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**Back to unique observances.**
**I do not make these things up... *promise!***

Build A Better Trade Show Image Week: 16th-22nd

National Hippo Day: 15th

Cow Milked While Flying In An Airplane Day: 18th

World Thinking Day: 22nd

Iwo Jima Day (flag raised): 23rd

# TWA Welcomes
# Peter Ross

***Tuesday*** February ***18th***, 2014 **6:55 PM**

***at the Woodworking Shop***
***3141 Capital Boulevard, Raleigh, NC***

Several members meet at 6:00pm at Buffalo Brothers Pizza & Wings for dinner prior to the meeting. Please join us!

## ***Program:*** Blacksmithing for Woodworkers

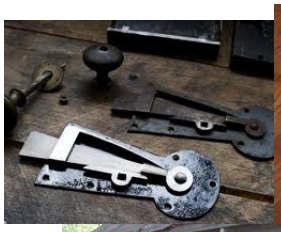
Peter Ross was the Master blacksmith/whitesmith at Williamsburg for 22 years before settling in Silk Hope, NC. Standing on his endgrain wooden floor, Peter creates amazing objects from iron at his forge and anvil. He will tell us how he makes items that woodworkers covet, perhaps handmade hinges and locks for that special chest! Safety permitting, he will also demonstrate how to re-temper that chisel blade that you abused at the grinder last weekend.

***Taken from Peters website: www.theblacksmithsanvil.com***

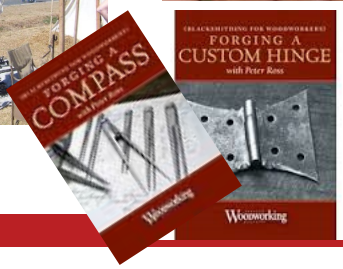
I have settled in Silk Hope, NC now with my wife Louisa, where we restored an early 1800s farm-house. My niche in smithing would be home hardware like locks and hinges but I can produce any iron object needed for a home or farm.

Google Peter's name -- you will find a great deal of interesting photos, including many with our club friend Roy Underhill. Peter seems to be a very interesting man. This should be a great meeting.

Trying to steal the anvil



Bentonville Battle Grounds 145th anniversary




Host: Jeff Leimberger

*"February, when the days of winter seem endless and no amount of wistful recollecting can bring back any air of summer." ~Shirley Jackson*

## About the Triangle Woodworkers Association (TWA)

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***.

## Club Officers and Committee Chairmen

### Executive Board

| | |
|---|---|
| President: | Diane Philyaw, (919) 764-9266 dphilyaw2365@yahoo.com or irishrose2365@yahoo.com |
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| | |
|---|---|
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**Triangle Woodworkers Association**

**P.O. Box 4206 Cary, NC 27519-4206**

# BY THE NUMBERS

***Treasurer's Report***

| | |
|---|---|
| Beginning Bank Balance: | $9,207.71 |
| Income: | $212.17 |
| Expense: | $9.39 |
| Ending Bank Balance: | $9,410.49 |

**Note:** figures exclude petty cash & other "slush" funds.
**Note:** *$1910.00* in Toys for Tots (personal & raffle) donations.
***Submitted by: Hugh Fish***

## TWA is on Facebook

On our website, www.trianglewoodworkers.com, you can hit the link to *"like"* us on Facebook or if you do not have a facebook page you can create one if you like. Or you can go to www.facebook.com and search for TWA and add us as a friend.

I am adding many of the photos from events to our Facebook page - many of these I cannot fit into the newsletter. Be sure to look for new items.

## NEW MEMBER WELCOME

We welcome ***0*** new members this month.

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A colored dot on a name tag indicates that the member is new, so be sure to say hello and welcome them.

**Membership Chairman: *Kay Baker***

## Announcement

**Pete Bucki** is our *Hospitality Chairman* and would like any news of illness or misfortune or better yet something really good happening to one of our members -- Please contact Pete so he can share.

Gus Stefureac is not doing well. He is living at the Carillon Assisted living facility at 5219 Old Wake Forrest Rd, about a block off of Millbrook Rd.

He loves company. Call first. His phone number is 919-900-4175

Pete can be reached at: (919) 380-8860 peteb301@att.net

# Diane's TidBits

*"Winter is an etching, spring a watercolor, summer an oil painting and autumn a mosaic of them all." ~Stanley Horowitz*

I made a promise to the club members in July 2013 that I would keep you all informed as I struggled through my illness. Well it is time for an update.

Having not seen me in 3 months I think you have all figured out that things have not been going so well. The past few months have been some of the toughest so far. I have been very ill and my pain level is excruciating. One of my doctors wrote in his findings that the pain in my lower legs is tortuous. I agree with him.

The day of the January TWA meeting I received news that took me more than a week to process and accept. My lower legs are in total lymphatic failure and the veins are not returning blood flow. The official names are Venus Stasis and lymphadema. This unfortunately is terminal. So my second terminal diagnosis related to the same problem -- recurrent blood clots. My surgeon is telling me to hang in there and not give up because he can make my living conditions better. I will be fitted for leg pumps to help blood flow return and I will learn the art of leg massage. He says that in a few months I will feel a great deal better. I trust him and I will do whatever is suggested...so fingers crossed! We get started on Wednesday the 19th.

Living in Wilson has its benefits. It is a small town where people get to know each other and you feel part of a family rather quickly. Roger and I frequent the local Starbucks quite often. The locals have told us that we are now part of the Starbucks Family. One of those family members is a recent retiree of the Army after serving 20 years. He learned a few weeks ago that he has MS (multiple sclerosis). He caught me at Starbucks a few weeks ago and what he said to me has helped me with my own struggles. He said that he had been coming to Starbucks everyday for over a week trying to catch me. He told me that when the doctor gave him his devastating news my face flashed in his mind and he knew at that moment that he was going to be able to fight, as he sees me often and knows I am fighting terminal illness, yet I always have a smile on my face, good words for everyone around me, and if I have my little man (my grandson) with me I am always making his life more fun and exciting. He made me cry and I knew at that moment that talking about my illness openly was the right thing to do. It has already helped one person.

Till next time...

Diane

# Wood Toy News

http://www.toymakingplans.com/website/News/Wood-Toy-News.html

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We release new toy plans weekly!

# Pete's Updates & Info

No raffle items for this month.

We are still looking for additional donations of Woodworking Tools, powered or not, wood and other hardware items for the next TFT auction.

Contact Pete Bucki at peteb301@att.net or call 919-380-8860.

***Thanks so much!***
***Pete***

# Meeting Minutes

## January 2014

Vice President Jeff Leimberger opened our meeting on behalf of our president Diane Philyaw who is undergoing testing for medical problems.

***Announcements:***

Pete Bucky asked for suggestions for improving his grip! Also, he has some red oak that has been attacked by bugs. Advice on how to handle these problems was given by others-the wood needs to be sprayed with an insecticide multiple times (so new hatching insects are killed), or heated to 140degrees for 3 days (to kill the eggs). As far as getting his grip...

Next month Peter Ross will speak on blacksmithing and whitesmithing (he lives in Chatham County). I guess we'll find out what whitesmithing is then.

Diane has been having trouble getting out the printed copy of the newsletter because of her illness and we need to have a volunteer (one has been found) to help her out. Not many members still request a hard copy but there are a few that pay extra for that product and NEED IT to stay informed.

Fred offered thanks for our Toys for Tots effort (90,000 toys produced already). He needs a workshop or two to borrow in 2014, as we are loosing the Creedmor space this year.

***Program:***

Fred introduced Don Stevenson, our speaker, who is hosting a workshop tomorrow. Building a birdhouse is our challenge. The birdhouse chosen for the workshop is one of the outbuildings located at the Mordecai House. Don is a member of the prestigious Southern Highland Craft Guild (formed in 1929), which has a retail shop in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Only the Boston Craft Guild is older. Don is trying to capture history, as his artisan or folk art creations are generally scale model replicas of old buildings that interest him. Incidentally, member Hal Brown is a relative. In order to produce his replicas, a cousin, JW Ward, made a die for him to form the metal roofs he builds. He described and later demonstrated the roller die to us. He also received from our very own Fred Ford a shingle splitter for his roofs after the last demo he did here several years ago.

How he works: the Archives of History in NC has published 3 books on NC Architecture (county by county are maps and lists of historic buildings in, I suppose, all 100 counties). Books were written by Catherine Bischer? Don photographs and measures these buildings. He then makes use of Photoshop, a photo editing program which can change the size of a picture and changes all measurements proportionately. Then print out this material and use it to create your design. Don related a tale about how he first made and sold his pieces in Asheville. He took his initial work instinctively to the Grove Park Inn, which thought his pieces were too large but sent him to one of the galleries in town, which purchased his products for resale.

How do you replicate in scale in miniature? Perhaps by chance, Don discovered that when he runs new wood through his bearing defective table saw, it looks like old wood. You can replicate this look with a band saw and bending every other tooth. Photographs provide scale and then he draws a blueprint of each wall, then draws on the siding and finish. He builds birdhouses and feeders and spirit houses (a miniature likeness of your home), and placement of one of these samples in a show home in Asheville led to commissions.

Jeff held the raffle for a free workshop (members entered were those who signed up and paid their dues on time) and John Aldrich was the winner. Joyce Campbell won the raffle for the $25 gift certificate. The auction for a utility tool went to Fred for $10 and 4 beautiful table legs donated by Bob Gabor went for $60, a terrific buy for anyone who could make use of them!

After our snack (graciously provided by Joyce, who was a last minute substitute for Chuck), Don spoke on the origin of the "Old Well" in Chapel Hill, which he has replicated about 10 times. Without a license, gasp. In the 1890's it was in a kind of gazebo. The thought was that if you drank from the well you got good grades. It was built on the source of a spring that was located there, the raison d'être of the university. It is meant to be a replica of the Temple of Love at Versailles. But recall the French people rose up in revolt against the occupants of Versailles. Carolina Blue comes from oxidation of the copper roof of the shelter of the old well. Don is a fantastic story teller!

He also related how Martha Skelton and Thomas Jefferson lived in a 16x16 square foot building for many years (16?) while building Monticello. His replica of that building included "glass" from mica, and broom straw was used as mullions. He engraved brick mortar lines with a jig he built that holds a straight edge. Don gave us some interesting tips, and his mastery of storytelling is similar to Roy Underhill's. Interestingly enough, he was once an editorial cartoonist, and he was educated as an engineer.

Don's workshop should be informative and fun.

**Respectfully submitted by: *Janet Batker Secretary***

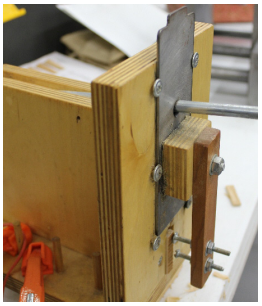
# meeting candids
## provided by Ed Mastin

*the Old Well at UNC*

*"The coldest winter I ever spent was a summer in San Francisco"* *~Mark Twain*

*Tipton Oliver Cantilevere*

*Jefferson honeymoon cottage*



*Shingle Splitter*

# A Note
## from Don Stevenson

***Hey over there in the Raleigh area !! Is it snowing there yet?...it sure is in Morganton, NC.***

I enjoyed your January Friday Night Meeting at Klingspor's Woodworking Shop and your participation in the Saturday Birdhouse Workshop. You are a great bunch to work with!

My only regret was not having a Powerpoint computer generated presentation complete with projected images to illustrate what I was verbally describing to you. When you operate a one-person studio, as most of you know, in order to create something new, you must stop doing something already necessary...so, I've never had time to compose a Powerpoint presentation about my work. Good intentions sufferith long!

In the next few days, be on the lookout for an email from me with a couple of line sketches with dimensions and a couple of photographs, all sent as attachments to an email directed to your email address.

What I will be sending is the design for a bench jig I designed over ten years ago. This bench jig is intended to be used to securely hold a small work piece when it becomes necessary to work while having both of your hands free. In addition, this jig allows you to rotate the work piece 360 degrees and at different work angles. While being much simpler, and by comparison, very inexpensive....this jig will do almost the same operational things an expensive pattern-maker's vise will do. To give you a hint, the design and photos I will be sending uses an inexpensive trailer ball hitch.

Don Stevenson

# March brings
## Kerry Hudson

***March 18th***
***– Designing Benches of Wood and More –***

Kerry Hudson of Kerry Hudson Design builds furniture and sculpture in Chapel Hill. He combines wood, stone, and steel to produce beautiful furniture like the bench shown. Kerry will talk to us about designing his benches and how he incorporates materials other than wood into his work.

www.kerryhudsondesign.com

**Host:** ***Jeff Leimberger***

# Upcoming Events

# 2014 Programs

Available On-Line @ www.trianglewoodworkers.com

| Month | Program | Speaker | Workshop |
|---|---|---|---|
| February 18th | Blacksmithing for woodworkers | Peter Ross | |
| March 18th | Design of benches | Kerry Hudson | |
| April 18th | TBD | Garrett Hack | April 19th & 20th |
| May 23rd | Pyrography | Michele Parsons | |
| June 17th | ?? | | |
| July 15th | Finishing | Jay Cash | |
| August 22nd | A Chairmaker's Realm/Chair design, Cutting tools workshop | Brian Boggs | August 23rd & 24th |
| Spetember 15th | Carving Wooden Utensils | Jay Speetjens | |
| October 24th | TBD | Michael Fortune | October 25th & 26th |
| November 18th | ?? | | |
| December 9th | Toys for Tots | Fred Ford | |

## What is mentoring?

***"Mentoring is to support and encourage people to manage their own learning in order that they may maximise their potential, develop their skills, improve their performance and become the person they want to be."***

## Mentors

The purpose of this program is to have a reference guide of whom to call when you need to "pick someone's brain", Rule #1 in woodworking: nobody has a monopoly on brains! This list of people includes: contact information, projects the Mentors are comfortable offering advice about, and skills they would be able to help with.

| Mentor | Service/Skill Offered | Phone Number | Email Address |
|---|---|---|---|
| Bernie Bogdon | Relief Carving | (919) 850-0739 | sabile_27615@yahoo.com |
| Hugh Fish | Chairs, Joinery, Machinery & Power Tools, Mantles, Routers, Tables and TV Cabinets, Turning | (919) 467-5696 | hughpatfish@yahoo.com |
| John Margeson | Baby Furniture, Beds, Bookcase, Chairs, Chest, Decks, Tables | (919) 876-3476 | jmalice@bellsouth.net |
| Scott Miller | Compound Cutting, Scroll Sawing | (919) 233-0204 | smi11er@aol.com |
| Mike Resar | Baby furniture, Beds, Bookcase, Cabinets, Chest, Drafting, Dressers, Tables, TV Cabinets | (919) 876-1664 | atwaterla@ncleg.net |
| Allen Campbell | Simple inlay, Staining/dyeing, Pen turning, Cabriole legs | (919) 772-4551 | aacjr@nc.rr.com |
| Cecil Raynor | Joinery, Finishing, Tables, Chairs | (919) 870-0508 | raynorc@bellsouth.net |
| Amy Dowden | Google SketchUp | | |
| Chuck Arnold | Countertops & Plastic Laminate | (919) 995-2301 | woodenitbenice@nc.rr.com |

## TWA Sponsors

***Anchor Hardwoods*** 919-790-9449
6716 Old Wake Forest Rd., Raleigh, NC
*10% discount to members*

***Ashcroft Saws and Tools*** 919-876-3223
3216-G Wellington Ct, Raleigh, NC
*25% off list on blades and 10% off on sharpening*

***Capitol City Lumber Co.*** 919-832-6492
4216 Beryl Road, Raleigh, NC 1-800-244-6492
http://www.capitolcitylumber.com
*Special prices to TWA members*

***Edwards Mountain Woodworks*** fine handtool woodworking: creating and teaching in wood. For further information on the workshops, schedule, and tools needed and any other requirements email Bill Anderson at bill@edwardsmountainwoodworks.com or call 919-932-6050, evenings.
*Tuition discount for club members.*

***The Hardwood Store*** 1-888-445-7335
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***Guy C. Lee Building Materials*** 362-1444
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***Keglers Woodwerks LLC*** 919-608-7220
330 Dupont Circle Raleigh NC mkeglers@earthlink.net

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3141 Capital Blvd. (.9 mile N of Beltline exit 11)
www.woodworkingshop.com
*10% discount excluding lumber and power tools*

***Raleigh Saw*** 919-832-2248
5805 C Departure, Raleigh, NC 27616
*10% discounts on all new products*

***Stock Building Company*** 919-828-7471
3000 Yonkers Rd Hwy. 64 & Old US 1, Raleigh, NC

***Tarheel Wood Treating Co.*** 919-467-9176
Highway 54, Morrisville, NC
*Contractors prices on all wood products*
*Show TWA card before order is written*

***Woodcraft*** 919-781-1911
4317 Pleasant Valley Road fax: 919-781-1980
Raleigh, NC 27612
Email: raleighwoodcraft@bellsouth.net http://www.woodcraft.com
*$25 gift certificate at each TWA meeting for the raffle*

***Woodworker's Supply of NC*** Store (336) 578-0500
1125 Jay Lane, Graham, NC Mail order 1-800-645-9292
www.woodworker.com

***Wurth Wood Group*** 919-231-6620
4213 Poole Rd, exit 15 off 440 Raleigh, NC
http://wurthwoodgroup.com
*Preferred prices for TWA members*

# Library Info

Classified ads are free to all members.To have an item posted send a note to: TriangleWoodworkers@gmail.com or our Newsletter editor: irishrose2365@yahoo.com. All ads will run for 2 months unless otherwise notified.

All TWA members are welcome to sign out a maximum of three items at a time. Items checked out are due to be returned at the next monthly meeting. Returned items should be placed in the "Returns" box in the library area. The late fee for each item is $2.00 per month. Any late fees owed by a member must be paid before any further materials can be checked out. If you know you can't make it to the next meeting you can avoid the late fee(s) by mailing the item(s) to Kay Baker, 610 Benfield Ct., Garner, NC 27529, or by calling (919) 696-8504.

As we all share a love for wood -- we would like to share the media which we have at our disposal as well. Please be conscious of your fellow member and return items in a timely manner.

**To Check Out an Item**

Find the circulation card located in the back of books and inside of any material in a case. Sign and add the current date to the card. Place the card in the wooden "Check-out-Box" located on top of the library cart.

***Librarian: Kay Baker***

| *Sample of Books* | | |
|---|---|---|
| **Title** | **Author** | **Subject** |
| Building Small Projects | Fine Woodworking | Projects |
| Working with Handplanes | Fine Woodworking | Hand Tools |
| Workstations and Tool Storage | Fine Woodworking | The Shop |
| In the Craftsman Style | Fine Woodworking | Furniture |
| Smart Workshop Solutions | Anthony, Paul | The Shop |
| Period Furniture Details | Bird, Lonnie | Furniture |
| Chests of Drawers | Hylton, Bill | Furniture |
| Practical Design Solutions and Stratagies | Fine Woodworking | Furniture |
| Setting Up Shop | Nagyszalancy, Sandor | The Shop |
| *Sample of DVDs* | | |
| Frame and Panel Construction | Graham Blackburn | Technique |
| Wood Finishing Basics | Michael Dresdner | Finishing |
| The Versatile Router | Pat Warner | Power Tools |
| Tage Frid | FWW | Technique |
| Sam Maloof | FWW | Technique |
| Hand Planes in the Workshop | Mario Rodriguez | Hand Tools |
| Chairmaking Techniques | Jeff Miller | Technique |
| FWW Video Tips Volume 1 | FWW | Technique |
| Making Jigs and Fixtures | FWW | The Shop |