

### Atlantic Woodworker's Association AWA Newsletter

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**Take note!!** Our meeting normaly held on the second Tuesday of each month, will be on the third Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> October, for this month only. The hall was not available for our normal meeting causing the change.

Salvation Army Community Church and Hall at 171 Pleasant Street in Dartmouth. From Five Corners, take Pleasant Street in the direction of Woodside or Eastern Passage the Church is a brick building located 0.8 km on the left hand side from the lights.

Our Presenter for Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> will be Alfred Carter whom builds Cabinets, Chests, Doors, Nautical Work, Walking Sticks and Canes, Signs, Wildlife carvings and also completes commission work.

Sheila

### Highlites of the September meeting

Phil Carter gave an update on the Museum Bench project. The sample picnic table was built by Phil Carter, Dave Schlosberg, Jim Tupper, Tom Patterson and Gary Dumas working on two different days. The cost of the table was about \$425.00 . The folks at the museum liked the sample and will probably request to have 3 or 4 more built. Arrangements are being made to develop a public relations event around the final assembly of the table and benches at the museum site. More information will be given at the next meeting.

Dick Jamer asked the members to consider volunteering some of their time and scrap material to cut out various shapes that can be used by the Victorian Order of Nurses to have their patients suffering with dementia paint at the group gatherings. Several patterns were available to be used before various events such as Christmas, Valentines, Easter, Halloween, etc. The VON needs 42 of each pattern for each event during the year. Several members volunteered to make such items individually or together with other members. If anyone else wants to participate in this worthwhile project, they should contact Dick directly.

In the "Show and Tell" section of the meeting, Gary Dumas showed the members a beautiful rocking horse that he made for his granddaughter out of maple and trimmed with walnut. He described the process that he used and how he overcame difficulties with the project. Dave Schlosberg showed the members a stool that he built to enable him and his wife to reach heights safely.

The main presentation of the meeting was given by Gary Dumas. Gary took the members on a photo slide tour of his workshop displaying many unique features that other members may choose to employ in their shops. On example is to have doors on bottom cabinets held on with magnets rather than hinges. This enables him to slide tools in and out of those areas to create more floor space by not having a door open in the room and also have the tools put away. Another unique feature was to have tools, such as a planer or router, on a stand with a pivoting top. When the tool was not needed, it could be pivoted upside down thereby creating another work surface. Yet another unique feature is to have norrow, yet high, vertical drawers that could easily store chisels or router bits for quick and easy retrival. These drawers are created by having one drawer slide set placed above the other set rather than across from each

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other as they normally are.

At the end of his presentation, Gary encouraged other members to share their workshops photos with the members at future meetings. Later in the meeting, Sheila Eddy reiterated this encouragement to the members to bring in photos of their shops and/or unique ideas for workshops.

A tool exchange and sale will be held in November. The exact date will be announced when arrangements for the hall is worked out. The sale will be open to members only for the first hour and to the general public for the remainder of the morning.

The Christmas social event will be held at Lee Valley as it has been in the previous years. This was determined after some consideration of moving it to the Salvation Army site.

Our Events Coordinator, Sheila Eddy, asked the members for suggestion on future presenters for our meetings. She also asked the members if the were interested in going to Lunenburg in November to visit Chisel Works and ,possibly, another woodworking related business. Several members expressed interest.

Rick Archibald announced that the Lee Neilson company will be conducting demonstrations of their full range of tools at East Coast Speciality Hardwoods on Sept 27th & 27th. They are located on Wright Ave, in the Burnside Park. This will be an opportunity for members to try out their tools.

Rick also mentioned that our Vice Chair, Nick Poole, has moved to Ontario. He hopes to open his own shop there.

Tom Patterson

#### Bargains on high end tools.

This past Saturday, I went saleing as I is.I came across a master woodworker reasons. He is selling his woodworking prices. Some of these tools include a from Lee Valley, a vacuum press that

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normally do on Saturdays. Yard saleing, that who is giving up woodworking for health tools, equipment and supplies at bargain Freud router with attachments purchased was never used, a full set of Stanley planes,

some Lee Neilsen tools, several sets of clamps, rare and expensive woodworking books as well as some larger tools. His name is Phil Moffitt. His phone # is 462-7098. He can be contacted by email at phil.moffitt@eastlink.ca . He lives in West Lawrencetown, Halifax County.

Cheers, Tom Patterson

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**Toys for Christmas project:** This is October already and not to soom to be thinking abouit and building toys for this event. It does make a lot of children happy.

David Schlosberg showing off a pumpkin he has cut out for the VON project. Thanks Dick for suggesting this worth while project as a project and giving a way to use up all that scrap wood we have laying around.



#### TOOL SALE / EXCHANGE

The annual tool sale/exchange will take place on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November. It will be held at the Salvation Army hall. This is where we hold our normal monthly meetings, 171 Pleasent St. Dartmouth.

Some of your members may be interested in several woodworking workshops we're offering in September at Sutherland Steam Mill Museum near Tatamagouche, or they may know people who would like to attend. This is a pilot project that Site Manager Darrell Burke has been working on with a local furniture craftsman, Jonathan Otter, who proposed the idea. It offers a unique experience for participants but will be a challenge filling the sessions. Could you please spread the word at your meeting next month? Any suggestions for promoting these workshops would be much appreciated. I've copied Darrell in this e-mail in case you or any of your members would like further information.

Thanks,

Janet

Submitted by Tom Patterson

#### Received from Frances Waller.

On May 29th Dave Slosberg sent you an email re Hobby Woodworking Shop for sale.

He told you they belonged to a former member, but didn't say who.

The tools belonged to my husband, Ian Waller, who now has dementia and is unable to use them.

So far I have sold a few items to friends and family, but I still have:

Craftex 10" Table Saw.

Biesemyer T square Saw Fence.

Dust collector.

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Air Filter with bench light.
Benchtop Jointer.
Compound Mitre Saw.
Many other smaller items also available.

If anyone is interested please contact Dave or me, Frances Waller. Phone 902-827-2436 Would you please mention this at your next meeting. Thank you.

Frances Waller



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