Guild of Maine Woodworkers Inc. Monthly Meeting Tuesday November 14, 2017

ATTENDANCE: Pat Sunderland, Wes Sunderland, Ron Boes, Rolf Dries, Bill Lewis, Barbara White, Dell Osman, David Barber, Xavier Comas, Bob Engdhal, Katrina Treworthy, Randy Mayse

Opening: The November monthly meeting was held at Randy Mayse's shop in Buxton and started at 6:25.

Pat introduced our newest member, Katrina Treworthy who lives in Whitefield. She is new to woodworking, but wants to learn more. She has built a chicken coop and would like to learn how to build new kitchen cabinets when she renovates her 1970's kitchen.

Pat reminded us that the Board of Director's Meeting will be held December 16th at which time new officers will be elected.

Wes has led the guild as our president for 10 years and said it is time for a new president. He will continue to do the newsletter and drumming up new membership, but wants to retire from the leadership role.

Dell presented his thoughts on the characteristics of a new president, which he believes should be a professional woodworker versus a hobbyist. Discussion followed about professional vs. hobbyist. Dell suggested that the guild create a tri-fold brochure to help drum up business and place in applicable places such as Rockler, Shelter Institute and Fox Run Mall. Members seemed to agree Rockler and Shelter are good venues but Fox Run Mall is too far outside our membership area and likely not be viable.

Show and Tell:

Wes presented two ways to mortise; by hand with a mortising chisel or with a hollow chisel mortise.

Bob presented some tools he uses as a timber framer; a very large compass, a clapboard gauge, and a two types of timber frame marking tools – one for marking circles and one for marking straight lines. Bob used to work for Libby builders and then went out on his own. Bob described the Lychgate system of building roofs, (which you can read more about on Wickipedia, <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lychgate</u>). It's a method of assembling on the ground, then hoisting into place. Bob builds mostly with green wood, white pine and some oak.

Wes and Bob swapped timber framing stories about past projects in Brownfield, Munjoy Hill and Bar Harbor.

Dell showed pictures of a Powermatic shaper he bought on Craig's List and completely restored, including replicating the stripes with mylar pin striping tape.

Randy demonstrated a Kreg electric semi-automatic pocket hole machine that you simply clamp your piece and pull the handle. It's a single step operation.

Other items: Pat reminded us all that the Shelter Institute will have its holiday sale on December 9th.

Future Meetings:

- Saturday, December 16th Wes. 10:00 a.m. for officers, then general meeting at 1:00 p.m.
- January Ron Boes
- February David Barber
- March no meeting, quarterly tour. TBD
- April Rolf
- May Dell
- June - no meeting, quarterly tour. TBD

Andy Wallace has traditional boatworks in Eliot and Pat will check on going to his place for one of the quarterly tours.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Barbara White, Recording Secretary