



September, 2010

NEWSLETTER

The goal of the Maine Woodworkers Association is to bring all aspects of woodworking closer to its members and to educate everyone seeking knowledge from woodworkers in Maine. Meetings are times of friendship and learning, where everyone is welcome to share ideas, camaraderie, and of course, coffee.



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*(Almost) all programs begin at 7:00 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month
(Note general time change to 7:00)*

Fall Program Schedule

Wednesday, September 1st

6:00 PM @ Rockler Woodworking in So. Portland

Joint meeting with Southern Maine Woodturners and ME Woodworker's Assoc.

Saturday, October 16 Andy Abello, Wind Ridge Farm Woodworking, Edgecomb

Wednesday, Nov 10 TBD

Wednesday, Dec 8 Holiday Social Event

Workshop Schedule

In an effort to offer more content than just monthly meetings, the MWA Executive Committee has decided to offer some instructional and educational opportunities for the membership. In the planning stages:

Saturday, Nov 13, 8:00 – 4:00 Veneering workshop with Daryl Keil, maker of vacuum veneering presses and accomplished woodworker.
Place and fee to be announced.

Jan/Feb 2011 Spray finishing with M.L. Campbell and Atlantic Plywood.
Place and fee to be announced.

(Participation in any workshops requires that your dues are fully paid.)

September Meeting

September 1st at 6:00 PM @ Rockler Woodworking in So. Portland

Joint meeting with Southern Maine Woodturners and Maine Woodworker's Assoc.

Bill Diffenderfer, Program Chair for the MWA (www.mainewoodworkers.org), has arranged this joint meeting through Damon Harmon, President for the So. Maine Woodturners (<http://somewoodturner.org>)

Per Damon:

We meet on the first Wednesday of the month, September thru June. No meetings in July or August. We start arriving around 6PM, the meeting starts at 6:30. This gives time for people to get a name tag for themselves, buy raffle tickets, and assemble anything they have brought for the "Show & Tell" table. We usually finish about 8:30. The store closes at 6PM, but Molly keeps it open for our meeting this one night a month.

Note to MWA members:

Damon encourages MWA members to bring something that they have turned, and put them on the "Show & Tell" table.

Also, please bring some treats to offset our added attendance!

Let's all go and be outgoing and interactive with the So. Maine Woodturners club. This is our chance to do some positive PR and build bridges with this vibrant group. Our association and theirs could do a great deal of good for the craft should we pool our resources occasionally.

June, 2010

Maine Woodworkers Association Annual Meeting & Vendor Fair

Lots of good food, a room full of vendors and the good humor of late spring woodworkers combined to create one of the best attended Association meetings in some time.

The meeting was held on Wednesday, June 9th at the North Yarmouth Congregational Church and proved to be an ideal venue for the event. There was ample room for vendors, food tables, and displays, yet highly conducive to good conversation and fellowship.

On hand with displays and demonstrations were The Woodturning School, Rockler Woodworking & Hardware, Advantage Gas, CW Hayden, Vacuum Pressing Systems, Fine Woodworking, The Gentleman Cabinetmaker CAD Design and Festool. "This is just the beginning!" said Association President Randy Blake, "We would like to grow this event and include the general public in the future."

In addition to the commercial displays, there was space devoted to members work. It is always so rewarding to see examples of the various projects our members are working on.

During the course of the evening, the Association raffled off the various door prizes provided by vendors. Karen Schilling, spouse and boss of Rich Schilling [only in her mind-ed.], was a delight as she managed sign-ins, raffle tickets and provided direction to our somewhat loose and organizationally challenged steering committee.

Many thanks go out to the individuals in our club that made the evening such a success! Stay tuned for updates on next years Annual Meeting and Vendor Fair!

Bill Diffenderfer

Meeting Format

We have decided to change our meeting format to better allow for socializing and accommodating our guest of the month. The standard Wednesday night meeting will follow this format:

Social time, raffles, etc.	7:00-7:30
Club admin, member intros	7:30-7:45
Show and Tell	7:45-8:00
Guest Speaker/Presentation	8:00-9:00

Membership Notes

The Executive Committee has decided to change to a calendar year membership starting in January, 2011. If you have paid your dues on or after July 1, 2010, then you are good for 2011. Otherwise, dues will be due by January 2011, you will be good for 2011, and everyone will renew on the next January. This will significantly reduce membership administration.

All members whose membership has expired will be notified shortly in a separate e-mail/ mailing with payment instructions. We are also raising dues from \$20 to \$25 in order to allow us to provide more club events, speakers, and content. We will continue to send out newsletters to expired memberships until January 2011.

We also want to publish, in January, the membership directory to the MWA website to allow for better networking, communication, and membership interests (i.e. period furniture, Windsor chairs, etc. If you DO NOT want your personal info listed on the web site, please send an e-mail or note to carol@fatandys.com

For Sale

For Sale: Trailer and Craft Show Display Equipment.

Trailer, 4' x 8' enclosed, Car-Mate by Penn Style Campers, 1987, heavy duty model CM130H, very good condition, white aluminum exterior with brown trim, 13" wheels, single axle, new tires with spare, single rear door, completely rewired, rust proofed, \$1100. Trailer interior is set up for quick loading/unloading of displays and Pro Panels listed below, plus a canopy and more.

Pro Panels, 30" x 6', eleven panels with built in shelf standards, light gray, excellent condition, one long and two short banner bars, seven stiffeners, three shelves 8" x 30", all for \$1000.

Display/inventory carts, custom built (angle iron and expanded metal with 4" casters), plywood tops with fold down leaves, custom made fitted blue/green upholstery material covers, one at 44.5" L x 36.5" H x 30" D with leaf up, two others 48" long fit together for one 8' display. Carts are about 15.5" deep with leafs down. Four interior shelves hold inventory at show or in transit. \$50 for the single cart, \$100 for the double cart.

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Classified Ads, Pictures of Recent Work, News Events, Etc.

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Membership form for Maine Woodworkers Association

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Member information (woodworking specialty, interests, web site, etc. Up to 125 characters, for inclusion in member roster:

There are 8 – 9 meetings per year in a wide variety of woodworking shops. Annual dues are \$25.00. Please send payment to Maine Woodworkers Association, P.O. Box 425, Cumberland, Maine 04021.

