

Meeting Notice:

July: Tuesday the 18th at 5:00 PM

Location: A Park, Marion,

Subject: *Camping Supplies*

Project: *Whatizit? – A tool others are unlikely to guess what it is*

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COLLINS WOODWORKERS GUILD NEWSLETTER

This month:

Camping Supplies

It's summer! Our outdoor activities generally increase this time of year, including our woodworking. The weather is much more acceptable to open up the garage door, or some windows to allow the fresh air to circulate. We often think about those outdoor projects as well.

Camping
Camp box/Camp kitchen



Picnic tables
Benches/Chairs

Games—Cornhole,



June Meeting:

The CWG had one of its strongest showings yet with 20 members attending the visit to Langhoff's Log and Lumber. Langhoff's Log and Lumber started in 1964, established by Bud Langhoff as a trade from his father-in-law for some logs. The primary log saw is a 60 inch blade with replaceable teeth. The Lumber business is only a part of the farm business. In addition they do tractor, trailer, and farm equipment welding and repairs, and farming.

Ralph Jr explained the business, and how they came to be the large provider of lumber and tractor repair they do.

We learned that in the early 60's there was a large industry and demand for wood with over 60 sawmills in existence in Iowa. Now there are less than 25. The current demand is for low-grade, stressed wood, with "character", but this changes for each person that walks in.

Ralph explained how mishaps cause major injuries when an employee isn't paying attention. After discussing the main sawmill, we had a wonderful meal of grilled hotdogs and hamburgers, chips, water and soda.

Then we were treated to homemade cookies!

We held the meeting portion of our visit. Joel lead the meeting with the June membership drawing. Joel won the gift card. Then

This month's project is *Whatizit? A tool others are unlikely to guess what it is.*

A DoHickie, CamClanker, Flumbuster? Names from Dr Suess books?? What's in your shop??

If one of you would like to share your shop in a newsletter, please contact the RC.CWG.newsletter@gmail.com.

NOTE: Does anyone have a way to measure the air-flow in a dust collector air duct? Please contact Larry Hanson (lphanson@gmail.com)

Upcoming projects:

July: Whatizit? – A tool others are unlikely to guess what it is

August: A favorite woodworking jig

What would you think about a swap meet?

We need ideas for new projects. Here is an opportunity to show off something that you have made. Suggest it as a project of the month.

We would really LOVE to come see your shop. Would you be willing to open your

Langhoff's Log and Lumber



we listened to each contributing member's modified tool—see the article on this subject.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Ralph took us to the planing shed. It was their old hog farrowing building.

The process to bring the lumber down from the rough-sawn lumber to near finished consists of several passes through the planer.

100% of all the by-products from the lumber is used. Saw dust is used for cattle bedding, ends can be used for sculptures and taxidermists, and there is always need for firewood.

We ended the tour in the sales shop. There were many species, and the prices was very good for woodworkers. Ralph does appreciate when a customer brings their finished products for them to see. He certainly enjoys working with woodworkers as each customer has unique needs and character reflected in their projects and choice of woods. The most important advertising they use is word-of-mouth, so be sure to tell all your family, friends and fellow woodworkers (and anyone needing repair to tractors/equipment).

We even made Google search!!

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Next CWG Meeting, Langhoff Log & Lumber Farm Visit Topic: Langhoff Log & Lumber Farm Visit
Food and drink provided. Project: Strangest Tool in your Shop

Last Month's project: A Modified tool in your shop

We had some interesting items brought to the June meeting. Perry had several items, a marking tool that he inserted into a hand-made wood sheath since the marking tool was the same material and texture as the surface of his saw so he wanted to distinguish the marking tool. There was a model rail adjustment tool, Bill brought his miter guide, a modified spade bit was presented, and Joel modelled his beach planer.



What Club Web Page? Part IV:

This is the fourth and final in a series of articles about the Guild's web site. This article will help you learn who is running this monkey house.

At the September membership meeting where we elect officers, I was sitting at the front of the room and there was some negotiation (arm-twisting) going on at the back of the room, so I didn't hear who got "elected" to all the offices. The next newsletter didn't have the officers right so I was still in the dark.

Maybe others were in the same boat, and we occasionally get new members who don't know many of us. So it was time to update the Staff page. There are new email addresses, and phone numbers are now images rather than text strings to slow down spambots. But the most exciting change is the addition of mug shots! If you know what your Guild officers look like, you'll understand why none of them wanted me to publish their pictures. But there they are.

To see the Staff page, just click the link on the left side of the [main page](http://rockwellcollinsclubs.com/clubs-ia/woodworkers/index.php) (<http://rockwellcollinsclubs.com/clubs-ia/woodworkers/index.php>):



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL rockwellcollinsclubs.com/clubs-ia/woodworkers/. The page features a logo for the Collins Woodworkers Guild and a vertical navigation menu with the following items: Toy Build, Links, Calendar, Gallery, Events, Library, Knot Knews, Staff, and Join Us. A red arrow points to the 'Staff' link. To the right of the menu, there is a 'Next' button and a 'Library' button. Below the 'Library' button, there is a message: "Our members have moved to a storage area. Check it out!".

Other notes from the June meeting

The Hand Works event was well attended in the Amanas. Those that went spoke well of the offerings and attendance.

Ray will see about booking the pavilion at the Robins city park for the July 18th CWG picnic.

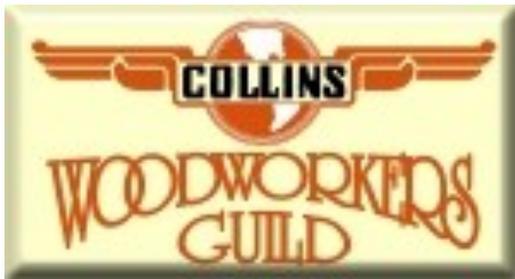
Paul Gibbs will try to contact Floyd Wesselink about the contact with a new sawmill that was recently started. Maybe we can book a tour there?

We are looking for more ideas and suggestions for planning for next year's meetings.



July meeting is a Picnic in the Park. Please bring a side dish to share, and your own drinks.





The Collins Woodworkers Guild is a club dedicated to preserving the age old practice of creation using the medium of wood. CWG members gather monthly to share tips, ideas and experience to further the knowledge of all members. From creating heirlooms for their families to Toys-For-Tots, members help each other get the most out of their woodworking experience.

Membership in the Collins Woodworkers Guild is open to ALL Rockwell Collins, Inc. Employees, Spouses, Retirees, and Contract Employees, AT ALL ROCKWELL COLLINS LOCATIONS!! Everyone is welcome at our meetings and yearly dues, renewed each September, are \$17.00

GUILD BENEFITS

- Access to our EXTENSIVE library of books, magazines and Tool Collection
- Open exchange of ideas, from project help to house building; and a hand when needed
- Social Activities
- Workshops
- Toys-For-Tots and other Programs to help our Community
- Educational and Informative Presentations
- Open Houses
- Tours

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