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Next Meeting:

Getting the Most Out of Your Table Saw

Tuesday

November 18th, 2008

7:00 PM

The Woodworking Shop
3141 Capital Boulevard
Raleigh, NC

Several members meet at 6:00pm
Buffalo Brothers Pizza & Wings
for dinner prior to the meeting

Tuesday November 18th
7:00 PM

Program: Getting the Most Out of Your Table Saw

The table saw is a highly versatile, frequently underutilized tool. It is the foundation of most woodworker's shop. Like most tools with moving parts, a table saw requires periodic maintenance and upkeep to keep it running at peak performance. Several aspects of table saw "health" should be considered, including, control of vibration; stability; cleanliness; alignment; arbor checks, (including checking for good blade and arbor fit); and belt alignment, since a misaligned belt can cause very strong vibration resulting in a very rough cut. These are just some of the checks that should be performed to ensure the quality performance of a table saw. This workshop presents an ideal opportunity to get your questions about the table saw answered.

Our resident woodworking guru Bruce Wren will discuss "Table Saw Tune-up Techniques" at the club meeting Tuesday, November 18th, 2008 at 7:00 pm. Bruce will introduce some of many tips that will be covered during the following Saturday workshop. Bruce will discuss different types of saws, selection of proper blades, improving efficiency, jigs, push sticks and centerboards. Be sure to join us for a very informative meeting.

Host: Brian Wagner

Saturday November 22th

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Workshop: Getting the Most Out of Your Table Saw

The Saturday workshop will be held my shop located at 105 Dumbarton Ct, Cary, NC. Bruce Wrenn conducts this hands on workshop expanding what will be discussed at the general meeting. This workshop is extremely good for those relatively new to the table saw but is good for all members. For more information and to sign up for the workshop, contact me (Brian Wagner) at (919) 388-3153 or brian@bfwagner.com. The cost of the workshop is \$10.00, your check will serve as your reservation.

Host: Brian Wagner

Saturday November 22nd

Klingspor Workshop

9:00 AM until 4:00 PM

Klingspor's Woodworking Shop at 3141 Capital Blvd.
(.9 mile N of I 440 beltline exit 11)

Tuesday December 16th
7:00 PM

Program: Toys for Tots Collection by the Marine Corps,
Social and Show & Tell.

Start thinking now of what you can bring to share at the show and tell. This is the collection day for toys for tots, but equally it is a show and tell of items made by club members. Please plan to participate

The December meeting will be Toys for Tots, Show and Tell, and membership social. Everyone is encouraged bring a spouse or friend. We will provide coffee, soft drinks and dessert. Sue will be baking something and it would be nice to have a couple more home made items. Let me know if you can help.

There will be some time to socialize, conduct a brief business meeting, and have a show and tell featuring the Toys for Tots donations and personal items you are willing to share.

Representatives from the Marine Corps will be there to receive the toys and to add a spot of color to our meeting.

I will be taking sign ups for show and tell at the November meeting so think of what you would like to share. Simple items are often as interesting as the complex and grand.

Host Fred Ford

Chairman of the TWA Toys for Tots Program

About the Triangle Woodworkers Association

The Triangle Woodworkers Association (TWA) is a nonprofit educational corporation. The TWA is dedicated to teaching woodworking techniques through seminars, classes, and workshops; participants are required to sign waivers absolving liability for TWA or its designated representatives. The TWA promotes woodworking education and community interest in woodworking and in general sharing a love for wood.

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Deadline for submitting articles and classified ads for the next newsletter: November 24, 2008

By the Numbers

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Bank Balance:	\$7,145.13
Income:	\$286.00
Expense:	\$463.93
Ending Bank Balance:	\$7,067.20

Note that these figures, as usual, exclude the \$86 petty cash fund, as well as the other "slush" funds.

Submitted by: Hugh Fish

Membership

Total Members:	134
New Members:	1

THE PRESIDENTS CORNER



I realize that for many of us wood turning is not our most favorite pastime and we have no intention of turning TWA into another turning club. We would rather be making things with corners – try doing that on a lathe! But it is a skill that furniture makers – and toy makers – would find complementary to their particular hobby and that is why we asked Terry Brown to talk about basic turning for woodworkers at last month's meeting. And I'm very glad we did because Terry showed us how useful a mini lathe can be in our shops. Thanks Terry for a great demo. Early in the New Year we shall be organizing a day workshop for about eight to ten non lathe owners who aspire to own one. (If Klingspor is on the ball they should be running a special on mini lathes directly after).

For the program on November 18th we have Bruce Wrenn talking about table saw tune up and maintenance and this will be followed by a practical workshop on Saturday November 22nd. Please sign up early for this – it's bound to be popular. I personally have been putting off adjusting my unisaw top until I learn the right way to go about it.

We would like to pursue our ideas about sharing individual talents/mentoring in mini-workshops. Other clubs have done this sort of thing successfully and it has proved quite popular. This is something which could be turned into an interesting and meaningful part of our club activities but details are a little sketchy at this time. If anyone has any ideas on the subject that could be developed please call or e-mail me. We should not let our club involvement be merely a once a month evening meeting – life is too short for that!

Please remember that when it was decided not to continue the annual auction we established a table at each meeting on which members could place wood related items for sale or give away. Make up your own For Sale or Free notices and start redistributing all that stuff you don't want – magazines, jigs, tools etc. I hope to see you all on November 18th.

Mike Reddyhoff: President

Minutes from the TWA meeting October 2008

The meeting was called to order by Mike Reddyhoff at 7:00 pm. There were about one third of the normal members in attendance. Mike expressed that some members might have thought that the meeting had been replaced by the Shop Crawl. Fred Ford was praised for a superb job in organizing and executing the crawl. The shops visited belonged to Fred Ford, Bob Nauman, Al Basham, Terry Tenhouse, Bob Gabor and Bob Guenther. A great day was enjoyed by all and everyone came away with an idea or two that would help them improve their own shops. The club is looking forward to having another shop crawl in the spring and anyone interested in including their shop in the program should get in touch with Fred.

Our new club membership cards and badges are available and were given out to those in attendance by Tom Ferone. Please pick up your badges at the next meeting.

Additional volunteers are still needed for the Toys for Tots workshops at Dave Mackie's shop on Nov. 8th and 15th to complete Jim McNeil's race cars. A sign up sheet was passed around. If you are available to help please contact Mike R.

Brian Wagner described next months program – a presentation by Bruce Wrenn on Table Saw tune up. Brian has arranged a table saw tune-up work shop with Bruce Wrenn for November 22nd. The cost is a modest \$10.00. For additional information or to sign up contact Brian at 919-388-3153 or brian@bfwagner.com.

The club is in need of volunteers to fill two vacant Committee Chairs. The first is to run a monthly raffle. This chair was left vacant with the passing of Max Hayes. The second chair, (if anyone has any experience in advertizing or marketing this chair is for you), is to publicize the club with the goal of attracting additional members. With additional members and revenue the club will be better able to provide the programs and work shops we all enjoy.

Another signup sheet was passed around looking for members who would like to collaborate with others members to complete any project. It could be a T4T project or a personal project that a member needs support completing. As an example; maybe you have a scroll saw and you are skilled in its use, you would place your name on the list and act as a mentor for the member in need of a scroll saw to finish a project or who would like to learn more about scrolling before getting one of their own.

We had one new member in attendance, **Charles Buenzli**. **Tom Perdue** one of the club founders was also in attendance. Welcome to both.

Our guest for the night was the expert wood turner **Terry Brown** who provided us with a demonstration of his wood turning techniques and a plethora of tips. Terry makes his living turning architectural columns on a nine foot lathe but he was equally at home on the mini-lathe creating delicate turnings. Mike explained that our sister club, the NC Woodturning Guild has offered to loan us six Mini-laths. With the availability of these lathes and talents of Terry and Allan Leland, early next year the club will have a workshop for members who do

not have a lathe but want to find out if turning is something they would enjoy. Those who participate in the workshop will have the pleasure of producing something useful while discovering the joys of turning.

***Respectfully submitted by Joe Gorman
For Bill Anderson - secretary***

October Shop Crawl

Twenty seven members participated in this event. That is an excellent number for a first time event of this nature.

We started at my shop. Coffee, orange juice, bagels and breakfast treats, prepared by my wife Sue, were served and a great way to get us ready for what turned out to be an excellent day.

The crawl continued in my neighborhood with a visit to Bob Gunter's and Al Basham's shops.

After lunch the crawl proceeded to travel across Lake Jordan where we visited Bob Newman, Terry Teahouse, and Bob Gabor's shops.

With each shop I gatheres at least one idea to try back home. We all picked up some great ideas and had fun doing it.

A special thanks to the host that shared their workshops with us, and to Sue Ford for her delicious generosity.

Thanks also to the members that took the time to share their day. The shops were great, and talking with fellow woodworkers was icing for th day.

Submitted by: Fred Ford

Photo from the Shop Crawl



Hi... my name is Scott Miller (NC Scroller to those on the NCWW web site). I am the committee chairman to supply parts and materials for our 2008 Toys for Tots program. As of July 1st we have on hand roughly:

- ✓ **5,000 1-1/4" wheels with 1/4" holes**
- ✓ **1,000 1-1/2" wheels with 1/4" holes**
- ✓ **200+ 2" wheels with 3/8" holes**
- ✓ **200+ 2- 5/8" wheels with 3/8" holes**
- ✓ **1,000 1/4" by 1-3/8" axles**
- ✓ **Large quantities of 1/4" and 3/8" dowels for making axles**
- ✓ **Plus an assortment of other wheels**

These quantities are in addition to the materials set aside for the Klingspor Toy for Tots workshop later

this fall. If you are in need of any of these items or are in need of additional items, please send me an email or call me so arrangements can be made to get them to you. In addition if you have parts or materials you would like to donate please contact me. Email contact is preferred to phone calls if possible.

Contact information:

smiller@aol.com

919-233-0204

Thanks,
Scott



Last workshops of 2008!

**Traditional Toted Smoother.
2 day
November 8-9**

Make a close-handled coffin-shaped smoothing plane using traditional tools such as mortise chisels, floats, and curved rasps. Students will fit a traditionally forged plane blade and use the plane to smooth a panel.

**Dovetailed Jewelry Box with Handtools.
2 day
December 6-7**

Make a simple lidded mahogany jewelry box using hand-cut dovetail joinery and a hand plane shaped top. Learn to fit brass hinges and a keyed lock. All of the parts and the joinery will be cut and shaped using hand tools only.

About the Workshops.....

Classes are limited to a maximum of 3 people and generally are intensive exercises on a topic, lasting one or two days. Each student has their own workbench. A tool list and a class manual accompany each class. Generally, all tools and materials are supplied. There is an additional materials fee for some classes. Lunch is provided each day. Class fees are \$80 for a one day workshop and \$160 for two day workshops.

Members of the following organizations receive \$10 discount: Triangle Woodworkers Association (<http://www.ibiblio.org/twa/>), Mid-West Tool Collectors Association (<http://www.mwtca.org/>), and Early American Industries Association (<http://www.eaiainfo.org/>).

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Toys for Tots Status Report

Early on Mike Reddyhoff called a pre-workshop meeting of regular toymakers. Eight of us met at Mark Keglers' shop to review and select which toys to make from about six prototypes I had made. We established the following teams and team leaders.

- 25 Step Stools : Terry Tenhouse at his shop
- 50 Pull-along wagons: Cecil Raynor at his shop
- 100 Race cars: Jim McNeil at Dave Mackie's shop
- 200 Trucks: Mike Reddyhoff at Mark Keglers' shop

Mike Reddyhoff was the overall coordinator.

Terry is in final stages of assembly and does not need any help to complete. After final inspection and tweaking he will deliver the stools to Dave's shop for shellac spraying between Nov 8th and 15th.

Cecil's group have made all the wagons and wheels. The wagon bodies were painted by **Diane Donelly** and her **Teen Corps** members. **Doug Adams** will be painting the wheels and will deliver them to Cecil who will arrange for wheel and axle fitting/assembly and attaching pull cords. Cecil has his volunteers in place to complete the task.

James is currently on a course with **Kelly Meher** but before he left he marked out several race cars on 2x4s for **Larry Bradbury** who had asked me for some home work as he could not be available for any workshops. Larry has advised that he has nearly completed 72 cars - which doesn't leave much for Jim's team to do - and these will find their way to Dave's shop for wheel/axle assembly. They will probably be left unfinished.

We have completed about 140 trucks at **Mark's** shop and I have them for final flutter sanding. We will not attempt to complete the balance of 200 and the unfinished units will stay at Mark's shop with the drilling jig and drills for next year. The 140 will go to Dave's shop on Nov 8th for shellac spraying and wheel/axle assembly.

Dave's shop has been earmarked for Nov 8th and 15th with possible mid-week visits also for the final assembly, wheel drilling and spraying. Dave has two compressors, There are two spray guns and Terry is anxious to try spraying. We have enough workers lined up so we should be covered.

After receiving their award for their 10,000 toy last year **Sue and Diane Eckard** set a goal to make 1,000 toys this year. The club had two workshops in support of this effort, however a great deal of additional effort has been put in to the project by their extended family. Participating in an Eckard workshop is my high point of the program. The Eckard's are gracious host and it always turns out to be a fun and productive day. I ask you where else you can go and get live entertainment from a gifted musician free? Jimmy Burns our gifted and renowned musician furnished that high point.

Bill Anderson has had a very successful season. Those of you that chose to participate were treated to the Anderson hospitality as well as getting to see one of the premier wood working shops of the area. You must see this shop to appreciate it.

With our support and considerable help from Bill's his community he will present 60 hobby horses for some very lucky children.

Our remaining activities include the workshop being coordinated by Mike R., at **Klingspor** November 22nd, and our grand finale -- the December Show & Tell and Social.

Pete Hodges has 600 cars roughed out for the Klingspor Workshop. We plan to finish them all during the workshop.

Drop by to see the **Klingspor elves** at work, and of course come to the December General Meeting for the Show & Tell and Social and see all the finished toys that will be presented to the Marine Corps for needy children in our area. Bring your own creations and share your great work and ideas will all of us.

Respectfully submitted by:

Fred Ford: Toys for Tots Chairman

Photo's of the Teen Corps



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➤ Interested in antique/traditional woodworking tools? To find out about Mid-West Tool Collectors Association, contact Ed Hobbs at 828-2754 or hobbsed@portbridge.com (99/99)

WILD PONIES FOR TOTS A GREAT SUCCESS!

On Saturday, October 18 several woodworkers assembled at the shop of Bill Anderson to make stick ponies. Jim Kroeger, Mike Payst, Amy Dowden and Elia Bizzarri spent about 4 hours bandsawing, drilling, sanding, cutting and painting about 50 ponies. On Sunday the 19th, about 30 people showed up throughout the day to decorate the ponies. The workshop was a resounding success.



Jim



Amy



Mike



Ponies ready for the artists!



One example of the thundering herd of ponies!

Sneak Peek

January 20, 2009

Host: Mike Reddyhoff

Computer Aided Design (CAD) for Woodworkers

Speaker: Doug Adams

While most woodworkers enjoy drawing plans by hand, many have embraced the benefits of designing projects on a computer using CAD software. Traditionally, shop drawings, or measured drawings, are two-dimensional and include two or three views, but often a three-dimensional drawing is desirable.

At the Tuesday night program, Doug Adams will discuss the usability and affordability of both 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional CAD software. There will be a review of the requisite knowledge and computer skills as well as basic drafting know-how. Doug will demonstrate the ease of use of one CAD program by producing a completed drawing from start to finish.

Doug will also describe the various software programs available

and provide information for downloading or purchasing. Some of the programs are free or inexpensive and include tutorials. It is not difficult to produce desirable results in as little as two hours.

February 17, 2009

Host: Ed Mastin

Choosing the Right Finish for Your Project

Speaker: Max Mahanki of Klingspor's

Max has amassed a wealth of knowledge from his time spent at Klingspor's and from his own extensive work and will advise us on the selection of the right abrasives for our masterpieces. He will guide us through the identification and selection of suitable finishes from the vast array of those on the shelves and will educate us in deciphering and understanding the package label descriptions and instructions.

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Attention All Members

Regular club meetings
begin at 7 PM!

***Happy Thanksgiving
Everyone***



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