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Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 18, 7:00 pm

Location: Klingspor's Woodworking Shop
MacGregor Village Shopping Center
107 Edinburgh S Dr. Suite 151, Cary NC

Topic 1: Toys for Tots

The June meeting will be the kickoff to our 34th year with the TWA Toys for Tots Program. We are returning to a normal General Meeting in June. After six years, Sear Stone has decided to end the generous support they have been giving us, including free use of their banquet room and a discount on the dinner.

We are planning a Pot Luck Dinner for our December Meeting but NOT the June meeting. More details to follow.

Workshop Hosts who plan any new toys for this year will present them for review during the June meeting. The current list is the following:

- Joe Sabo — Pop Wheel Push Toy and Small Box
- Bob Gabor — Doll Bed
- Bob Andrews — Motor Grader

Topic 2: Unique Cutting Boards

Speaker: Bill Burton

Bill will demonstrate how to make some unique cutting boards. When you look at his finished product you will ask yourself "how did he do that?" Bill says he will make it easy for us. I say he will make it possible to do. Come with a pencil and pad; you will need to take notes.

Bill will offer a Workshop if there is sufficient interest.

Topic 3: Traditional Writing Desk Construction Details

Speakers: Roger and Judy Sanwald

Roger and Judy will describe the processes involved in ebonizing wood for cockbeading and applying the beading to dovetailed drawer fronts. They will also share the design for a secret compartment in a drawer; and, the design and application of carved corner brackets for the legs.

Host: Bob Andrews

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TWA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING—MAY 21, 2019

(meeting minutes: Fred Ford)

President Roy Brookhart opened the meeting. There were no guests.

Fred Ford passed around a sign-up sheet for members to verify their membership in the 15 Toys for Tots workshops and to ask members not signed up to express their desire to participate in a workshop. If anyone not in attendance at the meeting would like to participate in the 2019 Toys for Tots program, please contact Fred at 919-469-9575.

Roy opening the meeting and Fred requesting volunteers for Toys for Tos workshops (photos: Mark Firley)

Jerry Rhoades and Mike Payst helping us raise money for Toys for Tots (photos: Mark Firley)

A reminder that next month's Toys for Tots kick-off meeting will be held at Klingspor and will not be a potluck; the meeting will have the normal meeting format. We will start with a description of new TfT projects and follow with a couple of short presentations by Bill Burton and Roger and Judy Sanwald.

At the break, quite a few items were auctioned off with the proceeds going to Toys for Tots.

Jerry Rhoades generously donated numerous items from his shop, including a digital angle gauge, push stick, router mat, sandpaper organizer, dust separator with vacuum attachments and bits.

Mike Payst was inspired by Jim Kroeger's vice show and tell a few months ago to make a new twin screw vice using a dumbell to make the screws. This was auctioned off to benefit Toys for Tots as well. After a bidding war, Jack Kite was the lucky winner .

The drawing for the Woodcraft gift card was won by Bob Gabor.

TWA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING—MAY 21, 2019

SPEED LEARNING FOR WOODWORKERS - TWA CLUB MEMBERS

(meeting minutes: Fred Ford)

For this meeting, Jeff Leimberger organized 4 stations where different club members demonstrated a skill. The meeting attendees divided up into 4 groups, 1 for each station. Each presentation lasted about 20 minutes, after which attendees rotated to a new station.

At the first station, Ed Lebetkin showed us various wooden hand planes, including a scrub plane, jointer plan, jack plane, smoothing plane, moving fillister rabbet plane and various molding planes. He demonstrated their use and allowed club members the chance to use them as well. When buying molding planes, it is important to make sure that the blade profile matches the sole of the plane. Ed uses a Dremel tool to sharpen these types of blades.

Ed indicated that you can feel slight variations in the smoothness of a surface with your hands better than you can see it. For example, you can feel a scalloped surface on old furniture that was hand planed, even though the surface looks visually flat.

At the second station, Mark Firley demonstrated the use of a small bag for vacuum veneering. He has experimented with numerous set-ups. He previously used a more traditional set-up with a vacuum pump. Unfortunately, the vacuum pump was loud. At a woodworking show, someone told him about using a vacuum bag system that is marketed for making skateboards. It cost $80 and the vacuum can be created with either a wine bottle vacuum pump or with a shop-vac. Mark prefers this system and it is also relatively low-cost.

Mark suggests the use of shop-made 1/16" thick veneer, rather than the commercial veneers which are very thin and more difficult to work with. Mark has had problems with the thin commercial veneer stretching during application and then contracting later to create a gap.

At the third station, Jeff Leimberger demonstrated the inlay portion of the Glen Huey workshop project that was held in March. He went through all of the steps for creating a fan inlay starting with thicknessing the veneer with a drum sander, laying out the dimensions for the fan, cutting the veneer with a knife, scalloping the edges of the fan with a carving gouge, sand shading the edges of the pieces to create a 3-dimensional effect and using a trim router to create the recess for the fan. He also described how to create string inlay.

Jeff demonstrating inlay (photo: Mark Firley)

Jeff Leimberger introducing the member presentations (photo: Mark Firley)

At the fourth station, Alan Leland demonstrated how to carve the seat of a Windsor chair. He prefers to use butternut for these seats. For the edges, he starts with a drawknife and then moves to a spokeshave. He has a high-quality scorp from Highland Woodworking that he recommends for carving the seat. He also has other tools specific to chair-making such as specialty planes and a travisher. He uses curved card scrapers, but these are challenging to burnish well. Alan can carve a seat for a Windsor chair in about 2 hours.

UPCOMING MEETING - FRIDAY, JULY 19

Topic: Spoon-making On and Off the Lathe

Speaker: Bill Wallace

Mr. Wallace started furniture making in 1974 and woodturning in 1975. In 1969, he became one of the founders of New Light Wood Works (*http://www.newlightwoodworks.com/*) in Wake Forest. His work is shown at Cedar Creek Gallery in Creedmoor, The Sunflower Studio in Wake Forest and the VAE (Visual Art Exchange) in Raleigh.

Annually, he participates in the The Larkspur Party in Raleigh in June and the Village of Yesteryear at the NC State Fair in October. He demonstrates his craft at both of these shows.

Bill teaches classes at the NC State Craft Center, Alamance Community College and at his shop in Northern Wake County. He has been teaching woodworking classes for over 25 years.

Artist's statement:

Wood is an amazing material. It can be as flexible as a piece of paper or as rigid as a beam of a house. By using skills that combine body and hands, mind and imagination, I create objects that show purpose, beauty and whimsy.

By cutting, turning and carving on pieces of wood, I expose a wide range of shapes, colors and textures. I enjoy working on more than one piece of work at a time. Much of my work is taken directly from a log or a piece of wood that I have found or reclaimed. This usually means that I'll start working on the piece while it still contains moisture and it has to be dried while I'm working with it before it can be finished. This process takes several months and allows me flexibility in the way I create my work.

To complete pieces I try to make them as stimulating tactilely as they are visually. Wooden pieces whether they are tools, toys or sculpture are long-lived and are a wonderful bond between past and future generations.

Bill Wallace

Host: Mark Firley

ADDITIONAL UPCOMING MEETINGS—TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Date	Topic	Speaker	Host
Aug. 9	Woodworking Skills	Bob van Dyke	Mark Firley
Aug. 10,11	Table Saw Jigs Workshop	Bob van Dyke	Mark Firley
Sept. 17	Finishes	Jim Heavey	Mark Firley
Oct. 15	Fixtures and Jigs	Members	Mike Payst
Nov. 19	Moravian Workbench	Will Meyers	Mark Firley
Dec. 10	Annual Toys For Tots Social	Members	Fred Ford

TREASURER'S REPORT (APRIL)

Beginning Balance: $10,228.03

Income: $127.00

Expense: $7.46

Ending Balance: $10,347.57

Does not include Petty Cash of $86.00

Submitted by Jack Kite, Treasurer

WOODWORKING PLANS

Cathy Harms, a TWA member, is wondering if anyone is in the market/collects old woodworking plans like the ones she recently acquired at this link:

https://imgur.com/a/FmqwC

All plans at the link are available except the gun cabinet plan.

If interested, call or text Cathy at 919-454-5979.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope you didn't miss the May meeting. The program format included four different stations where members of the club were demonstrating techniques and tools in brief 20 minute presentations. I am continually impressed with the vast experiences and skills that our group has and the willingness to share this knowledge.

In June we will begin the process to elect two new members to the board. Once again, we need a few members to step forward to help lead the organization during their three year term as board members. I hope you decide to answer the call to serve the organization as a member of the board.

Roy Brookhart

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

Please send newsletter content for future newsletters to Fred Ford (fredford22@ gmail.com) or Karin Pihel (karin.pihel@ gmail.com).

Contributions for each newsletter are due by the last day of the previous month.

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At Large Board Member	Leon Harkins
At Large Board Member	Mike Payst

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Toys-for-Tots Committee	Fred Ford/Cecil Raynor — Pete Hodges, Bob Gabor, Terry Tenhouse, Roger and Judy Sanwald, Jim Rhodes, Mark Firley, Les Hall, Bill Schott, Joe Sabo, Alex Knittel, Bill Burton, Antoine Basquiat, Bob Guenther; Bob Andrews, Ken Serdar
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