



## Newsletter

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### President's Letter

Dear Members,

The crisp winter air has certainly made its presence known here in Missouri, but take heart—spring is just around the bend. Before long, the days will lengthen, the temperatures will rise, and we'll find ourselves surrounded by the renewal that comes with the season.

In that spirit of renewal, our February meeting will focus on **furniture restoration**. I'll be sharing some of the techniques I've learned while fixing and restoring a few pieces over the years. There's something truly rewarding about studying how another woodworker built something—seeing their choices, their craftsmanship—and then working to bring the piece back to what the original maker envisioned. It's like stepping into their shoes for a bit, learning from their work while giving new life to something that might otherwise be discarded.

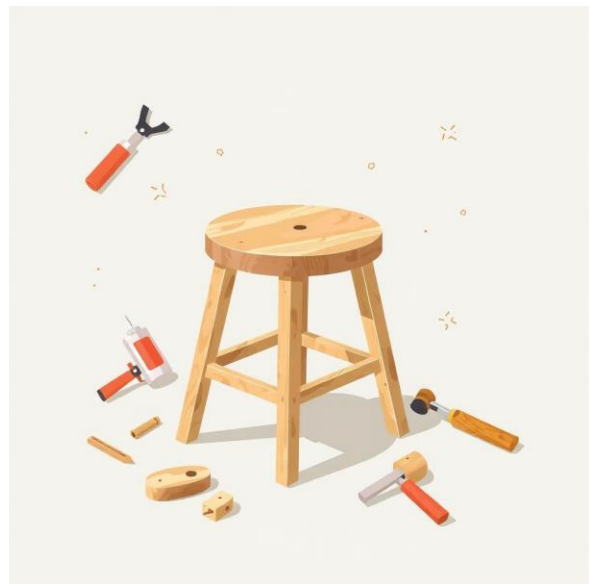
Whether you're a seasoned restorer or just curious about the process, I hope you'll join us for what should be a fun and informative discussion. See you at the meeting!

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Loyd".

John Loyd

President, Missouri Woodworkers Association



## **FEBRUARY NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- The February meeting will be held at Sawdust Studios on the 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM
  - o Address: 3150 Paris Rd, Columbia, MO 65202
- There **will** be a club officers meeting before the meeting at 6 PM.

## **SAVE THE DATE!**

We will have a BBQ/picnic on June 21<sup>st</sup> at the Collins shelter at Stephens Lake park here in Columbia. It will be lunchtime thing around 11 AM. More details will be listed as we get them.

## **FUTURE 2025 MEETINGS:**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Topic</b>
March 24th	Norm will present Drunkin Joinery. Will be at his shop
April 28th	John will present on finishing projects with a HVLP Sprayer
May 26th	Sam Gunter will present on wood carving.
June 21st	MWA BBQ and officer elections (June 21st)

## **FURNITURE RESTORATION/REPAIR ON YOUTUBE**

There are numerous Youtube channels on the topic of furniture restoration. Here are a few to get started if you have an interest.

John's Furniture Repair—Canadian shows repair/restoration/refinishing of a variety of furniture pieces; gives good information about color matching. Unfortunately, some of the products she uses are not available in the United States.

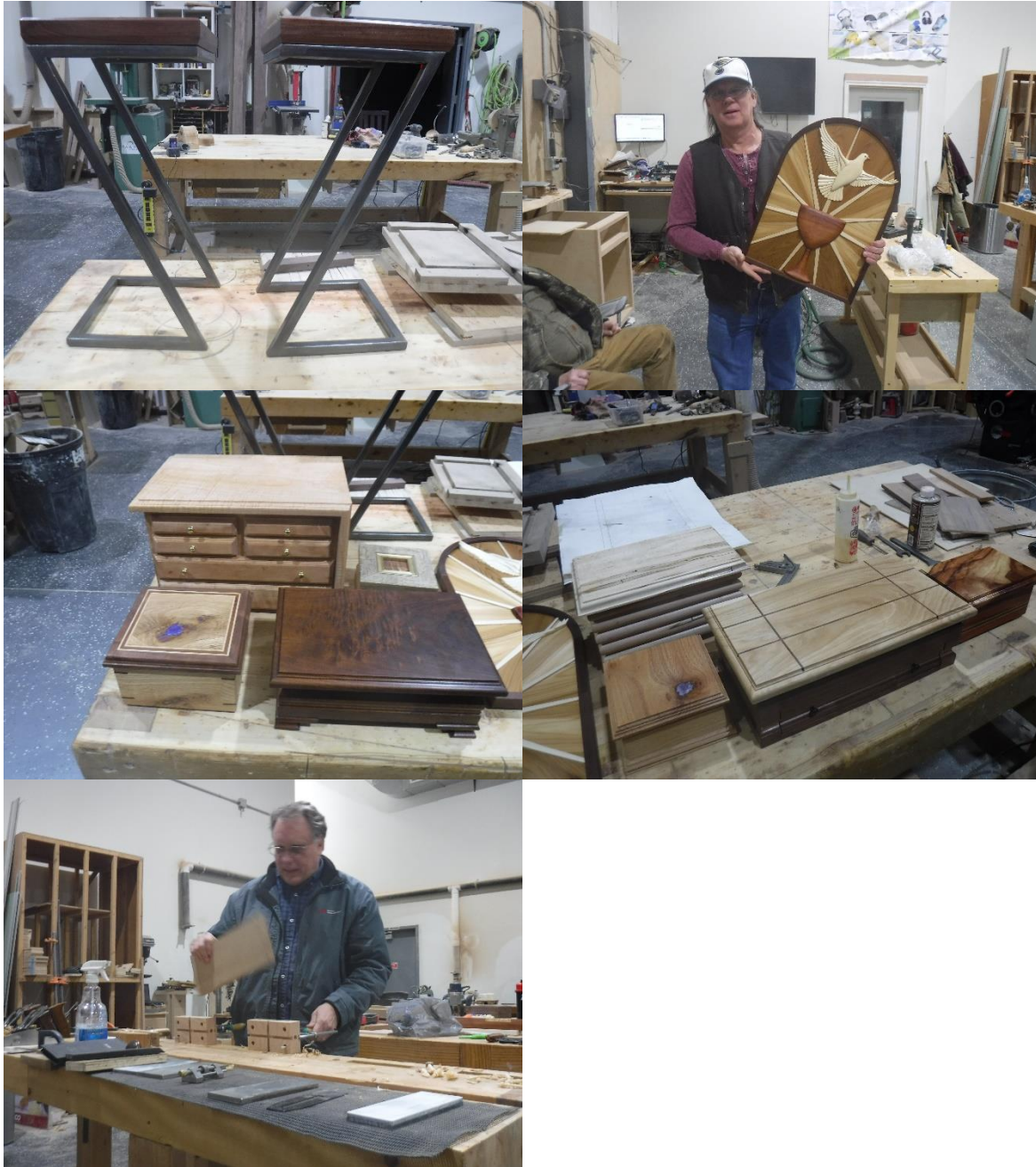
Fixing Furniture—Another Canadian explains step-by-step proper (in his opinion) methods to repair furniture.

Thomas Johnson Antique Furniture Restoration—Based in Maine, this longtime artist/craftsman shows methods to make new parts and reinforce damaged parts as well as ways to match color on a variety of antique pieces.

## **ALWAYS REMEMBER**

Kowing how something is done is one thing. Being able to do it is another.  
Every woodworker needs a fireplace.

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