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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The October 13 meeting will be at the Royal Oak Senior Center. This is our annual “Jigs and Fixtures” program.

The October luncheon will be at Georges Coney Island on the 24th at 1:16 pm.

The Saturday November 9 ALL DAY WORKSHOP will be at the Livonia Senior Center and features Tim Puro’s presentation on FINISHING AND REFINISHING.

The November luncheon will be at Georges Coney Island on the 21st at 1:16 pm.

NO MEETING OR LUNCHEON IS SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER

The January 12 meeting will be at the Livonia Senior Center. Ragnar Bergethon will demonstrate various JOINERY methods.

The January luncheon will be at Georges Coney Island on the 23rd at 1:16 pm.
President’s Corner
By Pete Goddard

The picnic this year was enjoyable. The weather cooperated and gave us a sunny, warm, but not hot day for the picnic. Attendance at the picnic was adequate, if a little below that achieved in some past years. The swap meet went, as always, with some unloading of excess shop materials and tools acquired over past years, and some ‘treasures’ being discovered at discount prices.

With the completion of the annual picnic, our next activity is the September meeting. The meeting will be preceded by a (Noon – 1PM) executive board meeting. The meeting will be held at the Royal Oak Senior Center (ROSC), allowing easier attendance for some of our members located in the East Greater Detroit Area. The topic will be Electric Guitar making and will be presented by Lee Calkins. I, for one, know exactly nothing on the topic, so I’m looking forward to learning. I hope to see each of you there.

The initial slate of Guild officer candidates for 2020, selected during a summer executive committee meeting, will be presented to the membership at the meeting. Additional nominations are actively encouraged. However, make sure the person you are nominating has agreed to accept the responsibility you are signing them up for. There is a short article in this newsletter on the election. Please take the time to read the article prior to the September meeting.

I will not be running for President this year due to personal issues that preclude spending the requisite amount of time needed to do as good a job as the Guild deserves. I will, however, be leading the web site during the next year.

The annual dues collection process (but not the $25 cost) is being changed for 2020. Please take the time to read the short article on membership later in this newsletter. The executive board is trying to simplify the dues collection activity, reducing the amount of work required by the Membership Chairman and the Treasurer. If you have feedback on this change, the September meeting is the time to provide that feedback to the executive board. Time will be allowed during the meeting for any comments to be heard and responded to.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the ROSC in September 8th. I hope everyone has had a wonderful Summer.
Dues Collection

Annual membership dues are currently collected on the anniversary date for the individual member. That involves considerable work for the Membership Director and for the Treasurer as each individual must be tracked at different dates of the year, and follow up communications done as needed. Most organizations similar to the Guild have adopted an annual dues collection with a common due date for all members. This allows the work of tracking the annual dues to be more focused and some steps in the process to be combined, improving efficiency and reducing workload.

The executive board, at the July meeting, decided to move to an annual due date for membership dues that is standard for all members. The intent is for the annual dues to be collected during January from all members. A notice will be sent out in early January, and all dues will be required to be paid by January 31. The intent is for this approach to apply beginning in January 2020. However, for 2020 only (a transition year), the following rules will apply.

1. If your annual dues were required during January 1, 2019 through August 31, 2019, you will be expected to pay your annual membership fee in January 2020.
2. If your annual dues are required to be paid in September, October, November, or December and you paid those dues, you may skip the 2020 payment in January at your discretion.
3. If your annual dues are required to be paid in September, October, November, or December and you did not pay those dues, your annual dues must be paid with the 2020 payment in January.

This change to the membership dues will be presented and discussed at the September meeting. If you have any feedback to the board on this change, you will be given time at the meeting to express any opinions and/or recommend changes. The amount of dues, $25, remains the same as it has been for many years.
2020 Guild Elections and Nominations

At an executive board meeting earlier this year, the board decided that the December meeting attendance for the last couple of years had been so limited that the large amount of effort needed to produce the snacks for the meeting could not be justified. As a result, as previously announced, December will not include a Guild meeting.

Because there is no Guild meeting in December, elections for Guild offices, traditionally held in December must be moved forward at least one month. For 2019, the November meeting will be an all day session on “Finishing” presented by Tim Puro. This Saturday meeting will be an additional charge for members and will be expected to include a significant, paid, non-member attendance. As a result, the annual elections will need to be held at the October meeting. First nominations will be taken at the September meeting. Nominations from the floor will be taken at the meeting and are encouraged. As usual, you must have the individual’s agreement in order to nominate them.

The 2019 initial nominations by the executive board are:

**President:** Jerry Romito

**Vice President:** Tom Rowley

**Treasurer:** Ed Stuckey
Ragnar Bergethon

**Secretary:** John Dolinsky
Don Hess

**Directors At Large:**
- Ragnar Bergethon
- Tony Gigliotti
- Richard Herbert

The remaining Guild offices are standing committees and are appointive. These include the newsletter, library, toy program, membership, programs, and web site. The current board intent is to have the following individuals serve in those offices.

**Newsletter**
- Bill Gayde
  (transition to: Dave McCagg)

**Library**
- Jule Clough
- Bill Rigstad (also photos, various coordination tasks)

**Toy Program**
- Ken Wolf
- Ron Ross
- Don Holowicki

**Membership**
- Ed Thomas

**Web Site**
- Pete Goddard (Web master)
- Fred Ball (Calendar)
- Dave Hinkle (tbd)

**Programs**
- Jerry Romito (may require some assist)

Please come to the September meeting prepared to nominate alternatives or to provide feedback to the board on any and all election issues.
One year I made several identical projects for gifts. Each of them had ten spindles that I turned myself. When turning a single spindle to match a pre-determined pattern, all you really need is a ruler and caliper.

**Template** — But, if you’re making multiple spindles, it’s simpler and more accurate to transfer the pattern to a full-sized template first. Then turn each leg following the template, and they will all be identical. The template is a piece of 4”-wide poster board cut the same length as the spindle (Fig. 1). What makes this template different is that there are marks along both edges. Along one edge is a line of “tick” marks that serve as a ruler for laying out the pattern. The other edge of the guide has a series of cut-out notches used like a caliper.

**Pattern Side** — The pattern side of the template shows where the different contours of the leg pattern are to be positioned along the length of the workpiece. By holding this side of the template against the workpiece, the position of each contour can be marked with a pencil (Fig. 2).

**Template Side** — As the spindle is being turned, the other edge of the template works as an indicator gauge. It shows when you’ve reached the correct outside diameters of beads, tenons, and tapers, and the correct inside diameters of coves, fillets, and V-grooves (Fig. 3). A template like this helps ensure all spindles turned from the same pattern look identical.
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For name tags, sign up with Ed Stuckey at a regular meeting.

6 MILE RD.  

HAGGERTY  

5 MILE RD.  

MAP TO GEORGE SENATE RESTAURANT HAGGERTY BETWEEN 5 & 6 MILE
The Picture Gallery

ALL SMILES -- YOU WOULD BE TOO IF YOU HAD JUST WON A RAFFLE PRIZE