

# WOODWORKERS NEWS



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Woodworkers  
Association

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## Save the Date

## NWA Annual Lumber & Tool Auction September 16, 2023

Your dedicated NWA Auction Committee reminds you that

**The Lumber & Tool Auction is ONE month away.**

The event will be held at The Shaker Museum Barn, 820 Heritage Ln., Colonie, NY 12205.

All NWA members and the general public are welcome to attend.

**NOTE:** Donations are now being accepted through Thursday September 14, 2023.

Pick up can be arranged by contacting Lee Hilt at 518-698-3751, or, [nwaauction1@gmail.com](mailto:nwaauction1@gmail.com).

Volunteers will be needed for the dates and activities listed below.

Sign-ups will be addressed in early September.

### Wednesday September 13 – Friday September 15, 2023, 9:00am – Noon:

#### **Setting up the Barn:**

- Retrieve tables from the meeting house and set them up at the barn.
- Move items from storage to main auction floor.
- Identify, Stack, Measure, Label Lumber
- Smaller items placed on tables
- Set up PA system
- Set-up Tables and chairs for Administrative Area

### Auction Saturday September 16, 2023:

- Doors open 10:00am
- **Auction Noon - 4:00pm:**
- **On Auction Floor:** Need 4 to 5 to help hold up items, record sales, handle labels for auctioneer, mark the buyer's number on the remaining tag, etc.
- **Administrative at Cashier Table:**
  - Two people at the sign-in table to give out number cards, record sales and collect money.

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# Midwest Tool Collectors Swap Meet

*By Preston Sweeney*

To help draw attendance to the NWA Lumber and Tool Sale, the Midwest Tool Collectors Association will be setting up a Swap Meet for antique tools in the Shaker Meeting House. Tailgating can be set up in the parking lot, along with tables in the meeting house. This event is a collaboration of the Shaker Heritage Society (our hosts), the Northeastern Woodworkers, and the Midwest Tool Collectors. By elevating the NWA Auction to a community event, we anticipate a much greater attendance which will benefit all involved.

The Swap meet will be held from 8am to 2pm on Sept. 16. Please bring a friend.

To register to participate in the swap meet, please contact me at [psweene9@gmail.com](mailto:psweene9@gmail.com)



*Photo: Midwest Tool Collectors*

# Berkshire Woodworkers Show

*By Steve Schoenberg*

The Berkshire Woodworkers Guild are our next-door neighbors. They are a group of about 65 woodworkers – both hobbyists and professionals – very much like us. And, they have invited us to participate in their Woodworkers Show. They will be holding their event in the beautiful Berkshire Botanical Gardens, just across the state line in Stockbridge, MA, on Saturday and Sunday of Labor Day weekend, September 2nd and 3rd.



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There will be a display of high-end woodworking creations and a chance to meet and talk to the craftsman that created them. Of course, there will be demonstrations and things of interest to all of us woodworkers. My wife is planning to join me, and we will be bringing our cameras because that will be our first visit to the Botanical Gardens.

### Call for Silent Auction Items

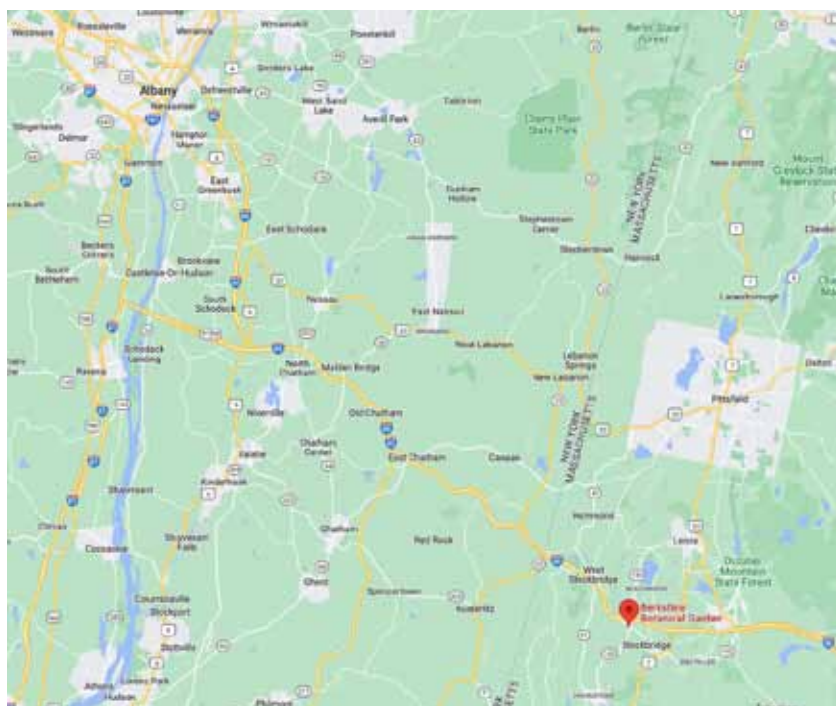
Very much like our Fiske Fund, the Berkshire Woodworkers granted \$16,000 in scholarships last year to aspiring woodworkers enrolled in formal programs aimed at becoming professional woodworkers. They raised all of this money with their silent auction at last year's event. We have items already donated by NWA members to bring to them. Please help us cement our friendship with our Berkshire neighbors and help provide scholarships by donating a handcrafted item that you have created. Please contact Steve Schoenberg if you have something to contribute. [nwashop97@gmail.com](mailto:nwashop97@gmail.com)

### Call for volunteers

Very much like our Showcase, this small woodworking club could use a few of our members to volunteer for a few hours at their show. (I will be parking cars.) Free admission to the show will be granted to any NWA member who volunteers. This is another way you can help us forge a friendship with our neighboring club. Contact Kristen Kanter if you can spare a bit of time. [jkcustomfurniture@gmail.com](mailto:jkcustomfurniture@gmail.com)

### Getting to the Botanical Garden

It's only a 45-minute drive from the NWA's Railroad Avenue shop. A map showing the location, only 7 miles from Exit B3 (last exit off Route 90 in New York) is provided here. Just put the address of the Botanical Garden into your navigator: 5 West Stockbridge Rd., Stockbridge, MA



This special Summer newsletter comes ahead of our planned September issue due to a number of time-sensitive announcements highlighted by our leadership. We hope you're all enjoying your Summer and look forward to receiving your content submissions for the September issue. Kindly send submissions by Sept. 1.

Best,  
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## SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

### **SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS (SIGs):** Please note meetings will commence at our new location at 97 Railroad Avenue.

**Adirondack Woodturners Association (AWA)** - The AWA is active throughout the year. **General** Meetings and Bowl Turning are held the first Wednesday of the month (except in January and July when it is the second Wednesday), at the NWA Learning Center located at 97 Railroad Avenue, Colonie, NY from 5:30 PM to 8:45 PM. **Contact:** Steve Vanderzee, 518-727-6511 or stevevdz@msn.com

**Spindle and Pen Turners** - Meets Mondays 5:30 PM - 8:45 PM. Contact: Pam Bucci at 518-429-6440 or woolglass2@gmail.com Wednesday "Learn and Turn" sessions occur on all other Wednesdays at the NWA Learning Center. These sessions run 5:30 PM to 8:45 PM. www.adirondackwoodturners.com **Contact:** Pam Bucci at 518-429-6440 or woolglass2@gmail.com

**Kaatskill Woodturners** - Also an AAW Chapter. Meets on the second Saturday of the month at the Hurley Reformed Church, 11 Main St. Hurley, NY 12443. Contact Wally Cook at 845-338-2193 or wally.cook@gmail.com.

**NWA Crafters** - Meet Tuesdays and Saturdays 9:00 AM to noon. They provide public service woodworking for various charitable organizations, including the Double H Hole in the Woods camp for children and the GE Toy Modifications Group, and the Make A Wish Foundation. Sharing information, fellowship, and relating experiences are a major part of these sessions. **Contact:** Wayne Distin at 518-674-4171 or wdistin@nycap.rr.com for more information.

**The NWA Wood Carvers SIG** - Meet Thursdays 5:00-8:30 PM all year at the NWA Learning Center located at 97 Railroad Avenue, Colonie, NY. The goal is to promote the art of wood carving and to have a good time doing it. The only prerequisite is a desire to carve while making new friends. Wood, tools, and patterns are available. **Contact:** Diane Balch at 518-885-9899 or dbalch1@nycap.rr.com

**Hand Tool SIG** - Meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00-9:00 PM in the Herm Finkbeiner Education Center at 97 Railroad Avenue, Colonie, NY. **Contact:** Dave Parkis at 518-429-6581 for further details: dparkis@nycap.rr.com

**Scrollers SIG** - Meets every Monday and Wednesday 6 to 8:30 PM. **Contact:** Steve VanDerZee stevevdz@msn.com

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**NWA Mid-Hudson** - Presently The chapter meets on Zoom and at in-person meetings on the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM except the month of July. Meetings are at the Hudson River Maritime Museum located at 50 Rondout Landing, Kingston NY 12401. **Contact:** midhudsonwoodworkers.org Bill Sterling, President - 845-532-3754 wster1156@aol.com