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TWA Newsletter

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 21, 7:00 pm

Location options:

(1) Klingspor's

(2) Zoom videoconference; use the information below to join.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86741222900?pwd=d2tkUGhRYmdvSFd2ZjhpWWhQT0xYQT09

Meeting ID: 867 4122 2900

Passcode: 961483

Topic: Box-Making

Speaker: Ray Essington

At the May meeting, member Ray Essington will talk about "The Why and How of Box Making." He will discuss why he began making boxes, why he continues, and why members may want to consider making more boxes. He will also cover some techniques and tips he's picked up in the process. Examples of Ray's work are shown on the right.

Host: Bob Gabor

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TWA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING—APRIL 16, 2024

FAVORITE JIGS OF TWA MEMBERS

(meeting minutes: James Sapp)

The April meeting was held at Klingspor's Cary store at the regular starting time of 7PM. Twenty people attended at Klingspor's and two more on Zoom. Guests attending were Alan and Delia Helias and Greg Sheets.

Roy Brookhart started the meeting by providing a quick recap of the March meetings with Tom McLaughlin. There will be one board position opening up in September. Members interested in serving on the board should let one of the board members know by May or June.

Bob Andrews announced that the June meeting will officially kick-off the 2024 Toys for Tots program. More details will be shared through the TWA webmaster.

Kerry Schoolfield said the Program committee has a position open. Let Kerry know if you are interested.

Cecil Raynor emceed the evening's program that featured favorite woodworking jigs. The program was recorded and will be available on the TWA website.

Barton Meeks presented two jigs. One an asymmetric router base plate he has found useful in adjusting the width of rabbets, dadoes and grooves. The other jig was a system for using shims sized for the width of the table saw blade when cutting dadoes on the table saw.

Bill Anderson showed three jigs he uses in his hand tool work. The first was a bench hook sized for his sash saw. The jig has a fixture that allows for 90°and 45° cuts. Bill scribed lines on the bench hook face that helps to insure the saw is cutting precisely. The jig also has an outrigger that support long pieces. The second jig Bill showed was his shooting board for planing the ends of workpieces square. The jig has a fixture for mitered pieces. The third jig was a specialty shooting board that Bill calls a donkey's ear owing to its unique shape. He uses this jig to plane bevels.

Michael Peele showed a jig he developed to cut curved pieces on the bandsaw for bulldozer toys. These partially finished toys were once made by past member Mark Firley. Michael was a member of the Toys for Tots group that inherited these toys. After studying the problem of how to cut the bulldozer blades, Michael developed jigs using his ingenuity and the Shaper Origin.

Roy Brookhart showed and discussed how he uses a table saw jig that he equipped with work-holding and indexing features.

Bob Andrews showed his drill press cabinet and table.

Cecil Raynor wrapped up the presentation by showing his table saw picture frame jig. He also presented his table saw spline jig that he uses to strengthen miter joints.

Dick Raup was the winner of the $25 gift certificate to Woodcraft.

Kerry Schoolfield shared that the next meeting will be held at the regular time and place on May 21 and will be presented by member Ray Essington, who will be discussing box-building.

Club members Cecil Raynor, Barton Meeks, Bill Anderson, Michael Peele and Bob Andrews shared their favorite jigs and fixtures. (photo: Roy Brookhart)

UPCOMING MEETING

Date: June 18, 7pm

Topic: Community Service Projects for Woodworkers

Location: Klingspor's

The June meeting of the TWA will feature some of the community service opportunities available to members. Some of you already participate in the established Toys for Tots program and this meeting will kick-off that initiative for another year. In addition, we will be introducing a new program called Beads of Courage boxes. These are heirloom style boxes made for children undergoing cancer treatment who need a place to store their collection of beads which are received after each treatment. We are hoping to get established with a local children's hospital to deliver boxes made by TWA members. If you like making boxes or would like to learn more about it then Beads of Courage may be for you. More information about this will be given at the meeting.

Hosts: Bob Andrews and Kerry Schoolfield

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

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

TREASURER'S REPORT (MARCH)

Beginning Balance:	$17,709.28
Income:	$690.00
Expense:	$1,886.50
Ending Balance:	$16,512.78

Does not include Petty Cash of $86.00.

Submitted by Jack Kite, Treasurer

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Here's a quick summary from the board meeting that was held in March. We've got some money to spend, we are gaining a few new members, and we have some great programs lined up.

I hope you were able to make it to the April meeting. Having Tom McLaughlin, a nationally recognized woodworker, with us for two days was quite a treat. COVID threw us off schedule for big programs but that is behind us now. I expect to see some chairs displayed in the next member's projects program. The program committee is hard at work on selecting the next featured speaker.

Please keep promoting the club to others that are interested in our hobby. A few new members a month is good news and Tom's visit with us gained a few also. We are returning to mid meeting breaks with refreshments. The monthly speakers are good but the treats are even better. We'll do what it takes to fill the seats on Tuesday evenings!

We have one position on the board that will need to be filled in the fall when we start our next year. Please let me, or any other board member, know if you are interested. It's not a hard job and you get to shape our future.

The next board meeting is the second Tuesday in June. Let me know if you would like to join in and I will get you on the list.

Regards,

Roy Brookhart

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

In April, Jeff Kramer, Alan Helias, Mark Reeves, and Gary Brookhart joined TWA. Please welcome them when you meet them on-line or in person.

Barton Meeks, Membership Committee

BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

POSITION	BOARD MEMBER
President	Roy Brookhart
Vice President	Kerry Schoolfield
Secretary	James Sapp
Treasurer	Jack Kite
At Large Board Member	Chris Gebhardt
At-Large Board Member	Joe Sabo
At-Large Board Member	Judy Sanwald

COMMITTEE	CHAIRPERSON / MEMBERS
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