



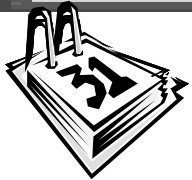
CAPITAL AREA WOODWORKERS

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Upcoming Meetings

August 2, 2011 Meeting

(Social Time and dinner 5:15 to 6:30)

Meeting starts promptly at 6:30

MCL Cafeteria

2151 Wabash Ave

Springfield, IL

Program

Hand Planes

Frank Thornton

Saturday August 6

Open Shop

Ralph Winch Sawing Demo

at His Sawmill 9AM to 11AM

Ralph has been working hard to prepare a great experience for us—you won't want to miss it.

CAW Officers 2011

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July Meeting Notes

By Dick Metcalf

The annual CAW picnic was held on Sunday, July 10, at the Rochester Community Park. For the second time —last year and this year— the weather was a factor in holding down the attendance. But those present have grown accustomed to the recent hot spells. The weather was just hot enough to spin stories, mostly true, but exaggerated just enough to get a good laugh.

The noon meal was the traditional fried chicken provided by the club. President Ron arrived late with the excuse that the chicken was fried only after he arrived at the store. But an anonymous source reported that he forgot to bring his GPS along and got lost trying to find the picnic grounds.

Many members arrived with boxes of old tools and whatever else they thought might sell at the silent auction. One member brought an old desk which promptly sold for a absurd amount. Other items of big interest were a hollow chisel mortiser; a miter saw portable stand, a set of chisels, router plates and a variety of one of a kind jewels.

Two members— Dan smoker and Gene Shutt— brought in some outstanding woodworking projects for show and tell (see page 3).

An Important Message for the August Meeting

It's time to get serious about appointing a President Elect for next year. Please consider someone for this position who can run the club and make us proud. We will take 10 minutes— or how ever long it takes— to ask everyone present to write the name of the person they recommend on a preliminary ballot. The officers will collect these ballots and come up with the best recommendation(s). They will then contact one or more of these persons and ask that they serve the club as the nominated candidate for 2012. All of the officers presently serving this club will attest to the privilege of serving the club and the satisfaction that brings.

Pictures taken at the Picnic



Show and Tell

There wasn't any formal presentation of show and tell items at the picnic; however, the items brought in by Gene Shutt and Dan Schmoker were too good not to have a write up in the newsletter.

Gene's items were a small sampling of fine collectables he's constructed over his long woodworking career. He showed a table lamp with the primary light having a 3 way light switch and a carousel base which for displaying family pictures. Next he showed us a utility box for stamps, paper clips, pens and pencils, etc. Next was an oak octagonal clock made out of parts ordered from a clock kit. Also an oak domino case and an oak picture frame. These items were not made only once but made over and over again to satisfy the demand of an extended family that each wanted a keepsake made by grandpa.



Dan Schmoker's display showed us items which were all turned in his underground studio workshop. The large bowl shown on the right is made out of honey locust and has a diameter of approximately 21". The one on the middle left is made from cherry with a round bottom. The one on the bottom is a platter— or collection plate— made out of soft maple. The one on the middle right is a bowl made from walnut crotch wood. All were outstanding examples of turning.

