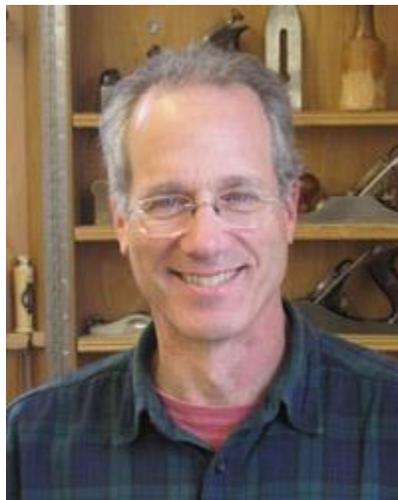


December, 2019

NEWSLETTER

The goal of the Maine Woodworkers Association is to bring all aspects of woodworking closer to its members and to educate everyone seeking knowledge from woodworkers in Maine. Meetings are times of friendship and learning, where everyone is welcome to share ideas, camaraderie, and of course, coffee.

MAINE WOODWORKERS ASSOCIATION *PRESENTS* PETER KORN ON THE NATURE OF CREATIVE WORK



Executive Director
of the
Center for Furniture Craftsmanship
Tuesday 10 December at 7:00PM
at the Freeport Public Library

Peter Korn has been a furniture maker since 1974. He is the author of *Why We Make Things and Why it Matters: The Education of a Craftsman* (Godine Publishing, 2013), *Woodworking Basics: Mastering the Essentials of Craftsmanship* (Taunton Press, 2003) and *The Woodworker's Guide to Hand Tools* (Taunton Press, 1998). Prior to founding the Center for Furniture Craftsmanship in 1992 Peter spent six years as Program Director at Colorado's Anderson Ranch Arts Center and four years as Adjunct Associate Professor at Drexel University. His award winning furniture has been exhibited nationally in galleries and museums.

Free, Public Invited

December meeting with Peter Korn at the Freeport Library. Bring a dessert bring a friend, December 2019.

From Chuck Devine:

Our November meeting at Charlie Durfee's shop was a great one. In addition to our host's presentation we had some discussions in response to questions from attendees about finishing techniques.

Our December meeting will be Tuesday the 10th at the Freeport Community Library. Members are asked to be there at 6:30 and to bring a dessert to share. Members of the public are invited to arrive at 7:00 and the presentation will begin at 7:30.

Our presenter will be Peter Korn of the Center for Furniture Craftsmanship in Rockport, Maine.

Last month I asked that members send photos of their work for a promotional bookmark type business card. So far only one member has responded. It will be too small to include everyone but it should include more than just one of us. Please send me photos of your work that are at least 300 dpi (dots or pixels per inch). The printed photos will be about 1 1/4 x 2 7/8" so close ups are probably best.

Shelter Institute's Tool-A-Palooza and Open House is this Saturday. See their website for more info <<https://www.shelterinstitute.com/home>>. It's worth a trip to Woolwich.

Free and low cost classes will resume in January. If you have one to offer or a request for one let me know through the website or my e-mail.

Opportunities- If anyone knows of any opportunities please pass the word.

I hope to see all of you at our December meeting at-

Freeport Community Library

10 Library Drive

Freeport, ME 04032

6:30, 10 December 2019

We will also be looking into changes to our website and social media.

One free class on sharpening carving gouges has been given as a result of the offer made in our last newsletter. If anyone has any ideas for classes they would like to give or attend please let us know at a meeting or via e-mail.

I am offering some gateway classes to MWA members for no charge. The topics will be sharpening chisels and plane irons, sharpening carving and turning gouges and scraper sharpening. Each class will be 1-2 hours and limited to 4 attendees. Class times will be weekends or evenings as best fits the schedules of the attendees and myself. If interested please contact me at Chuck@CharlesEDevine.com.

I encourage other members to offer classes on these or other gateway skills as a way to bring in new members.

Chuck

Notes about future Meetings:

Our website is going through some changes. If you want to be listed on it contact Chuck Devine or Michael Hetzel for more info.

Opportunities:

If anyone knows of any opportunities please pass the word.

Chilton Furniture sells primarily Maine Made products made by small shops. Some of these small shops are in need of help to avoid overly long lead times. If you are able and interested in doing some work in your shop for one of these contact the following:

Jason Haskell, Haskell Woodworking, 37 Casco St #207, Portland, ME 04101 (978) 317-8230;

Dan Maxham, W.A. Mitchell Fine Furniture, P.O. Box 432, 710 Wilton Rd, Farmington, ME 04938 (207) 778-5212.

Or contact Jared or Jennifer Levin, the owners of Chilton Furniture Co.

Upcoming Events:

Shelter Institutes Toolapalooza open house and tool sale 7 December

This year some members have expressed interest in giving and taking classes. I'd like to encourage this - particularly as a means of bringing in new members. Since Fall is when most non-professional woodworkers start to think about getting back into the shop, this should be a good time for some classes. If you are interested in teaching, please let me know about the subject, location, number of students, costs, students requirements (tools, personal protective equipment, skill level, duration and time frame, etc.). If you are interested in having members give instruction please let me know what topics you most want to learn about. Not all classes can be given for free but perhaps, with members approval, MWA funds could be used to supplement the costs.

Most classes will likely be one morning, evening or day but please consider longer formats as well.

No feedback will probably result in no classes.

If you know of any woodworking related opportunities, events or related info please let Chuck know about them via Chuck@CharlesEDevine.com .

Meeting Host Schedule

2019

Jan and Feb- no meeting

March: Days hardwood

April:

May: Chase Small Craft

June: Ned Merrick at his new shop

July: Rod Regier's

August: *Strouts Point Wharf Company*

September: Factory 3 Portland Me

October: Toddy Brook Café

November: Charles Durfee cabinetmaker Woolwich

December: Peter Korn at Freeport Library

Meeting ideas- in no particular order:

John Bryan (829-6447)

Open Bench project

Jay Morrissey- damascus steel blacksmith and glass blower- Ned's contact

Furniture

Thomas Moser

Duncan Hewitt (sp?)

Mark White

Veneer shop in Kennebunk

Shelter Institute

John Libby post and beam

Jaques Vessery

Wood turning at Rockler or similar

News/For Sale:

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