teach you his technique.

Sacandaga Chapter News

- Gary Spencer

The Sacandaga Chapter of the Northeastern Woodworkers Association last met on May 9th, this meeting was our last before taking a summer hiatus until our September, 12th meeting.

Our officers for the new season will have Cliff Danke and Carl Siegel serving as our Co-Presidents. Don Shanahan and Joe Artikuski will share Secretarial and Newsletter duties. The Treasurer position will be filled by Arnold Jaffee, while Mike Kratky will continue with the NWA Representative duties. Gary Spencer will continue with Chapter Liason activities.

The September 12th program is scheduled to feature Tom Osborne. His Topic will be on "Stool Making". If you missed his NWA presentation in April, now is a second chance to see and hear an outstanding woodworker and expert furniture maker demonstrating his expertise! What a way to kick off our Chapter programs for the season.

Coming up on October 10th look for Paul Petrie another outstanding NWA member to do a fantastic program on wood-turning. Topic will be in next Newsletter.

Our regular monthly meetings are the second Wednesday of each month and begin at 7:00 P.M. at Mayfield High School woodshop. Our next regular meeting will be September 12, 2007. Come on out!

Wood of the Month ©2007

- Ron DeWitt

Fraser Fir (Abies fraseri) (Pursh.) Poir A Coniferous Softwood Pinaceae - Pine Family

There are about 40 recognized species of true firs worldwide; nine are native to the U.S., five to Mexico, one to Europe and 25 to Eurasia. All are found in cooler parts of the Northern Temperate Zone, mostly denizens of the uplands.

Fraser fir (*Abies fraseri*) may also be called eastern fir, southern fir, southern balsam fir, she-balsam or balsam. It

is very similar to and the southern counterpart of its close cousin and the probably better known balsam fir (Abies balsamea), with which it sometimes incestuously hybridizes. Its native habitat, established by glaciation, is quite small and disjointed, restricted to the higher elevations of the southern Appalachian Mountains of south-



western Virginia, western North Carolina and eastern Tennessee in the U.S. This range has been greatly expanded by planting for reforestation projects and commercial Christmas tree plantations.

Fraser fir does best in cold moist climates with temperatures ranging from 60 deg. F (160 deg. C) in summer to 28 deg. F (-2 deg. C) in winter with four to five months below freezing and an annual rainfall of 75 to 100 in. (190 to 254 cm). In less than ideal conditions it doesn't seem to survive temperatures lower than -20 deg. F (-29 deg. C). This tree typically favors rich, very acidic, well-drained, shallow mineral soils, often over bedrock. Once established it develops a deep bed of moss and peat and serves as an excellent watershed protector. It is equally content in full sun or shade.

In its native woodlands, when not found in dense, pure stands, it usually associates with red spruce. It may also be in combination with yellow birch, eastern hemlock, yellow buckeye, and/or sugar maple.

Fraser fir is considered a small- to medium-size tree, occasionally to 80 ft. (24 m) and 24 in. (61 cm) dbh, but more typically 50 to 60 ft. (15 to 18 m) and 12 in. (30 cm) dbh. Life expectancy is about 150 years. In its undisturbed native areas Fraser fir may only grow 2 to 3 ft. (0.6 to 0.9 m) in 20 years. Under ideal conditions it can reach 6 ft. (1.8 m) in seven years. *The National Register of Big Trees* has reported a tree at 89 ft. (27 m) and 4 ft. (1.2 m) dbh in Highlands, N.C., U.S.A.

It's a handsome tree with a single straight stem, neat conical shape and pointed spiral crown. The horizontal branches are dense on young trees, becoming more open as they age. The soft flexible leaves of this tree are flattened needles, 0.5 to 1 in. (1.2 to 2.5 cm) long, bluntly

rounded and lightly notched on their smooth ends. Needles are shiny dark green on top, pale below because of two broad bands of silvery white stomata underneath. A needle cross section reveals a resin duct on each side of the prominent mid-rib.

Needles are arranged spirally around the slender hairy twigs. The needles are twisted at the base, appearing to spread outward in two opposing rows. Needles are stalkless, tapered then flared to a rounded base at the pont of attachment. They separate from twigs and branches in 20 years or so leaving smooth bark surfaces. On the lead shoot and upper twigs, the needles are stiffer and more pointed, crowded with the appearance of having been brushed upward. The tree, its foliage and fresh-cut wood have a very pleasant sweet-turpentine scent.

Dark, rich purple seed cones develop in the crown of the tree. Mature cones are upright, cylindrical or barrel-shaped, 2.5 in. (6.4 cm) long and 1.0 in. (2.5 cm) in diameter, and quite resinous. Cone scales are wide and prominent; bracts extend above then fold down over the scales. The cones disintegrate at the end of their first year leaving the persistent cone axes in place. Fir cones are never found on the ground.

Bark of the Fraser fir is brown to gray, thin and smooth with many resin blisters in its early years. Resin can be obtained by slicing (milking) the blisters, thus the name "she-balsam." Its frequent associate, the red spruce, does not have resin blisters so is called "he-balsam." Bark darkens, becoming scaly and moss-covered with age.

Wood of Fraser fir is uniformly coarse-grained with a moderate texture. It is considered a lightweight; sp. gr. 0.36 or about 25 pcf (401 kg/m3) at 12% M.C., similar to eastern white pine but lighter, softer, weaker than spruce. Sapwood is white and heartwood is light tan. Transition from earlywood to latewood is very gradual, but growth rings are distinct. Dry wood has no distinct odor and is not resinous but may have a slightly salty taste. Wood of the true firs cannot be separated on the basis of general characteristics or even with a hand lens. Typical of the firs, this species has no resin canals or ray tracheids. Rays are not distinct to the naked eye.

Wood of Fraser fir dries quickly with moderate shrink and little check or warp. It works quite well with sharp hand or power tools, but has a tendency to leave a fuzzy surface when routing or planing. It takes fasteners and glues easily, stains well with a pre-seal and takes most finishes nicely after knots are sealed. It is not durable.

There is no reported toxicity related to Fraser fir, but the usual dust precautions should be observed.

The resin of this tree contains an essential oil and has also been collected to produce turpentine. Bark, leaves and twigs have been used for various herbal remedies in poultices, liniment, teas and mixed with water, glycerine or alcohol to treat kidney, bladder or urinary difficulties, fever, bronchitis, rheumatism, sore muscles and "sluggish skin action." The high-quality resin has the same refractive index as glass. As with the more plentiful balsam fir, resin was also used in mounting microscope slides and as an adhesive in distortion-free lens systems.

This tree is not cut for specific applications. Because of the absence of resin in the wood, Fraser fir was used for

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dry cooperage, sugar and butter tubs and cheese boxes. Large old-growth trees were used for construction lumber, boxes, crates, siding, molding, veneer and trim. Much of it went for pulpwood. Today it is cut coincidently with the larger red spruce and used for construction lumber under

the general category "SPF," spruce, pine, fir. The largest market for Fraser fir is for Christmas trees, grown in large plantations for this purpose. These trees have the traditional shape, dense branches, good color, a very pleasant scent and



needles without prickles that remain on the tree long after it is cut. They represent a large share of the 40 million Christmas trees used in the U.S. annually. For the same reasons it is a popular ornamental.

Fraser fir is at a crisis stage. It is under attack from an insect unintentionally introduced from Europe about 1900. The balsam woolly adelgid may infest any of the true firs, some with more serious consequences than others. This tiny insect (the size of a period on this page), covered in fine white wool, draws fluid from the tree while injecting toxins, killing or weakening it for a fatal secondary attack over a period of about two years. First noted in Fraser fir in 1957, it has since spread to all natural areas of this fir. Typical of other stands, about 95 percent of the Fraser firs in The Great Smoky Mountains have been killed. In Tennessee the death rate is about 90 percent and the species has been added to the endangered list. Chemical treatment, although effective, has been impractical because of the large areas involved. Natural regeneration is beginning to produce new trees but their survival is in question. The future of Fraser fir in natural stands is "extremely uncertain."

Wood Definition

- Ron DeWitt

Dressed Lumber - Lumber surfaced on one or more sides by a plane or planer

Wood Questions

Q. How did the serviceberry tree get its name?



A. The serviceberry or shadbush (Amelanchier arborea) was the first tree in the northeast to blossom in the spring. This was a sign the frost was out of the ground, graves could be dug again and burial services could be held for the winter's dead. (Shadbush may have come form the idea that the tree's blossoms also announced form the spring spawning run of shad fish.)

Evans'isms

George, an older gentleman woodworker, feared his wife, Sally, was getting hard of hearing.

So one day George called her doctor to make an appointment to have her hearing checked. The Doctor made an appointment for a hearing test in two weeks, and said that meanwhile there's a simple informal test the husband could do to give the doctor some idea of the state of her problem.

Here's what you do, said the Doctor, "Start out about 40 feet away from her, and in a normal conversational speaking tone see if she hears you. If not, go to 30 feet, then 20 feet, and so on until you get a response."

That evening, the wife is in the kitchen cooking dinner, and he's in the living room. He thinks to himself that he is about 40 feet away. "Let's see what happens," he mutters.

Then in a normal tone he asks, "Honey, what's for supper?" No response. So George moves to the other end of the room, about 30 feet from Sally and repeats, "Honey, what's for supper?"

Still no response.

Next he moves into the dining room where he is about 20 feet from Sally and asks, "Honey, what's for supper?"

Again he gets no response.

So he walks up to the kitchen door, only 10 feet away. "Honey, what's for supper?"

Again there is no response. So he walks right up behind her. "Honey, what's for supper?"

She replies, "For Gosh sake, George! For the FIFTH TIME. CHICKEN!"

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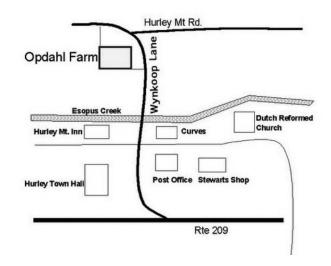
John Sullivan, Kipp Mountain Tree Farm, Chestertown: 518-494-3292

NWA Mid Hudson Picnic

- Wally Cook

Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 8 from noon to 4 PM. It's time for the NWA Mid-Hudson Chapter Picnic. Once again, Chefs Benkert and Reynolds will serve homemade sausage. Chef Bob Doran will channel Bobby Flay during hot dog preparation. Bring items for the raffle and don't forget your lawn chair!

The picnic will be held at the Opdahl Farm in Hurley – directions at right:

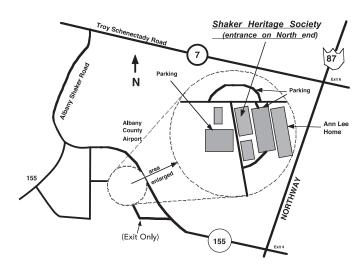


Showcase 07 Midhudson's Unsung Heroes



Opportunities are often things you haven't noticed the first time around.

Catherine Deneuve



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Adirondack Woodturners Association - The AWA is

active throughout the year. Meetings are every first Wednesday of the month (except in January and July when it is the second Wednesday), and are held at the Curtis Lumber conference room on Route 67, Ballston Spa. Beginners' sessions begin at 6 pm; the main program at 6:30 pm. Saturday "Learn and Turn" sessions are also scheduled. www.adirondackwoodturners.org

Contact Ken Evans, 753-7759 or Kevans1@nycap.rr.com

Carver's Guild - meets every Friday at the Clifton Park Senior Center from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Sessions are intended for every NWA member who is interested in carving, from beginners to those wanting to learn a new technique. No reservations are necessary, just show up! Contact Bill McCormack, 233-7260.

Scroller's Guild - Meets on the third Wednesday of the month at The School at Northeast, 1821 Hamburg St., Schenectady. A beginner's session starts at 6:30 PM followed by a general meeting at 7:00 PM. Contact: Donna Phillips, (518) 372-3337 or dlphill@nycap.rr.com.

<u>Kaatskill Woodturners</u> - Meets the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Opdahl property in Hurley. Contact George Norton, (845) 331-1705.

Jim's "Hole in the Woods Gang"

Meets every Saturday, from 9:00 am until noon at Jim Kennedy's shop at 86 Guideboard Rd., in Halfmoon. (just 1 mile east of the Halfmoon Diner on Rt. 9). Our general purpose is public service work for various charitable organizations, including the Double H Hole in the Woods camp for children. We strive to foster a learning environment for our members through the projects we work on and the informal training/learning sessions given by and for our members. Sharing fellowship and relating experiences are a major part of our sessions, as we do accomplish many tasks during our times together as well.

Contact Dick Flanders, (518) 393-5215 (rflander@nycap.rr.com) or Darrell Welch, (518) 477-8431 (ydwelch@taconic.net) for more information.

CHAPTERS

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NWA Sacandaga - The chapter meets at 7 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month at Mayfield High School in the woodworking shop. Park by the section of the building that protrudes further into the parking lot and enter the nearest of the (5) doors. Contact Gary Spencer, 863-6433.