October 9, 2016 Meeting Notes

Six people attended the Columbus Day weekend meeting at the Woodcraft Store in Manchester, CT. We discussed the status of the Woodworking Show, which will be January 13-15, 2017, Eastern States Exposition, 1305 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, MA. The show will run Friday 12-6; Saturday 10-6; Sunday 10-3. We need to decide if we want to participate, and who will man the booth during the event. We also discussed possible plans for future meeting, and the status of our membership. I will send out an email to all people on our mailing list after the holiday to see who wishes continue to receive the club news and I will update the mailing list accordingly.

Our theme for this month Halloween, and Bill B. brought in some bat ornaments, and Muriel brought an autumn leaf wreath. I brought in a "Good friends, good wine, good times" plaque - not exactly on theme, but it was one of the pieces I had made for an upcoming craft fair.

Dick then lead us through the process he used to make the parts for three of the toy motorcycles he is making. Dick spends extra time reviewing the drawings before he starts, and adds additional information, block outlines, and centerlines to the Toymaking Plans drawings. He also drills alignment holes and uses brass pins to align the parts during assembly. All of his extra time and work pays off when he makes his second motorcycle, which then takes much less time to build and assemble. His tips and techniques were really interesting for me since I am planning on making a toy motorcycle for one of my sons who purchased a real one late this summer.

That was it for this meeting; the next meeting is December 11, 2016, at the Woodcraft store in Manchester, CT. Hope to see many of you there.

Arnie