

ShopTalk

Greenville Woodworkers Guild



December 2015

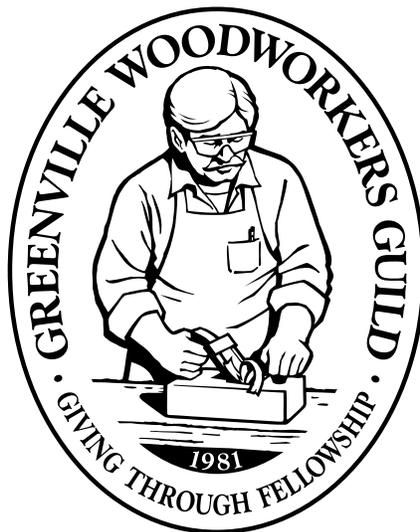
Annual Christmas Dinner December 7

This year the Guild's toy makers made more than 600 toys, which have been given to charitable entities, including the Meyer Center, Greenville Children's Hospital, Ronald McDonald House, and other local organizations.



**The program for
December 7th will be a special
members show and tell.**

We will have a special Show & Tell at our Christmas Dinner on December 7, just like last year. Bring projects you have recently made and let our spouses see your handiwork and tell them all about your projects. We will have tables set up in the auditorium to display your items on. These should be set up by 6:00 pm, prior to dinner.



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T H E P R E S I D E N T S C O R N E R

I trust that everyone had a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving. Now Christmas is approaching, and with it a more hurried pace to get all those special gifts made, shopping trips done with the spouse, decorations completed and preparations for family visits and perhaps travel. Be ever mindful of safety first in all that you will do, for yourself and all those around you. Watch out for those extra extension cords, burning candles, tripping hazards, highway travel and other hazards that may befall us during this hectic season. It's hard to do wood working when you are healing from an accident! So please be vigilant in all that you do.

As this year rapidly draws to a close, let's take a few moments to reflect back over the past year. We have had some really interesting programs at meetings where we learned to do new things or improve our skills (John Leake; Mark Barr; Gary Morris; Michael McDunn; and others). A new spray booth for finishing projects was added. The entire roof has been repaired. Hundreds of toys were made and distributed for area children. Many charitable projects (Children's Hospital, Veteran's Urns; Child's Haven; Generations Home; etc.) were completed and others begun. Youth activity has been at the highest level ever. New leader-

ship is in place including wood procurement. Work continues on the grounds and with the building to keep a clean, modern and well maintained campus. All of these things we can be proud of and thankful for, especially our hard working volunteer members that make all these things happen.

Now let's look ahead. We have three outstanding programs lined up beginning with the noted woodworker and author Glen Huey in January; Veritas Tools in February; and a renowned turner, Joe Ruminski in March. You don't want to miss any of these programs! The "Sawmill Picnic" with Phillip Dean and his Woodmiser will happen in June. Additional seminars, and perhaps a travel opportunity will occur later in the year. Also, look for even better selections in the lumber room, improvements to member storage, potholes repaired (weather permitting), and many opportunities with charitable projects. 2016 looks more promising than ever for our Guild.

I hope you can attend our Christmas Dinner on December 7. This will be a special event, with new tables and chairs, Marty the Magician, gifts for all spouses, and blessings and reflections on a "Job well done" for 2015! Merry Christmas!!!

SCETV interviews John Broach, director of GWG toy program.



John Broach, Director of the GWG Toy Program for the past two years, being interviewed for an upcoming SCETV program scheduled to be aired about December 10. Information on the exact date of the program will be forwarded to all members as soon as the date is confirmed.



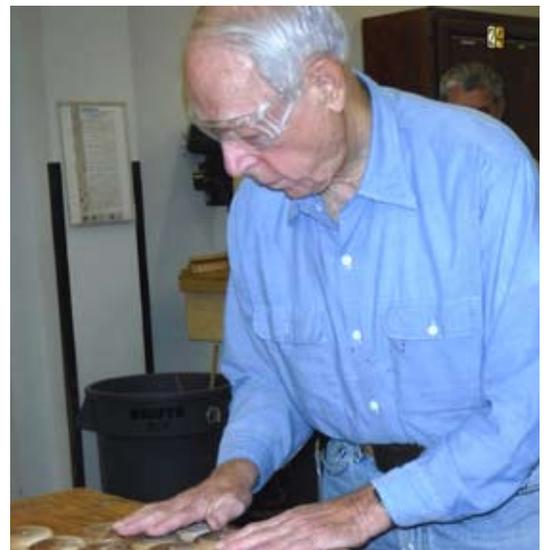
The 2015 Toy Program completed the construction and assembly phase this year in early November, with distribution to our recipient organizations to continue through Thanksgiving and beyond. This year's output totaled more than 600 individual toys, which will be shared among about a dozen charitable entities, including the Meyer Center, Greenville Children's Hospital, Ronald McDonald House, and other local organizations.

Our thanks go out for the dedication of those Guild members who sacrificed their Tuesday mornings starting in early March in order to make this effort a success. In addition, we would like to thank those members who were unable to meet with us on a regular basis, but worked on their own from home to build toys, often of their own design, to contribute to the total. Some of these were quite impressive, as the pictures will attest.

The success of the Toy Program depends upon the willingness of our members to work as a team throughout the year to bring a little happiness to those less fortunate than ourselves. We could never hope to reach all the children that we would like. So, please consider joining the effort when we kick off the 2016 Toy Program early in the year.

Thanks to all the people who make the toy program successful.

Shown below are just a few of the 30 people who gave there time to the toy program.



Fund Raising

The Board has approved a new method of fund raising for the Guild. With recent legislation, it is now legal to have drawings and raffles for non-profit organizations such as ours. Beginning at the January meeting, we will have a “fifty-fifty” drawing, with half the pot going to the winning ticket holder and half to the Guild. Tickets will be one dollar, or six for five dollars. We will no longer offer door prizes at general membership meetings. Joe Denny, VP-Fundraising, and Rob Barhorst, Executive VP, will handle this effort.

The raffle is expected to bring in several hundred dollars during the year, but we will still depend on generous donations from our members and the community. It is essential that you continue to make donations for shop items such as glue and other items, as well as

continued donations toward charitable projects, youth programming, maintenance, etc. We are a 501 (c)-3 non profit organization, and all donations are tax exempt

Wood Procurement News

The most frequently asked question is: why are two boards that look alike priced differently? The answer is the price on the board is based on the board feet we pay for when the supplier scales the wood. Since we buy in bulk, each board is scaled at one end. This causes two problems. First, after the first row is scaled he cannot see the entire board, so if the width is not consistent or the board is short it will not be taken into account. If we see it, we will correct any discrepancies as the boards are stored and the Guild absorbs the loss.

The second issue is the way boards are scaled. If one board is slightly over five inches wide and another almost six inches it gets scaled the same at six inches. Our suppliers are more reasonable than some with this interpretation. Also some vendors actually add 20% to the scale for shrinkage while ours do not.

The result is members are getting the best deal possible both in quantity and price.

The youth program is going well with 277 hours of instruction for the year.



Enjoy a clean shop thanks to our volunteers.





CHARITABLE PROJECTS / October 6 to November 2

	Hours
Miracle Hill (Cabinets)	72.5
Seiver MS (Rogotic Boxes)	6
Santa's Workshop (Toys)	181
Total	259.5

MENTORING CLASSES / August 4 to September 7

	Hours
Combined total hours for adult classes	617
Youth Classes	146

Support our associate members

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Bench and bowl
by Bill Lancaster



Oval Tray by
Barry Jones



Ornaments
by Ken Dunlap



Tenon Saw
by Tony Corey



Jewelry Box
by Karen Sheldon



Bandsaw Boats
by Chris Calvin



NEXT GUILD MEETING - CHRISTMAS DINNER AT 6:00PM - MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2015

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