



# Plane News

*Woodworkers of Central Ohio*

## From The President - CHARLES MURRAY



From the president

There was never a dull moment at our last meeting (pun intended), now none of us have any excuses to have dull tools in our shops. The range of techniques and sharpening equipment demonstrated covered just about everything available today. Thanks again to everyone that participated.

One particular type of woodworking that requires extremely sharp tools is wood carving. Brook Smith who builds free standing period inspired furniture will be demonstrating carving techniques for furniture, specifically an applied shell. Along with this Broke will also demonstrate the proper way to sharpen and hone your carving tools.

Trying your hand at carving whether applied or directly incised on your next wood working project will not only increase your skills but add a new dimensions to your work.

### FIELD TRIP

Christopher Schwarz of Popular Woodworking has invited members of WOCO to tour their shop and enjoy a seminar on hand planes. The event will begin at 10am Saturday February 16<sup>th</sup> 2008. The club will be buying some pizzas and pop for lunch. This tour will be limit to 60 members, so please make sure you can attend before signing up (a sign up sheet will passed around at the meeting). I suggest that members carpool to share the costs of gas. Popular Woodworking is located at 4700 East Galbraith Rd, Cincinnati, Ohio. This promises to be an exciting field trip, letting us see a side of woodworking most don't get a glimpse of.

Thanks Charles Murray

Ray's wife, Jean, wanted me to inform WOCO about Ray's passing. He was an active member many years and he was responsible for me joining the WOCO.

In late summer Ray was diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer. Prognosis was not good and he passed away on October 17th, 2007.

Ray was a prolific wood worker and was known to turn out many fine pieces of furniture for his family and friends. During his illness his one worry was the finishing of a book case for his daughter he had started.

Thanks John

## Mark Your Calendar

**MEETINGS START AT 8:30 a.m.**

January 12<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> - Columbus Wooding Show

January 26<sup>th</sup> - Carving with Brook Smith (Please note the date change)

March 8th - The State of Tools Ron Damon of WoodWerks

May 10th - - Woodworking of Yesteryear

## 2007/2008 ARTHRITIS CHAIR RISER PROGRAM

Bill Harsh \_\_\_\_\_ 12 Sets  
 George & Joan Whited \_\_\_\_\_ 12 SetS  
 Ron Mack \_\_\_\_\_ 1 Set  
 Henry Fisher \_\_\_\_\_ 1 Set  
 Total to Date-----26 SETS “



Please fill out the count sheet at the entrance of the mtg. room each time you donate risers to insure credit and 1 ticket for each set for the end of year drawing.

Please continue to pack and **TIE** each set in a plastic grocery bag to maintain each sets integrity. We are always looking for 2" x 6" cutoffs for this project.

The drawing for the risers is on our web site.  
Thanks for your community concern.

**THIS PAST YUEAR ONLY 13 CLUB MEMBERS PARTICIPATED IN THE PROJECT! THERE ARE OVER 200 MEMBERS NOT PARTICIPATING!**



Lou G

**WOCO 2007 HOLIDAY TOY AFTER ACTION REPORT**

**WOCO ELVES COME THRU FOR THE KIDS!!** Thanks to all the WOCO members who made toys for our annual Holiday Toy Program. Over one hundred members and guests attended the Christmas party at the Berwick Party House on December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Christmas morning was brightened for many children by the generosity of our members. It was hard for the adults to contain their excitement as they viewed and handled the displayed toys. The Granville/Newark group did their usual outstanding job with dinosaurs, cars, waddle toys, cradles, mirrors and jewelry boxes. Ed Robold had his annual contribution of catapults. Ron Grady and Walt Betley turned pens. Rose Wendt created over a dozen puzzles.

There were cars, trucks, and airplanes of every size, shape and description; banks, crayon holders, pencil boxes and assorted games. If you were unable to attend this event, you missed a wonderful sight of wooden toy creations. Make sure you mark your calendar for this year.

The attending agencies, Salvation Army, Alpha Athletic Club, Gladden Community Center, Kids N' Kamp, and St Vincent Family Center expressed their appreciation and gratitude on behalf of all the families and kids. This year we had a total of 1,316 toys made by our members. Hopefully, I have included all the names of those who participated.

Chris Amatos	Lou Gatch	Chuck Murray	Walt Betley	Pete Grace	Ed Robold
Gary Bogart	Ron Grady	Keith Rogers	Chuck Caranna	Bill Harsh	Dave Rouse
Dave Conrad	Dave Hoffman	Jim Shaffer	Gordon Correia	Gene Hull	Larry Smith
Wayne Cuthbert	Dave Loy	Jim Walters	Ivan Dangler	Ron Mack	Rose Wendt
Robert Engle	Bob McIlyar	Don Wenzlik	John Fair	Bill Miller	George Whited
Dennis Flinn	Jane Miller	Joan Whited	Leon Gage	Bob Morrison	

As in the past a few of the toys were held back for display at future club meetings and for promoting our club at the Woodworkers Show booth held earlier in the month.

On behalf of the countless children who received these toys this holiday season, thank you one and all for your outstanding efforts. We would also like to thank those who provided door prizes at the dinner: Franklin International, Popular Woodworking Magazine, Woodcraft, Woodwerks Supply, and a number of our WOCO members.

Again any questions please give me a call at 614 766-5935.  
Chuck (The Toy Man)





### Mechanich (sic) Exercises

In the last article, I blended the use of hand tools with proper wood selection. If your projects are the fruits of your labor then wood is the seed. A craftsman is the sum of his talents and tools and an inventory of wood allows him to actively demonstrate his craft creatively.

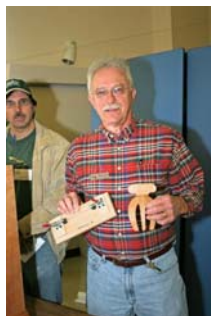
How much wood does a woodworker need? For a small shop I think 10 to 30 board feet (bdft) of 6 to 8 species would be plenty for most projects found in woodworking magazines. It amazes me how many guys don't blink at spending \$400 on a dovetail jig but think the same price is a lot for a stack of lumber. You can get 100 bdft. of clear cherry in the rough for \$400. That is 25-1"x6"x8' boards! In my mill I keep at least 100 bdft. Of 30 different species, and I try to keep at least 1000 bdft. of 12 species (ash, cedar, cypress, fir, hard and soft maple, red and white oak, poplar, white pine, and redwood) 90-100% clear, First And Seconds (FAS) 84-100% clear, and #1 common 67-83% clear. My inventory allows me to react to my own creativity, customer requests, and issues that arise during restoration work. The Basement or Garage Woodshop (a garage is a woodshop that some people insist on parking a car in!) usually does not have any room for large lumber storage. Still, you can have a good selection with a little work. It is all right to store wood outside, like in a shed. Moisture and direct water contact is more the enemy than temperature extremes. Store boards vertically if possible, wood likes to be kept the way it grows. It is also easier to sort through boards on end than to unstuck a pile. Scraps store more compactly horizontally. Never turn down scraps of any kind. I cannot tell you how many times I have only needed just a scrap, so the scrap bins stay full. Scraps are the byproduct of production, which is expected, and for which allowances are already made. This means they have already been paid for.

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#### SHOW AND TELL PICTURES BY ED ROBOLD & JACK AND JEAN HOCK



DENNIS FLINN



BILL STAUFFER



RUTH THOMAS



RON GRADY



RUSS TIPTON



DAVID ROUSE



GEORGE WHITED



JOE ROSSIN



PETE GRACE



DAVID HOFFMAN





A great time was had by all. Some even dressed the part. Thanks to everyone. It was great to be back with all of you. And thanks to you all for help getting me back into my van. It is getting easier all the time.

**Merry Christmas**  
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To every one and a special Wish to you for the next year.

Thanks Again

Chuck Grimes

### Why should I write an article for the newsletter?

In the last issue of the Plane News Ed Robold wrote a great article on his experience in helping to develop a new jig for Woodhaven. Not only did this article show us one way new jigs are develop, but it showcased a hidden talent of Ed's, writing.

When I began writing for the newsletter, I had a difficult time correlating thoughts and putting them down on paper so someone else could understand them. However with the help of my wife (one of Gods most patient creature, sometimes) I stumbled through it. She would take my rambling thoughts, type them into the computer and at the same time turn into something everyone would understand.

This went on for about a year, then one day after proofreading an article she had just entered into the computer, I turned to her and said 'you sure make me sound good' her reply was 'I didn't have to change a thing'. At that moment I realized a new skill was taking shape, one that I was beginning to enjoy.

Now the answer to the question that is the title of this article. Well, there is no one right answer for everyone. Yours will be different from the person setting next to you at the meeting. However being able to share your thoughts, ideas, and experiences with a group that will appreciate it is not something to dread (as I once did), but a rewarding experience. Another good reason is it's your club; you can help shape where it's going, and provide balance. Both Ron and myself enjoy using hand tools (the secret's out), however many members use nothing but power tools. If you recently purchase a new one do a quick review, let the club share in your successes or any problems that you ran into. Anything that has to do with woodworking is appropriate. Just title it "Adventures in Woodworking" who knows you may enjoy it. Charles Murray- the plane guy

### **Woodworkers of Central Ohio University of Rio Grande Fine Woodworking Program Tour Saturday, March 15, 2008**

The University of Rio Grande, founded in 1876, in partnership with Rio Grande Community College, is one of the few remaining institutions to offer a Fine Woodworking degree in their School of Technology. Students can seek a 1-year, 2-year, or Bachelor's Degree in Applied Technology (Fine Woodworking) that prepares the students for work in a custom cabinet shop or architectural millwork environment. The instructor, Eric Matson, is a graduate of the program who was recruited to return and direct the program in 2000 after some time in the private sector. Students are required to complete specific assigned projects throughout the program that test their knowledge and ability in all areas of woodworking from selection of materials, to hand-cut dovetails and mortise/tenon joinery, to creation of decorative moldings, and complete finishing.

WOCO has been invited to visit their shop and learn more about their program and its students. While students are not "in class" on Saturdays, most are in the shop working to complete their projects. Students and staff will be available to offer a tour of the shop and talk with us about the many projects completed over the years. Students display their finished products at a year-end open house and artist show in late April each year. Many of the hand-made pieces are available for sale at the open house and many sell for thousands of dollars.

Those interested in going on the trip will be meeting at LOWE'S on US 23 (South High Street) near I-270 on Saturday morning, March 15, at 7:45 AM. We will car pool to Rio Grande, which is about 75 miles south of Columbus. Directions are simple: Take US 23 South to US 35 East to Rio Grande. You will exit at the OH-325 (VINTON/RIO GRANDE) exit. Turn right onto OH-325 which will take you through a four-way stop and along the perimeter of campus. Turn right onto Cherry Ridge Road and almost immediately left onto Pine Street. The Fine Woodworking shop is at the top of the hill on the left. We will stop for lunch on the way back to Columbus. We should return to Columbus by 3 PM.

There will be a sign-up sheet circulated at both the January and March meetings. While there is no formal limit to those participating, due to the limited size of the shop, 50 is about the practical limit. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Totsch at [mtotsch@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mtotsch@sbcglobal.net) or phone at 614-876-4604.

## WOODCRAFT NEWS

On November 10, Woodcraft hosted our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual TURN FOR TROOPS Turn-A Thon. At least 39 people participated and turned 246 wooden pens which have been sent to our troops overseas. Thanks to all the woodworkers who helped make this event successful.

The annual Greater Columbus Area Woodworking Show is scheduled for January 11, 12 & 13 at the fairgrounds. Woodcraft will not be present at the show this year, but we will have some in-store specials during that weekend. All wood (lumber, turning blocks and carving blanks) will be 15% off and all power tools will be 10% off. Please stop by and take a look during this weekend.

Thanks!  
Jim Baumgardner

## Whats new At WoodWerks

Well, that time of year has come again. Merry Christmas to all and thanks for your business in 2007. This has been a tough year for a lot of people and hopefully this economy will soon get turned around and things will get back to normal. In the meantime, our 2008 expo/sale is just around the corner. The dates are January 11-13, 2008. We'll again be having our 10% off sale on most everything in the store. We have a lot of new exotic woods in inventory now including Wenge. We'll be having a great deal on gallons of Regular Titebond at the January expo. Otherwise, things are bubbling along; let us know how we can help.

Thanks Ron Damon and the entire WoodWerks staff.

## Donations

Each year WOCO receives generous donations from our local woodworking stores and beyond. This year was no exception with Woodcraft, Woodwerks, Franklin International, Popular woodworking, Woodline USA, and Lie Nielsen Toolworks all giving generously.

All tools and supplies that have been given away this year were donated. The next time you're in one of the stores, or ordering from them give them a big THANKYOU for supporting WOCO. THANK YOU Charles Murray

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## ***Mechanich (sic) Exercises***

I enjoy going through the rocks, sorting out lumber for a project, and putting back a full board because I have enough scraps to cover smaller pieces needed. Money saved is money earned.

Stores like Home Depot and Lowes stock a small selection of poplar, pine and oak surfaced to 3/4" nominal thickness. Woodcraft (614.527.7594) and WoodWerks (614.575.2400) have a larger selection and some wood stocked in the rough. With the availability of portable throat planers and bed jointers, rough lumber is much easier to work in a small shop. Rough lumber is expressed by 1/6", 4/4 is 1" thick, 5/4 is 1" thick, etc... Wholesale lumberyards like Willis Lumber Co. (800.345.3527) now allows one or two species as small as 100 bdft. Buying in the rough allows you to control cost, so you can make something out of solid cherry or walnut rather than veneering. I keep lumber in the rough to react to different thicknesses of needed stock, or to have the ability to resaw to achieve thinner wood without planning away stock and raising the cost of materials. I much prefer working in 7/8" or 1" finished stock to 3/4" any day. When buying finished lumber you pay the same or more for 3/4" stock lumber as I am paying for 4/4rough. Do not overlook cutoff shorts (boards 3' to 5' long). Many yard shave great specials, besides, when was the last time you needed a full 8'board? For those of you who might be intimidated by using rough lumber, consider this, most of you already own a mini mill. A planer, jointer, table and cutoff saw are the essence of a mill. Considering you have already invested in the machinery, with a little effort you can turn out flat, square stock on your own, rather than paying someone else to do it. It isn't necessary that all four sides of a board be perfectly smooth for every project. For example, when you look at the back of older furniture you will notice rough saw marks. Historically, craftsmen would not waste time and drive up cost by tooling the side that will never be seen or used. With the cost of cabinet grade plywood today I urge you to try joining solid boards for backs, sides, and panels. The look, feel and strength will show through. A few jobs require I finish lumber by hand. However, it is fun, hard work and it keeps me fit and young! The pride I experience cannot be beat! Galoots of the world, hunch over and be counted!

**Ron Herman**

**Air Dried Lumber For Sale.**

Cherry 5/4 \$3.50 bdft

Walnut 4/4 \$3.20 bdft

Oak 5/4 \$2.00 bdft

Brian Neeley

561 Snoke Hill Rd.

Lancaster, Ohio 43130

Home 740 653 0185 after 8 pm

Cell- 740 407 0920 any time

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Excalibur router table insert, \$75.00

Charles Murray 614 837-6168

**For Sale**

I have three tools for sale, a 10 inch Dewalt table saw, a Jet 14 inch Bandsaw, and a Jet 6 inch jointer. All are in excellent condition, just a few years old and I will sell them for a reasonable price. Are you able to get the word out to other members?

Jim Fronk 614 488-1235

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614 527-7594

**Woodwerks  
& Rockler** 1181 Claycraft Rd. Columbus  
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**Woodline USA Router Bits**  
1-800-472-6950

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Meetings are held the second Saturday of  
September, November, January, March, and May.  
8:30 am – 12:00 pm at Spring Road Church of Christ at 74  
Spring Road, Westerville, Oh

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WOCO & Other Meetings

WOCO meets

Jan. 26th, 2008. Spring Rd Church of Christ, 74 Spring Rd  
Westerville, Oh 8:30am – 12:00pm

**Wood turners** meet, 2nd Tuesday, Sept—May,  
The Ohio State University Industrial Technology Bldg.  
1100 Kinnear Road 7-9pm  
Barbara Crockett, Pres. 614 459-9113  
Claudia Taylor, Secretary 614 870-6007.

**Columbus Chippers Carving Club**, meet 3rd Wednesday,  
each month.  
MCL Cafeteria – Schrock & Route 3 in Westerville .

**Deadline for newsletter articles is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month before the next meeting.** Send newsletter articles to the editor.

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