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PROFESSIONAL UPHOLSTERERS' ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA

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P.U.A.M. MISSION STATEMENT

The Professional Upholsterers' Association of Minnesota is an organization of individuals and firms, joined together to advance, support, and promote the field of Upholstery.

Presidents Corner

Our annual PUAM Christmas Party brought together many of our loyal members for a night of holiday dining, storytelling, laughing through the white elephant gift exchange, and of course, desert. It was again held at Jimmy's Event Center in Vadnais Heights who provided a festive atmosphere, excellent food & their staff's attentive service made for a wonderful evening. Thank you, Geneva & Angela for all your time and effort planning and executing this annual event.

I am looking forward to 2024 with anticipation of more opportunities to engage with each other by sharing our knowledge & experience and growing our membership by connecting with more Minnesota Upholsterers.

Angela & I wish each of you a very Merry Christmas season and a Happy & Prosperous New Year!

Your President, Paul Henly

GENERAL MEETING

(You need not be a member to attend)

When: Thursday, January 11th, 2024

Time: 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Location: **Bloomington Custom Uphol**
2608 W 110th St
Bloomington MN 55431

Hosted by: Zoule VonWald

Phone: 952-884-2997

Direction: Your GPS will get you there. If you need help call Zoule

Meeting Schedule

6:00 – 7:00 pm Social hour
Snack & beverages provided

7:00 – 8:00 pm **Presentation**

8:00 - 9:00 pm Business Meeting
Reports, Old and New Business
Open Forum & Q&A

What were your most challenging or unusual projects in 2024?

Please come and share your most challenging or unusual project you did in 2024 or earlier. Please bring photos and tell us all about it.

What did you learn from it?

Did you do anything for any celebrities or a famous or well know location?

Did you have a project you've never done before after all your years in the business?

Please share your project with us!

UPCOMING MEETING INFO

The Professional Upholsterers Association of Minnesota's Education Committee will have some exciting programs at the membership meetings in 2023. The following meeting locations are:

Jan 11, 2024	Bloomington Custom Uphol
Feb 8	A-1 Foam & Upholstery Colorist/Artist Daniele Oelschlager
March 14	TBD

The PUAM meetings are monthly meetings to support each other and to share upholstery knowledge. If you have a topic or location that we can use, please contact Diana Peltier at 651-257-2706. Any suggestions will be greatly appreciated. Thank you! *All dates and locations are subject to change so watch the newsletter each month for any unforeseen changes. Thanks!

2022-2023 PUAM MEETING PRESENTATIONS

Upholstery History
Front end/Order Process
Channel Back Demo
Diamond Tufting
Foam Sculpting
PUAM Picnic
Business Liability Insurance
Tool Library
Annual Christmas Dinner Party
A-1 Foam & Upholstery Tour
Charlotte Fabrics
Time Standards
Retying Springs from the Bottom
Fabric-Ology
Future Foam Tour
French Mattress
All things Zippers

TIME STANDARD PICTURES AND HOURS

Please continue to send before and after pictures and the hours it took to do the project. Share as much detail as possible. Send to Angela Henly who has complied around 42 projects so far.

651-592-4008

REFINISHING & WOOD REPAIR ARTICLES

In October 2016 we had a Presentation by Kevin Southwick whom specializes in conservation and restoration of antiques and in custom wood finishes. Kevin also teaches furniture repair techniques that save lots of time. You can purchase copies of 16 of his articles about refinishing and wood repair. If you didn't get the opportunity to purchase his articles we have plenty of sets for sale. \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members. This is a discounted amount from what he was selling them for. One of the PUAM perks!

What helps one of us, helps all of us. We are stronger when we work together, help each other, and share ideas.

DVD SET OF UPHOLSTERY INSTRUCTION CLASSES

There are copies of the Upholstery Instructional classes available on DVD. A set of 5 for \$25.00.

SET INCLUDES:

Introduction to Upholstery - A home Course

The Main Art of Refinishing

Upholstery - Planning, Sewing, and Application

Upholstery Sewing Machine Cleaning & Oiling

Upholstery - Skirts, Layout & Application

If you'd like just 1 or 2 or this set that could be arranged also.

Contact Angela if you are interested in having your very own copy for reference, or if you ordered them and have not yet received them.

Angela 612-592-4008

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2023 ANNUA PUAM CHRISTMAS PARTY

The PUAM Christmas Party was held in Vadnais Heights at Jimmy's Bar and Grill. We had our own room in the back which was festively decorated by Angela and Geneva. Thanks Ladies! A good time was had by all 13 of us.



Gina, Mavis, Diana P, Geneva, Diana G, Angela, Sarah.



Paul, Terry, & Ernest



David
& Zoule

Mavis made everyone pet pigeon hats



Both Dianas think they make good nose warmers!



Anna, Ernest, Gina, Terry, Geneva, Diana G,
Angela, Diana P, Paul, Mavis, Sarah, Zoule, and
David



Sarah, Geneva, Anna, & Angela

White Elephant gifts



Diana likes her gift!



Dauids Scratch offs



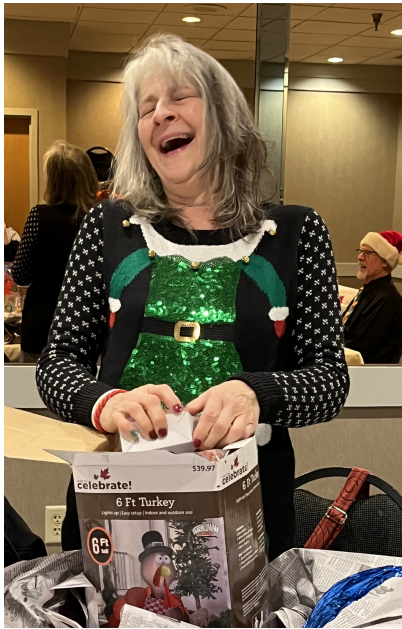
Angela taking David's scratch offs.



Paul & Angela



Zoule loved her squirrel feeder.

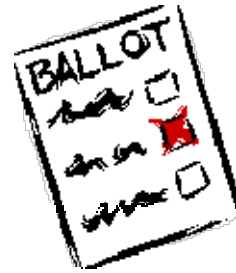


Anna loved her blow up Turkey!



Yummy Carrot cake and Chocolate cake for desert!

***It's ELECTION
TIME SOON***



SLATE FOR ELECTION OF OFFICERS
(Nominations taken until March Meeting Vote time)

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☐ Zoule VonWald
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☐ _____

AT LARGE
(15 are allowed) ☐ Mavis Nelson
☐ Geneva Erdman
☐ Sarah Sanna
☐ Ernest Mejia
☐ _____
☐ _____
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Please consider serving as an officer or board member for the PUAM. All Positions are open yearly and we especially need people to step up to serve as President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

. Please consider serving!!

Thanks, current officers for all the years of service!



PUAM CLASSIFIED ADS

Any member may place a free Ad here. Non-members fee is \$10.00 a month. Help wanted equipment for sale, etc.

Contact Diana Guenther, 763-755-9317 dlsguenth@gmail.com

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:

Randy's Booth Co. is a custom hospitality Furnishing Company located in Crystal, MN that is seeking a full time or part time person with experience in Commercial sewing and cutting willing to train if they have some experience.

Email: bert@randysboothco.com or
call (612) 229-4330 for more info

HELP WANTED:

CAREER OPPORTUNITY Plymold, 100% employee-owned furniture and fixture manufacturing company. Proudly showcased in restaurants around town including Subway, Dairy Queen, and Buffalo Wild Wings. Plymold offers rewarding career paths where the only limitation is your own dedication. More than 180 make up the team-oriented, fast paced work environment with a focus on continuously improving who we are, what we do and how we do it. We are proud of being an 100% employee-owned company and proud of our products. We are currently looking for upholsterers and industrial sewers to join our work team at our Kenyon, MN facility. Plymold offers reduced work schedules upon business availability, multiple shifts and generous benefits including 401(k) match. Interested in learning more? Take a look at the website with access to an online application at www.Plymold.com If you have additional questions and/or concerns please feel free to email us at careers@plymold.com

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

PUAM Newsletter with free classified Ads
Listing on the PUAM website
Networking Opportunities
Educational Presentation
Resource list of services
Swap and Sell Meets
Group Marketing
Discount group buys
Trade Show Participation
Expand your business and network with other industry professionals by becoming a member of the Professional Upholsterers Association of Minnesota. PUAM was started in 1989 and has members through out the state in all facets of the upholstery industry. Come check us out!



Who Are We?

The Professional Upholsterers' Association of Minnesota is an organization of individuals and firms, joined together to advance, support, and promote the field of Upholstery.

Want to join us? We would love to have you! To receive a membership application, call, go to our web site, write or e-mail us today:

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Inclement Weather

Now that we are in the cold winter **weather** months, this is a reminder that in the case of inclement weather we will not have in person meetings if any of the Twin City areas are under severe weather warnings. We may move to Zoom or postpone to another date. *Watch for Zoom instructions and date changes in your emails.

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