

Guild of Maine Woodworkers Monthly Meeting
April 17, 2018

Attendance: Wes Sunderland, Pat Sunderland, Dell Osman, Rolf Dries, David Barber, Randy Mayse, Dan Crowley, Bill Lewis, Bob Munier, Chris Turner and Barbara White.

Opening: The April meeting was held at Rolf Dries' shop in Windham. Rolf has a warm and comfortable shop. He demoed a new addition to his table saw and his process for making band saw boxes, which are noted below in Show and Tell.

Wes called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. Wes gave a brief summary of our finances, saying that we are in the black.

Pat introduced our newest member, Chris Turner.

Pat stated that our quarterly June field trip may not happen unless we find an alternate venue. Traditional Boatworks in Eliot, Maine, our planned outing, will not be available. Some suggestions were given: Maine Maritime Museum and The Mills at Salmon Falls in Rollingsford, NH. *{The mills sit on the banks of the Salmon Falls River in the historic brick community of Rollinsford, New Hampshire. It houses over 100 artists who use the expansive, light filled artist studio spaces for painting, woodworking, dance, and more.}* Bob Munier has contacts at MMM and will ask about a group tour. If anyone has suggestions, please let Pat know.

Someone mentioned the woodturning symposium in NH is coming up soon - the Ninth New England Woodturning Symposium on May 12th, see Pat's email of 3/24/18 for more details.

Show and Tell

Wes:

- **Fifty Years a Planemaker and User:** Wes shared this wonderful book that has a wealth of information for anyone willing to start making their own classic planes. *{Here is a link to a copy on Amazon, a wealth of information for anyone willing to start making his own classic planes, <https://www.amazon.com/Fifty-Years-Planemaker-Cecil-Pierce/dp/0962800120> }.*
- **Tapered Leg Table Kit:** Wes presented his table kit. Updates include:
 - Grooves around the top of the frame to help the table top adhere.
 - He's hand planed the surfaces
 - Has chamfered the inside corner of the legs, giving a nice taper
 - Made runners for the drawers

Wes made the table from construction grade pine. He will use flat head #10 or #12 screws to attach the tabletop to the frame. David suggested cutting off the point of the screws to give more 'bite', making a stronger attachment.

Barbara asked how to determine the size drill bit to use to pre-drill a hole. Wes said the diameter of the drill bit should be the same diameter of the non-threaded shaft of the screw.

Rolf:

- **Saw Stop Extended Sliding Miter:** Rolf demonstrated his new miter attachment for his table saw. This is a sliding miter that extends beyond the front of the saw allowing for wider cuts on the table saw. The miter will accommodate a 4 foot piece of plywood. It's a 'Saw Stop' brand he has affixed to his Delta brand table saw. He purchased it at Rockler.

Rolf checked the square of the miter by taking a parallel piece of wood less than one inch thick and making cuts on all four sides, rotating the wood with each cut. If perfectly square, the four cuts will perfectly connect.

- **Bandsaw boxes:** Rolf obtained the idea for making these small boxes from the June 2016 issue of Fine Woodworking. He starts with a solid block of wood and slices off pieces for the top and each of the sides and the bottom. He then glues them up and sands them smooth. He's making them for a church bazaar. *{It's too hard to describe in words how this is done so if you're interested, talk to Rolf or check out the magazine, or I'm sure Youtube has videos}.*

Wes mentioned that Atlantic Hardwoods has nice Baltic birch plywood.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m. Next meeting will be May 15th at Dell Osman's in Gorham. Wes will send an email with details and directions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara White, Secretary