The location for our annual September meeting has changed from Dana Robes to Pinkerton Academy. Pinkerton is in Derry, NH. The date, time and agenda remain the same. The meeting will be held in the Low Building. There is parking behind the facilities next to the athletic fields. There is also overflow parking opposite the school across the Rt. 28 bypass.

Business Meeting – Two items of note this time are the election of officers and a discussion and membership vote on by-law adjustments. The proposed by-laws and change summary were included in the June issue of The Old Saw and may be viewed on-line at www.gnhw.org/mission.html.

Annual Auction – The annual auction is a big fund raiser, so let us get behind it and bring our hardly used “stuff” to be auctioned off. Last year we had so many good buys, it is rumored that ebay is coming to buy our “stuff” for resale on their internet site. Try to bring your items early so we can put it on display for all to look over.

Presentation – Jere Osgood has been designing and making furniture in his own workshop for almost fifty years. During this time he has received many awards for his furniture. He was named a Fellow of the American Craft Council in 1993 and was given the Award of Distinction by the Furniture Society in 2002. Jere’s work has been included in many permanent collections such as, the American Craft Museum (NY), the Museum of Fine Arts (Boston), the Renwick Gallery of the Smithsonian Institution’s National Museum of American Art and the Currier Gallery of Art. His work is also in many private collections. To view some of Jere’s work, go to www.furnituremasters.org.

Jere will present Process of Design after our break for lunch. Jere will show a few slides of his work – pieces he considers to be original. He will explain his approach to designing a piece of furniture, use of a sketch book, scale drawings, full size mock-up, shop drawings and then the making of the piece. Then he will explain how to design and the possible need to change his approach. Bring your questions as Jere has a wealth of knowledge to share. – Syd Lorandeau

Directions to Pinkerton Academy

1. From 93 South/North to exit 4 (Rt. 102 Derry/Londonderry)
2. End of exit ramp head east.
3. Go through two sets of lights.
4. After second set of lights follow approx. 1 mile through downtown (Hoodkroft Golf Course will be on right)
5. When you come to a rotary (circle) go around the circle and take the 4th exit off (make almost a complete circle) This will be By-Pass 28 North.
6. Go straight up the hill. Pinkerton Academy will be on the left hand side.