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Next Meeting: **Annual Picnic**

August 30, 2012
Queen Anne Hill
Address and time
to follow

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President's Memo To Members

— by Bob Schaefer

URGENT MESSAGE REGARDING THE ANNUAL PICNIC/MEETING

As in previous years the annual picnic/meeting is planned to take place Thursday, August 30 in the afternoon. However this year there are some changes which must be addressed.

First, Ed Moore will not be hosting the affair which he and Marly have done so graciously for several years.

Secondly, I will be out of the country from August 15 through August 31. This is a situation over which I had no control and was non-negotiable.

Thirdly, I have secured a venue which I know would be a really great place for the event. It is located in an ideal meeting site in a large condominium building on Queen Anne Hill. It consists of a large room (about the same size as the classroom at Woodcraft--maybe even a little larger) which can be set up with tables and chairs, has a kitchen, a bar and a piano. The room adjoins a truly big outdoor deck (about 2/3 the size of a tennis court at least) which affords a marvelous view of downtown Seattle, Elliott Bay and mountains. I have attended numerous functions in this place and can attest to what a great meeting site it is.

HOWEVER, since I will not be present there is an urgent and imperative need for someone or several people to manage the affair. I will be available until August 14 to help in an advisory capacity.

Therefore I am making this URGENT REQUEST as mentioned above. I also need know how many of you will attend--for planning purposes.

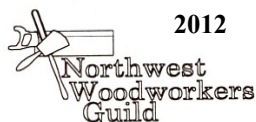
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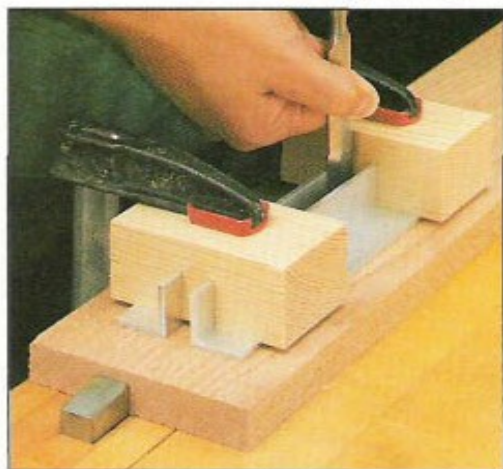
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Mortising Jig



■ Like many woodworkers, I cut mortises by first drilling out most of the waste. Then clean up the sides with a chisel. But it's difficult to get the sides square with the face. To solve this, I made a simple jig to guide the chisel.

The jig consists of a pair of aluminum angle pieces to guide the chisel. And two wooden brackets that space the aluminum angle to match the width of the mortise. By clamping the top of the brackets, both the jig and workpiece are held in place, see photo.

To position the jig accurately

on the mortise, I use a couple of dowels (the same width as the mortise) as index pins. They fit in the holes drilled at each end of the mortise, see Fig. 1.

To use the jig, butt the aluminum angle against the dowels on both sides, see Fig. 1. Now all you have to do is cut a pair of kerfs in each bracket and slip it over the angle, see Fig. 2.

Finally, clamp each bracket and remove the dowels before you begin to chisel, see Fig. 2a.

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