

ShopTalk

Greenville Woodworkers Guild



July 2022



If you want to know everything about sandpaper, Chris Smith, a technician with Klingspor's Woodworking Shop, will tell it all at the July 11 Membership Meeting.

He will tell how sandpaper is made, what the different grits are made of, and what product is best for the job you are working on.

CHRIS WILL ALSO BE AT THE GUILD TUESDAY MORNING, JULY 12, AT 9 A.M. FOR A FREE LECTURE ON THE MAINTENANCE, SET UP AND USE OF WIDE BELT SANDERS

BIO

Chris Smith

Born and raised in the Hickory area of NC, Chris followed his grandfather around and found a passion for woodworking. So much so that he took it in school every year from middle school on. He's been woodworking since the late '80s and has built and installed cabinetry and furniture for cabinet shops, as well as owning his own custom cabinet and furniture business. Chris has worked in the abrasives industry since 2001 and has assisted customers from hobbyists to professionals during this time.

He managed the Hickory retail store for Klingspor's Woodworking Shop, which caters to woodworkers, for a number of years. He's also worked for Klingspor Abrasives as their woodworking technical specialist, focusing on woodworking abrasives, saw blades, and router bits. Chris is still doing his own woodworking on the side, but he's now back at Klingspor's Woodworking shop on the technical team, specializing in general woodworking, training, wide belts, CNC, and

making video content.

With an already established passion for woodworking, working with industrial CNC operators to dial in their bit selection and specs ignited a new passion for CNC. He now owns a small one (2'x4') and uses it frequently as a stand-alone tool, as well as integrates it into his traditional woodworking projects. Chris has also worked with many wide belt machine operators and companies to help adjust, dial-in, troubleshoot, test, and get the right abrasive combinations for their wide belt machines.

With decades of woodworking experience and years in the abrasives world, he's learned quite a few tips and tricks that he loves to share with others. From raw wood to finish, he's happy to help woodworkers better their craft. He likes to say, "No matter how long you've been making dust, you can always learn something new."

Chris is active on social media and has an avid following on YouTube where he creates wood-

working-related content under the name Christcross Crafts, offering product reviews, woodworking tips, jigs, CNC, and other woodworking-based videos to help others.



Joe Boyd
President



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

The Dog Days of Summer

All one needs to do is to drive up to the guild and notice that the parking lot is less full than normal. People are traveling, perhaps visiting family, and heading north to find respite from the oppressive heat. We are officially in the lull of the summer....or some may call it the “dog days” of summer.

According to National Geographic, “For many, the ‘dog days’ evoke those summer days that are so devastatingly hot that even dogs would lie around on the asphalt, panting. But originally, the phrase had nothing to do with dogs, or even with the lazy days of summer. Instead, the dog days refer to Sirius, the brightest star in the constellation Canis Major, which means ‘big dog’ in Latin and is said to represent one of Orion’s hunting dogs. To the Greeks and Romans, the ‘dog days’ occurred around the time Sirius appears to rise alongside the sun, in late July in the Northern Hemisphere. They believed the heat from the two

stars combined is what made these days the hottest of the year, a period that could bring fever or even catastrophe.” July 3 through August 11 will be the “dog days” for 2022. Regardless of the reason for the heat, it is definitely hot!

We were blessed with the pleasant and enjoyable weather during our Sawmill picnic event. The food, entertainment, fellowship, and the watermelon made for a perfect day. I hope you were able to attend and enjoy being with your fellow guild members. An enormous thank you is in order for all the volunteers that gave of themselves to ensure we had a wonderful time. And who knew that Buddy Turner could cut, slice, and serve so many watermelons? The man has some serious skills!

With the recent cleanup day at the shop producing a neat and orderly working environment, the seasonally slow period of shop users, and the wonderful air conditioning we have, it is a great time to begin a new project. If you find yourself between personal projects, I encourage you to look for

ways to give back to the guild and to further our guild’s charitable initiatives. The toy program is in full swing on Tuesday mornings and can always use some extra hands.

Please be reminded that our upcoming membership meeting will NOT be on the first Monday of July, as that is the July 4th holiday. We will push our meeting to the following Monday, July 11, at 6:30 PM. I look forward to welcoming you to the July 11 membership meeting and until then, enjoy your guild!

Joe Boyd

GWG volunteers making 15 bunk beds for Ukrainian refugees.

The photo below is of a prototype for the 15 beds our GWG team is going to make.

Jay Orders and partner Carter Mahaffee, owners of Engineered Sleep Mattress Co. are donating the mattresses.

Mary and Martha Services are coordinating the effort and Millard Trott's brother delivered the mattresses to M&M Services.



Jay Orders and partner Carter Mahaffee



Some of the team members left to right: David Trott, Millard Trott, Robert Tepper, Charlie LeGrand

G W G A C T I V I T Y R E P O R T

CHARITABLE PROJECTS / May 1 to May 31 , 2022

	Hours
Meyer Center	53
Bunk Beds for Ukrainian Refugees	75
Children's Theatre Podium	23
Member Sponsored Charitable Projects	13
Toys	516
Total.....	680

MENTORING CLASSES / May 1 to May 31 , 2022

	Hours
Combined Total Hours For Adult Classes	725
Youth Classes	71
Total.....	796

GWG member Jared Greene's article in August 2022 Popular Woodworking Magazine

Jared Greene

"Saws absolutely fascinate me!"

They are so much more than just a piece of jagged steel with a handle; there is an art and beauty to saws that cannot be found elsewhere." - Jared Greene

- 4 Jared's progressive pitch makes the saw easy to start, but cut quickly.
- 5 If you buy one of Jared's saws, he'll always hand sharpen it for just the cost of shipping.

Currently, Jared is making dovetail, carcass, sash, and tenon saws. His goal is to produce a premium yet affordable saw that can be tailor suited to each individual woodworker. Occasionally, Jared builds limited runs of saws that are based on the designs of early American saw makers.

Jared, as talented as he is, is also modest. He gives a majority of the credit to his wife, as she has been helping him since the beginning — both from a support standpoint, as well as a helping hand in the shop and administratively. Apart from building saws, Jared's passion has spilled over into collecting as well and he credits his mentor Mike Stemple, who is always eager to share his knowledge as Jared dives deeper into American saw makers.

If you're interested in seeing more of Jared's saws, you can find photos and ordering information on his website, jgreenesaws.com. PW



GWG New Members

- Spencer Beamer Greenville, SC
- Jeff Erno Simpsonville, SC
- Dave Friedline..... Taylors, SC
- Ryan Gillespie..... Ware Shoals, SC
- Sergey Karasev Inman, SC
- Sally Knight Mauldin, SC
- Phil Parkins..... Greenville, SC
- Job Brewer Romanelli..... Reidville, SC
- Harold Sexton..... Greenville, SC
- Philip Smith..... Mauldin, SC
- Curtis Urps..... Simpsonville, SC
- Liz Ustick Moore, SC
- Tim Ustick Moore, SC
- David Zorb Spartanburg, SC

Donations needed for a silent auction benefiting veterans

Draexlmaier, the company GWG member Karen Sheldon works for, is having a fund raiser for Fellow Countrymen, an organization which houses and supports Veterans. Anyone who wishes to donate a woodworking item for the auction on July 25 - 29, please have it ready to be picked up by July 19. A cart/table will be located in the front lobby. Receipts for donated items are available if requested.

Kind regards,
Karen Sheldon

GUILD HISTORY

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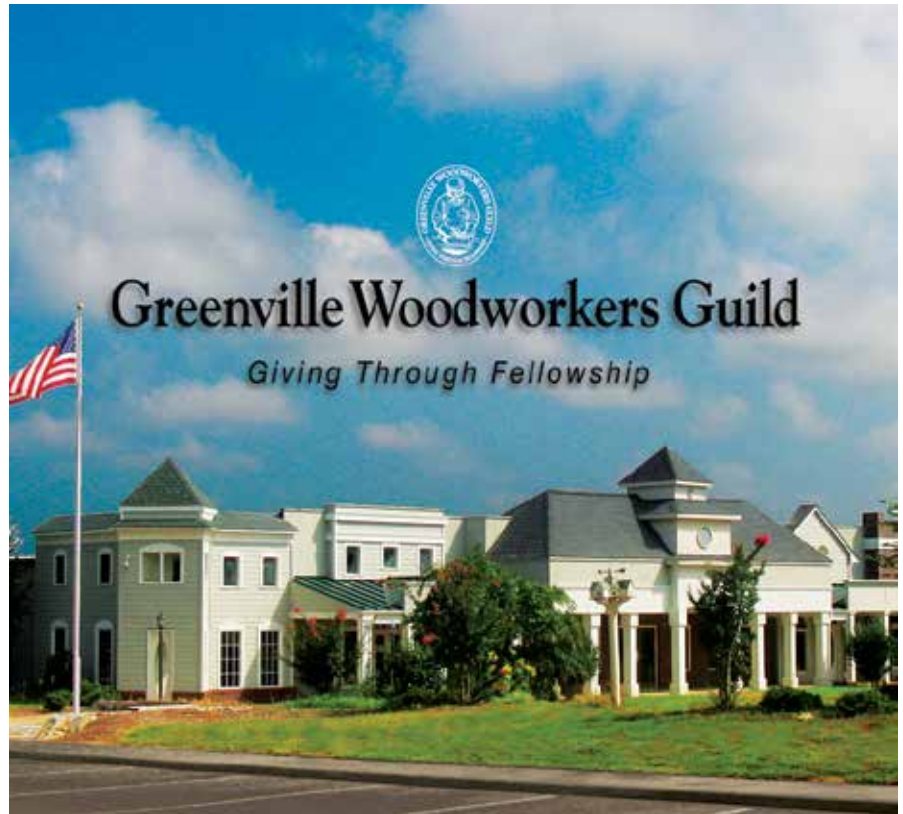
The July meeting was held on Sunday July 15 at the Art Museum followed by Jim Lewis and Clark Eleton presentation of their post-modern furniture. Clark is the recipient of the SC Arts commission fellowship for 1984. Lewis and Clark received first place national award of \$10,000 presented by Formica Corp for their throne chair.

New officers elected were Bob Ripley – President, Jim Beard, Vice President and Newsletter, Ravenel Scott, Secretary/treasurer and David Reid and Larry Williams program chairman.

David Reid will present successive programs on Carcase Construction in August and September and Sam Maloof visits for two days at the Art Museum and David's shop, October 12, 13. Sam's seminar will cost fifty dollar with a limit for thirty people. Bob Ripley is coordinating a fund-raising activity and Ed Voorhees has already donated \$50.00

Carlyle McKaughan presented slides and hands on samples of work done by the Kirby studio in Cummings Georgia.

Presentations were made to the Meyer Center of the chairs the guild complete plus \$427.00 raised by the



Guild at a raffle at the arts Festival, with Center's staff and Children attending.

Special thanks were extended to Diamond Hill Plywood for a buffet meal and a very interesting demonstration of plastic lamination techniques.

JULY CLASS SCHEDULE

03	04	05	06	07	08	09
			9:00 AM Jointer/Planer J Arnold			9:00 AM Sanding Machines B. Armbruster/J. Arnold
			9:30 AM New Member Orientation Best or LeGrand	1:00 PM Accu-slicer J Arnold		
		6:30 PM New Member Orientation Sprinkle, Sheldon or Yang				
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		9:00 AM Basic Bandsaw Scott/Hollingshad/Sparks		9:00 AM Table Saw H. Ireland.		9:30 AM Beginners Woodworking 101 L. Martins
	6:30 PM Guild Monthly Meeting	7:00 PM Accu-slicer J Boyd	6:00 PM Miter Saw/Drill Press P. DeJong	6:00 PM Basic Bandsaw B. Fuller		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	9:00 AM Lathe Woodturning Cert j. Stiehler/S Estabrooks	9:00 AM Festool D. DeFrancisco	9:00 AM Lathe Woodturning Cert j. Stiehler/S Estabrooks		9:00 AM Lathe Woodturning Cert j. Stiehler/S Estabrooks	9:00 AM Jointer/Planer B Reeves
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	1:00 PM Sanding Machines J Arnold/Stradling					9:00 AM Lathe- Beads of Courage Lidded Bowls J. Kilton/J. Stiehler
	5:30 PM Supervisor Meeting	6-9 PM Table Building 1/4 LeGrand, Reeves,		6:00 PM Basic Bandsaw B. Fuller		
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PHOTOS FROM THE ANNUAL SAWMILL PICNIC

The tradition lives on. Food, entertainment, good friends and perfect weather.



Entertainment by
Band 4.

The Guild got a deal.
I count 5 members?



Guild members turned
tops for the kids.





Kids playing games.

It's fun to have fun if you know how.





The watermelon was delicious. Everyone got some except David.





Getting together with friends.
That's the ticket!



The Guild T-Shirt
Concession was well
staffed.





Low calorie BBQ and fixings.
YUM!



First in line every time

2022- 2023 Officers

Joe Boyd - President

John Arnold - Executive VP

Bill Fuller - Treasurer

Chuck Graham - Secretary

Kellie Lockwood - Vice President, Communications

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Marion DeWitt - Vice President Charitable Projects

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Jon Rauschenbach - At Large

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