Nov. 2022 Newsletter

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Minutes of Nov. 5th. Meeting

We met Saturday Nov. 5th at the Folk Art Center, Asheville, N.C..

Paul Purdue welcomed new members Ken Jackson, Dan Larkin, and Dan Dyer . All three new members were introduced to the club through the recent Klingspor Extravaganza Booth, Hickory, NC

Paul thanked those involved in manning the booth at the extravaganza, including Bonnie Richardson, David Oliver, Charlie Brown, David Wanucha and of course Paul Purdue.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

The venues and dates for 2023 meeting are yet to be determined.

Typical venues have included:

- Klingspor's in Hickory N.C.
- Sauer's Veneers in Lexington , N.C.
- Herzog's Veneers in High Point, N.C.
- Folk Art Center in Asheville, N.C.
- Any additional suggested venues?

• Elections for Board Officers

The attending members at the meeting elected the following officers of the club:

- Paul Purdue; President
- Dave Wanucha, Treasurer
- John Fenwick, Secretary (WNC)
- Julie Russel, Secretary (ENC)
- Open Office, Vice President

• Discussion/Action Items :

- **Full 501c(3) status.** It was decided that the Club was not ready to proceed with this designation at this time and the issue is tabled for now.
- Website Upgrades/Updates: Charlie Brown emphasized that our website is key to our expanding visibility and attracting new members and recognition.
 Jim Davis has done an outstanding job in developing the Website in its existing

format but is currently recovering from back surgery and will not be available for the foreseeable future to provide updates/upgrades.

Charlie made a plea for a member with some website design/editing experience to accept responsibility for this task.

John Fenwick accepted responsibility for maintaining and upgrades to the Marquetarians of the Carolina website.

- Marquetry Featured at Museums:

Ken Jackson had visited the Colonial Williamsburg Museum Furniture exhibit. Well worth the visit for inspiration and a learning experience.

David Wanucha shared information on a conference at Winterthur, "The wonder of Wood", "Decorative Inlay and Marquetry in Europe and America 1600 – 1900" which occurred at the end of April this year.

There were twenty four recorded videos of the conference presentations you can view at the following link: https://vimeo.com/showcase/9521012. The password is winterthur. Please remember to use all lower case. A lot of interesting content!

Yadkin Cultural Art Center Exhibition:

David Wanucha mentioned we had about 7 folks signed up to exhibit up to 30 pieces this Spring from April 27 through June 23, 2023 at the Yadkin County Cultural Arts Center in the Welborn Gallery. There are openings available if we want to include more of our work.

David will contract exhibiters by email to organize collection of works for the exhibit. Bonnie said she will send out the formula to help exhibitors set prices based on a 25% Center contribution.

- <u>Treasury Report:</u> David Wanucha reported that the club has \$2800 in our bank account and that there were no disbursements over this year.
- <u>Membership Roster Update:</u> Bonnie Richardson reported that the current paid-up membership stands at 31 members. The next membership listing will be sent out after being updated with new members. Membership dues for 2023 is will be \$15/yr.
- <u>American Marquetry Society:</u> We are currently not affiliated with them at this time. We will monitor the situation and consider our position in the future.

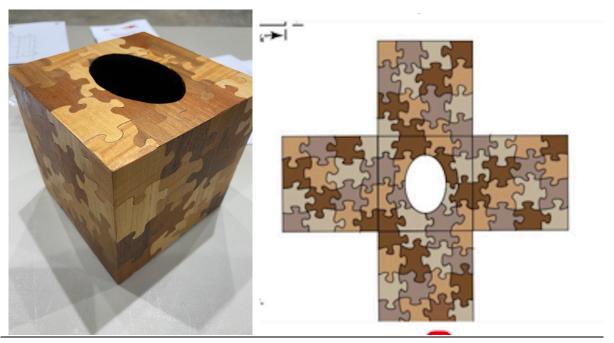
Presentation:



Dave Oliver discussed how he designed a Puzzle Pattern Box using the design in Ken Horner's "Basis Marquetry & Beyond" which John highly recommended.

Steps Involved:

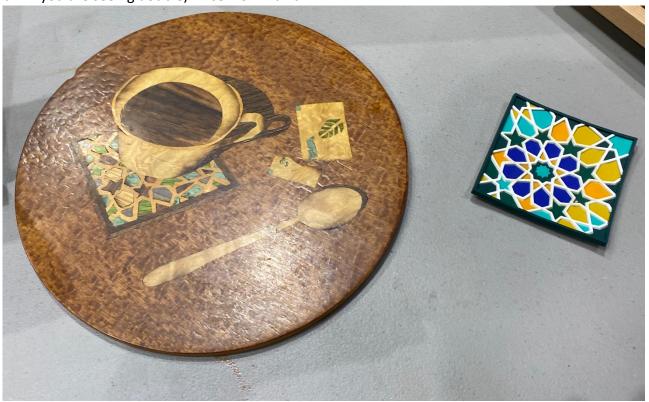
- 1.) Build Box
- 2.) Design Puzzle sides, maintaining same veneer around corners and wrapping around sides. (see design below). Can freehand pattern design.
- 3.) Make packet with four pieces of veneer. Cut with 2/0 Blade on scroll saw.
- 4.) Slightly overlap edges so you can trim with knife.
- 5.) Glue pattern to sides, cutting any opening after covering box.



Notice how pattern wraps around sides and forms corners from the same veneer.

Show and Tell:

David Wanucha shows his coffee table top incorporating a 13th century Muslim architectural pattern called Moucharabieh, shown to the right (Use it as a coaster on the table and you will think you are seeing double). Nice work David.





Ken Jackson showed us the game he built called "Close the Box" Ken demonstrated how the game is played with a pair of dice. Looked like fun.

While the inside top and bottom featured Walnut and Maple veneers, the most impressive craftsmanship were the maple number elements which can be flipped over as the game is played. Each maple flapper was hand routed for the numbers to be inlayed with walnut veneer. (Looked perfect even close-up!)



Bonnie Richardson shows some of her latest creations. The two on the left are quilting patterns. The veneer bordering really makes these pictures stand out. Beautiful work Bonnie, thanks for sharing.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 with several having lunch locally.