Newsletter of the

Garden State Marquetry Society - PLUS

Founded in 1983

April, 2015

General Meeting

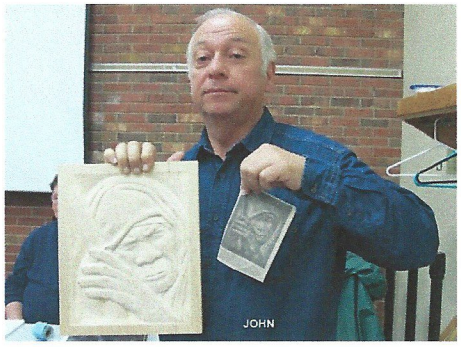
John Truskowski called the meeting to order at 9:30. Henry Buccino is back after and extend absence due to a heart attack and undergoing a triple bypass. Its' good to have you back Henry! John has purchased a number of DVDs for the club which will be available shortly. Check with Henry for more info. Volunteers are need to help with the monthly newsletter. Joe cilino is working on a format but there isn't much information available. The plan is to have the newsletter accessible from our web site. A number of woodworking catalogs and flyers were available to the members. We are lucky to have a number of new members who visited our booth at the February Wood Show and expressed interest in joining. For those of you who don't know why the club has the word PLUS in it, John talked about the club evolving into more than just Marquetry. We are a diverse organization and the name should reflect all our interest. Prizes for the "Show & Tell" and for the Door Prize is a box of wood clamps and set of carving tools respectively. John found glue syringes for those small jobs- 2pk/$2. Check out the tool table.

Money from sales at the meetings is used to purchase additional, tools, supplies, books and DVDs etc. for the club. Thanks for your continued support not to mention its' the best deal around on all items. Attendance was low due to the Easter weekend. It was decided that the club would start using a recorder to capture all the information discussed during the general meeting. Frank Garcia volunteered to bring in a recorder for the meetings.

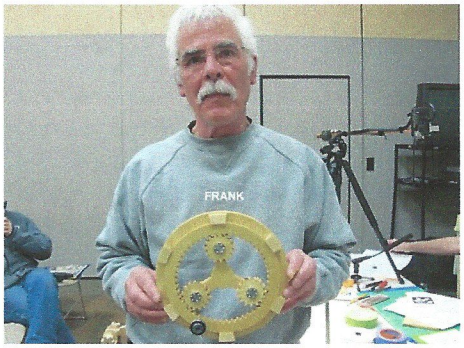
Treasury Note:

PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES IF YOU ARE NOT UP TO DATE. SEE CAROL IF YOU ARE NOT SURE.

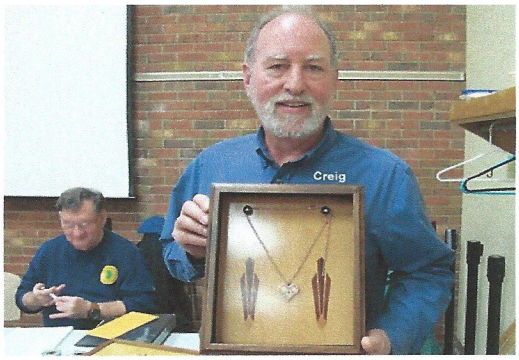
Show & Tell



John's progress on his carving "Blind Faith" from a newspaper



Frank Garcia holding yet another creation –a Rope Making device

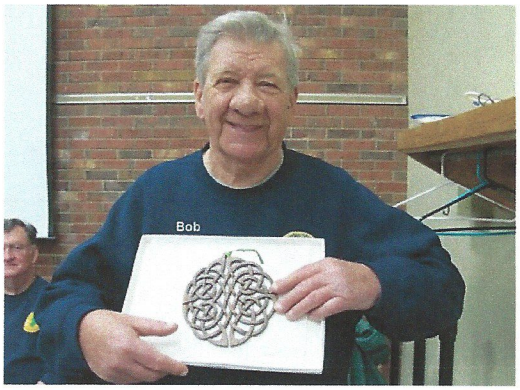


Craig completed a shadow box using a Newton Nylon finish

George amused the group with his "self back patter"

Charlie demonstrated his Marquetry design of Rose Bud leave patterns and a frame suggested by his better half.

Pete carved a Snowman & a Pirate out of Bass wood



Bob Lewis Shows his enthusiasm for Celtic patterns. This one made of Walnut

Carol Smith's rendition of the "Last Supper

Paul Chen 's progressing nicely on Owl relief carved on part of a walnut tree

Drawing Winners:

(Door Prize) Dennis Rozak, (Show & Tell) Craig Newton

Library

The club library contains "tons" of books, magazines, publications DVDs and more. These resources are managed by Henry and are ready for you to borrow and guide you trough your project.

GREAT to have Henry back!!!!

Tools & More

Paul ponders what to buy at the tool tables. Hear, one can find everything from sandpaper to drill bit sharpeners to—just about anything one needs for their project.

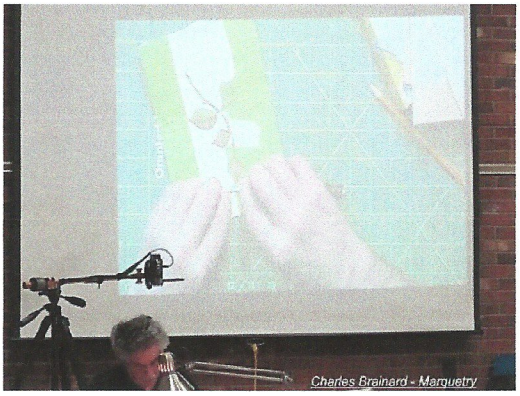
John Truskowski, our club president, has developed many contacts over the years enabling him to buy the tools at cost. The revenue from the parts sold is returned to the treasury..

Tech Session

Marquetry techniques Part 2

This month Charlie Brainard continued where he left off at the March session. Supplies necessary are a self healing matt, tape, knives with #2 blade, honing strop, pattern and green blue and freezer tape. Charlie stressed not to use regular masking tape as it is to tacky and might not release the wood thus damaging your project. He also demonstrated the following:

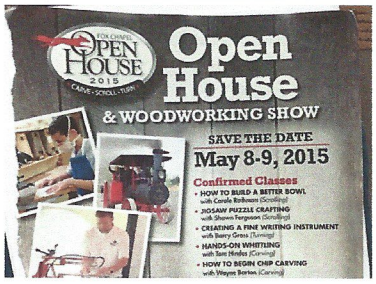
- Pay attention to the wood grain on each piece cut to determine how the object will look when finished
- Move the pattern when cutting rather than twisting your arm and hand. This will make cutting easier.
- Insert cut piece into the base piece from the back piece.
- After the cutting is complete and the pieces are in place cover the face or "show side" with white *vanio* tape.
- Allow to dry for one day making sure the there is adequate weight on top to prevent curling.
- Remove the green tape from the back. The longer the tape is left on the harder it is to remove. Remember NEVER USE MASKING TAPE.
- Remove the white tape after one day using a damp moist cloth/paper towel and the back of the knife blade.
- The white tape contains a small amount of clear glue which seals the cut pieces.



Upcoming Events

- Fox Chapel open house May 8-9 near Lancaster, PA.

  Many workshops and books will be available.



- Grizzly tent sale May 16th and September 19th. Good discounts but you need to beat the crowd by being there very early.
- NE Woodcarvers Roundup in Homedale, Pa in July. Chuck and Eva will be holding workshops. Attendees will be responsible for the cost of materials for the workshop they attend, as well as meals, lodging etc.

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Regular meetings are held on the first Saturday of every month at 9:00 AM, (except July and August) at the Monmouth County Library, North on Rt. 9 and Symees Rd, Manalapan, NJ. Guests are always welcome.

Contributions to the *newsletter* are always welcome, and members are encouraged to participate. Articles, shop hints and news items may be submitted directly to The Editor as typed manuscript or electronic files, either on discs or by e-mail. Handwritten notes or other materials will be considered depending on the amount of editing and preparation involved.

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