

BENCHMARK

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President's Report

The executive is currently working on several items including the website and a proposal to allow members of the public to scan the website for commercial services. We also considered and rejected a suggestion that the guild's membership list be made available for mass distribution of commercial materials.

We will provide more details on the use of the website by the public and commercial services in the November Benchmark and have a discussion on the subject during the November guild meeting.

A significant part of the current work is planning speakers for meetings and organizing Saturday workshops and shop tours. You will hear more from Karen and Keith on this in the near future.

The decision to bring the website up to date with current information on meetings speakers and guild activities will mean that we need a Webmaster so if any member wants to take this on or has a son or daughter who might be interested we would like to hear from them soon.

We anticipate this will take about 2-4 hours per month and we will pay for the services on an hourly basis. Please email me if you are interested. Thank you.

Bryan Kemper
President

October's guest speaker is Brent Beach. A fellow Victoria woodworker who has just had an article published in Fine Woodworking (June 2006 issue# 184).

He will be demonstrating and discussing his sharpening technique using fine micron sandpaper, plate glass and a spritz of mineral oil, to sharpen plane blades and chisels. More fuel for the fire in water vs. oil stones and now both vs. sandpaper! Come on out and see how he does it. You can also read-up on the technique on line on the Fine Woodworking web site.

On line for the November meeting is our own Keith Battersby who is currently working on an on-going timber frame project. He has a huge wealth of photo's of the project which show lots of the fine details of what it takes to build like this.

Karen Trickett

OCTOBER MEETING

Camosun College - Fine Furniture Program Building
Tuesday, October 10th. 7:15 PM



Not an ordinary desktop organizer! Ebony casing, ivory feet and all the marquetry is original (sawn veneer from France) wood colors except the blue and green pieces. It took 650 hours of hand work since no power tools are involved in the making of this piece. The maker is Patrick Edwards from San Diego CA. You can view the maker's website at this address: <http://home.pacbell.net/ebeniste/> or <http://www.woodcentral.com/shots/shot798.shtml>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WESTWIND HARDWOODS

We now are selling finished and unfinished name brand floors with the great **Joel** service smile. Also new to our inventory is 500 bd.ft. of KD 4/4" Western curly and Tiger striped Maple. New stock arriving in October is 4/4" Purple Heart, Genuine Mahogany (AKA Honduras) 12/4" American Cherry and new 4/4" American Black Walnut.

SALTSPRING WOODWORKS

Celia and Nick of Salt Spring Woodworks are looking for new work for their gallery, particularly a regular supply of interesting outdoor furniture both fine and rustic.

Please contact us at 250-537-9606 or at info@saltspringwoodworks.com

The Gallery of Artisans

The Gallery of Artisans is a co-op store that opened at 811 Fort St. in mid-July 2005. It consists of members and consignment artists, and three members of the Wood Guild presently exhibit there. Products include pottery, weaving, welded sculpture, stained glass, fused glass, jewelry, paper books, furniture, wood turnings, folk art and other items. The gallery is relatively high-end, with some expensive items.

For the month of November the Gallery is offering to promote the Wood Guild by exhibiting and selling items produced by Guild members. If you have one or several items you are proud of and would like to show off, you may contact Judy Seeley (studiojude@shaw.ca) or Michael Harvey (652-1868, ui983@victoria.tc.ca) for more information. Or visit the Gallery. Please let us know as soon as possible so this display can be organized.

Michael Harvey

Remember, October is the **SHOWTIME!!!! WOODWORKING TOOL SHOW & SALE**

October 13-15 Pearkes Rec. Centre @ Tillicum Mall Victoria, BC Friday 11am-9pm Sat 10am-6pm and Sun 10am-4pm

October 20-22 Cloverdale Rodeo & Exhibition Grounds Surrey, BC Friday 11am-9pm Sat 10am-6pm and Sun 10am-5pm

The Furniture Society

The 2007 Furniture Society conference will be held in Victoria, BC. The Victoria Conference Committee has issued a call for entries to all Furniture Society members from the Pacific Northwest area for the exhibition: **Cascadia: Studio Furniture from Makers in Oregon, Washington and British Columbia**

You can find more information about the exhibition, and entry forms, at this URL:

<http://www.furnituresociety.org/conference2007>

The exhibition will run from June 1 - 30, 2007, and is open to all studio furniture makers in the Pacific Northwest region (Oregon, Washington, British Columbia, Alaska, Yukon Territory). Entry deadline is January 1, 2007. Please pass the word to other makers in your area who might be interested in participating.

This email has been sent to all FS members in Oregon, Washington and British Columbia, Alaska, and the Yukon. Thanks for your continued support of the Furniture Society. We hope you take advantage of the opportunity to participate in this unique exhibition and conference. If you have any questions please contact Cam Russell Chair, Victoria Exhibitions Committee, 2609 Belmont Ave. Victoria, BC Canada V86 4A6 Tel: 250-598-1383 Fax: 250-598-2501 email: coventryww@pacificcoast.net

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE

General (Canadian made) 8" longbed jointer w/ 2 sets of knives. New last fall, as new condition. \$ 3000.00
 Union 14" bandsaw, older but in good working order.
 \$ 350.00 Dewalt 13" heavy duty planer, as new condition, w/ 2 sets of knives. \$500.00 Call
Keith Battersby @ 250-655-7029 or keithb@telus.net

FOR SALE

80's model US made Delta 14" Bandsaw w/ 1-1/2 hp Baldor, full ball bearing guides, new high-tension spring, micro-adjusting large fence and \$100 worth of blades \$500
 Excalibur overhead tablesaw blade guard w/ dust collection never installed, new in the box. \$400
 Call **Chico @ 858-4588 or sfww@shaw.ca**

FOR SALE

I recently bumped into some maple that a fellow is willing to sell fairly reasonable. There is approximately 10000 board feet .
 It is still in log form and some is still standing. I am getting about 3000 board feet cut into live edge slabs. The price is \$1.50 per bdft .including taxes.
 Call **Dan @ (250) 245 3956**

FOR SALE

Sears Craftsman router-crafter with router. \$70
 Call **John Magwood @ 477-1186**

FOR SALE

10" Delta Contractors Saw.1 1/2hp with extension tables and 32" Unifence Router insert in extension table and 4" dust port, Guard/splitter, mitre fence, wrench and manuals. \$600. Rockwell/ Beaver 6" jointer. On stand with 4" dust port and manual. \$200. Both machines owned since new and in excellent working order. Call
Jim Watson @ 656 6522

HELP WANTED

to cut wood for storm windows. Willing to bring wood to your shop. Call **Stephen @ 721-1764**

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Please use e-mail for your classified submissions. If you must phone to submit your ad, please do so after 8:00 pm any day of the week. Cut-off time is exactly one week prior to the guild meeting.