



The Carpenter's Boat Shop

Building boats, nurturing lives, helping others

Appreciation

Every Wednesday morning after breakfast, the Boat Shop community gathers for Family Meeting—a time when the apprentices and the staff talk together about how we are doing living as a community. The topics raised and discussed during Family Meeting often address things that are not going very well. *Dishes are being left in the sink over the weekend and not being washed and put away before Monday morning. Lights are being left on in unused spaces at night. Quiet hours are not being respected in the dormitory spaces. Etc.* Yes, often, Family Meeting is a time filled with issues of complaint and conflict.

Is this a bad thing? Certainly not! We constantly remind ourselves that true community is built through conflict. If we cannot address our differences, we will never be able to live together in an open and honest way. Yet, at the same time, week after week of Family Meetings full of dealing with discord can also feel challenging.

This is why, about three years ago, we instituted an Appreciation Box. We literally built a box with a removable lid and slot through which we encourage each other to insert short written messages of appreciation for one another throughout each week. And, now, as we begin each Family Meeting, we open up the box, and the meeting facilitator reads aloud all of the week-long accumulated appreciations. It is a beautiful and uplifting way to start Family Meeting, and more often than not,



helps to establish an air of gratitude and good feeling amongst us all.

Much research has been done in the name of good management, positive parenting, and effective discipline with regard to finding the right ratio of praise to criticism. It turns out that it takes far more statements of praise to equal or balance the effects of just one piece of criticism, even when it is constructive criticism. It turns out that we humans tend to hear criticism a lot more 'loudly' than we hear praise. Think back over your own history of relationships with teachers, employers, and parents. What words do you remember the best? While we can all remember moments of great encouragement and motivation, sadly, it is those words of criticism that stay with us the longest.

We try to infuse every day here at the Boat Shop with words and acts of appreciation, and not just by filling our Appreciation Box. We teach boat building not by focusing on mistakes made, but rather on how to fix those mistakes. We offer thanksgiving before and after every meal. We encourage one another through all of our stumbles and failings. How might our relationships, our communities, and our world change if we all focused a bit less on judgment and a lot more on appreciation?

Many blessings to you,
Kimberly J. Hoare
Executive Director



Winter in the Shop

We are having an incredibly productive year in our workshops. We have also been excited to be building a number of boats “on spec,” which allows us the opportunity to expand the variety of wooden boats that we will have for sale in our showroom this spring. The apprentices are just completing a Shellback Dinghy and are now starting on a semi-dory. Please enjoy what our instructor, Sarah Highland, has to say about this next boat:

Our new 14’ semi-dory project is taken from John Gardner’s classic *The Dory Book*. This design has been put to the test under oars, sail, and various sizes of motor by a builder who corresponded with Gardner. The apprentices put their new lofting skills to work laying down the lines of the boat full-scale on the shop floor. We then put headless nails into the outline of each cross-section of the boat and lightly hammered pattern stock onto the nails ends to transfer the shape and create a pattern for each frame, or rib, of the boat. We are now cutting out the frames in three parts—two sides and a bottom—and

fastening these into rigid assemblies with gussets. Dories generally have only four or so frames, spaced every couple of feet.

At the same time, we are gluing up a rugged oak transom and a two-part oak stem, and scarfing up the long bottom boards that run fore and aft the length of the boat. Once all these pieces are ready, we will be able to connect them to create the framework on which we’ll plank the boat.

The backbone of a dory is a bit different from that of an oak-keeled dinghy. It has a different name as well: the “skillet.” We tend to think of building the skillet as the “dead bug” stage of dory construction, as you can see in the photo of another dory we built a few years ago. The completed skillet includes not only the bottom and frames, but the stem and transom as well.

We are excited to offer a different kind of boat than our showroom has seen in a number of years.

—Sarah Highland

40 Years!

The Carpenter’s Boat Shop is turning 40 in June!

Here is a preview of some of the ways that we will be celebrating this exciting milestone this summer...

**“All Hands on Deck”
Dinner and Auction**

June 26

Apprentice Reunion

July 24-28

Open House & Ice Cream Social

July 27

Watch for more information to come on our website and social media and in our Spring Newsletter!

A Note of Thanks...

Many thanks to all who have contributed to our new fund, Ruth’s Covenant, established in memory of our co-founder Ruth Ives to support our apprenticeship program. Donations will be welcomed for Ruth’s Covenant in perpetuity. Please use the enclosed donation envelope or visit our website at www.carpentersboatshop.org/support.

Apprentice Personal Projects

One of the perks of our apprenticeship program is that the apprentices are welcomed and encouraged to make use of our workshops in the evenings and on the weekends to work on their own personal projects. This year’s apprentice crew has been particularly productive and creative in their use of their personal shop time. Enjoy taking a look at a small sampling of their projects!





Summer 2019 Classes

Woodturning for Beginners

June 24-28 (1/2 days)

Designed specifically for beginners, this class is an introduction to the lathe, use of all tools, and tool handling. Students will turn a variety of projects including honey dippers, bowls, goblets, lidded boxes, and platters.

Young People's Woodworking

July 1-3 and 5

This 4-day class for youth aged 10-14 will provide an introduction to basic woodworking. The class will focus on how to use basic hand and small power woodworking tools. The students will work on various projects throughout the week that they can take home.

Adirondack Chair Building

July 1-3 and 5

Students will each build their own Adirondack chair using The Carpenter's

Boat Shop's original design called the "Pemaquid Style." This class is an excellent introduction to doing woodworking with power tools. Safe use of the table saw, radial arm saw, jointer, and shaper table will be taught.

Boat Building with Bobby Ives

July 8-12

This class is open to all, beginning and advanced woodworkers. The class will introduce students to the fundamentals of traditional boat building. Daily lectures will be given in tool use, sharpening, boat design, and wood technology. The class together will construct a traditional Monhegan skiff.

Coopering

July 29-August 1

Students will learn the ancient art of "wet" coopering (barrel-making), making a bucket traditionally used for carrying

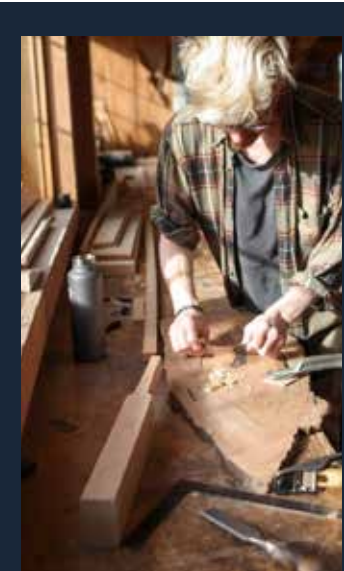
milk, butter, or cheese. Students will receive instruction on a variety of tools specific to coopering: the drawknife, the coopering drawknife, the jointer plane, the croze, and others. Students will also receive some instruction in metallurgy.

Women's Woodworking

July 29-August 2

This class is offered for women only to help create an empowering atmosphere of learning and community. Students will receive an introduction and overview to general woodworking terms, tools (both hand tools and power tools) and woodworking techniques. Each student will complete and take home at least one woodworking project.

For full class descriptions, prices, and registration information, please visit our website at www.carpentersboatshop.org/summer-programs





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Newsletter—Winter 2019

Wishlist

For the Campus, Library and Kitchen...

Glass door reach-in refrigerator—\$1,800
Lawn tractor snow plow blade and tire chains—\$400
Portable sound system—\$300
Industrial baking pans—\$200
Mouse-proof storage bins—\$200
Woodenboat Magazine on thumb drive—\$170
Eco-friendly detergents: laundry, dishwasher and dish soap, a year's supply—\$150
Gas Gift Cards (Shell, Irving, Sunoco, Mobil)—variable
Grocery Gift Cards (Hannaford)—variable
Amazon Gift Cards (cleaning products) —variable

For the Workshops...

SawStop Table Saw—\$2,700
TotalBoat JD Boat Lift System—\$900
30-gallon vertical air compressor—\$500
Helical cutter head for Dewalt planer—\$350
Makita router 2-1/4 hp—\$200
3-ton Floor Jack—\$170
Makita Circular Saw, Model 5007—\$120
Makita Lithium Ion 18V Battery—\$80
Dewalt 4 1/2" Grinder—\$80
LED shop light bulbs (x100)—\$18 each
Vintage Delta Band Saw

For Sale

New Boats (in stock or for order built by Spring 2019)

13' Catspaw Dinghy, sailing model—\$10,000
11'2" Shellback Dinghy, fully rigged—\$6,000
Monhegan Skiffs 9 1/2' and 11', plywood-sided and cedar lapstrake—\$1,800-\$2,100

Used and project boats (all boats sold as is)

22' Grand Banks 22, Dory Ketch, designed by Ted Brewer, includes all rigging, 5hp Honda 4-stroke outboard (like new condition)—\$10,000
21' Boothbay Harbor One Design Sloop, wooden—\$7,500
17' sloop, fiberglass Compac, with trailer—\$7,000
7' Old Town Yacht Tender (beautiful condition)—\$3,000
19' Lightning class daysailer—\$1500
13' Duster sailing dinghy w/ rig and sail—\$1,000
10' Cape Dory 10 sailing dinghy, fiberglass w/ rig—\$750
18' Kayak, North Bay design by Chesapeake Light Craft—\$500
17' Wherry, wooden, rowing—\$495

Furniture

Adirondack Chairs, cedar, \$195 (no finish)
Double Adirondack Chairs, \$350 (no finish)
Shaker Oval Boxes and Trays Cherry, maple and pine —\$20-65
Please check the showroom on our website for more items for sale!