

Atlantic Woodworker's Association AWA Newsletter



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AWA meetings are normally held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 pm. Our meetings are held at the Salvation Army Church hall, 171 Pleasant Street in Dartmouth.



This month our meeting will be held on February 11th at our usual place in the Salvation Army hall at 7 pm.

Don't forget this month's mini challenge, we hope to see some very nice items and ideas show up.

The theme of this mini challenge is to construct one or more of the following items using tools, wood and other material of your choice to complete this project: Jewelry, belt buckle, pins, scarf pin, bracelet, necklace, etc Or Closure, latch, buttons, hinge or toggle

The above challenge may produce a gift for a special person for Valentine's Day on February 14th.

Our presenter; Don Shubaly is scheduled to give a presentation on his kitchen reno.

There is an article in the Globe and Mail today about the ingenious, prize-winning use of scrap two by fours in the construction of the Richmond B.C. Oval (Winter Olympics 2010). Please send the below video link out to the membership for them to share

<http://www.theglobeandmail.com/sports/sports-video/how-bc-architects-turned-beetle-ravaged-pine-into-a-stadium-masterpiece/article16493790/#dashboard/follows/>

The article, itself, can be found at

<http://www.theglobeandmail.com/sports/olympics/behind-the-games/out-besting-the-nest/article16490358/#dashboard/follows/>

Yours...Dave Schlosberg



Nothing to report from Florida except that it was 25 degrees yesterday and I sunburned my bald head. More to come later as I get started on projects with my grandson.

Cheers

Gene



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Wood Cut Outs for VON Adult Day Programme

AWA Members are continuing to cut out shapes for the attendees at the VON Breakaway programme to paint. They always have a great time with this activity. In the next week or two they will be painting the hearts that Gary Dumas cut out.

As you can see, Din and Mary MacMillan have cut out flowers, which they will paint if this winter ever stops.



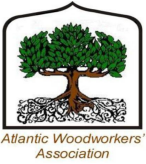
I would ask everyone who has committed to cutting out patterns to contact me at rjamer@eastlink.ca or 576-2421 when you have finished. I will either get them at the next meeting or arrange to pick them up. If anyone else would like to participate, please contact me. We have lots of ideas and the items can be saved until they fit into the programme.

I continue to receive many thank you s from VON staff. Thank YOU!

Dick Jamer

From our Chair;

It's hard to believe that the month of January has just about come to an end. If you missed last month's meeting, I want to wish you and your family all the very best in the new year. I am very much looking forward to the next year with exciting programs and great projects to further our public awareness in the community. We are going to build



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some camp boxes for the boy Scouts and I am waiting to schedule a meeting with the IWK with regards to our contribution to the annual fund raiser. The lighting has been fixed in the hall at the SA, and we have purchased a modest sound system so we can all hear our guest speakers.

Sheila continues to challenge us with the monthly challenge, perhaps make us think a little outside the box. This month for instance, a piece of jewelry, definitely outside my box!!! Sheila also programs our guest speakers either from the AWA or from the community. She does an excellent job but she needs our help, so if you have any ideas don't hesitate to bring them forward. Next month, Don is scheduled to give a presentation on his kitchen reno. Mark will be presenting in the near future on how to photograph our work. Our web site will be undergoing some work thanks to our new web masters Mary Elizabeth and Stephen.

So until the next time, happy woodworking!

Gardy Dumas



Note form our Library

Last month I added some books to the library too late to get in the newsletter, so I'll tell you about them now. These are some of the recently donated used books that I have chosen to keep. Here's the list of titles with some description:

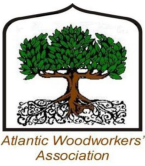
1. *Outdoor Furniture* by Bill Hylton et al. Rodale Press. 1992. Full of projects, proven techniques , etc.
2. *Workshop Jigs and Fixtures* by Sandor Nagyszalancy. Taunton Press. 1994. The usual great graphics plus content.
3. *Further Creative Light Wood Carving* by J.Matthews. Some striking semi-abstract stuff with instructions.
4. *Turning for Furniture* by Ernie Conover. Taunton. 1996. The usual great graphics plus content.

We are still trying to update the library list on our website. With a new webmaster perhaps this will happen sometime in the next few months.

David

The web AWA webpage , to logon to the membership section you require a name and password. You can get your password from our webmaster . <http://atlanticwoodworkers.ca/> . Get your friends to take a look.

Show and Tell at the January meetings



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Roy Cametron – presented a short video of his new router bit for doing 45 degree locking corners

Tom Patterson _ showed his Christmas presents, magnate rist band for holding screws. A gig for hanging pictures and getting them all at the same level and a hand held megnate which you can turn on and off to release any screws you have pikcked up.

Stan Salsman – showed a copy of the global and CTV news item on AWA toy drive

- _ Stand-up poster to be placed in shops around the city.
- Wood carving of a team of oxen I carved a number of years ago

Gardy Dumas talked about a web site showing mant practical ideas. Garyd had a couple of screw guides he had made from that sight. <http://atelierdubricoleur.wordpress.com/>



AWA meeting of 14th January 2014

Presenter for the meeting: Jana Bookholt, owner of Swaine Street Woodworking. She gave a talk on her history and how she became a woodworker after taking courses at NASCAD. Her speciality is cutting boards and chopping blocks. She gave a discription of how she constructed and finished her boards. The wood of choice is Maple, Birch and walnut. Once her blocks are glued up she sands up to 120 grid sandpaper She finishes with her own mixture of mineral oiles..... and beeswax. Her products can be seen in several stores around the city. She gets a lot of business as gifts for weddings and Christmas etc.

She is also an artist and she burns a small logo in the corner of her boards giving it a special professional look .

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