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

Location options:

(1) Klingspor's

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

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84121846566?pwd=7OhvWnm39ClRHTc1twMhJTycT8HgYZ.1

Meeting ID: 841 2184 6566

Passcode: 316506

Topic: Choosing and Applying the Right Finish

Speaker: Jim Heavey

For this meeting, Jim Heavey will join us to discuss finishing. Jim has been a woodworker for over 40 years and is a contributing craftsman to Wood Magazine.

Every project needs a finish to control moisture absorption, enhance natural beauty and provide protection. Selecting the appropriate finish will go a long way in doing just that. With so many products to choose from, here's how Jim makes that decision on his own projects. He will review Danish Oil, Shellac, Lacquer, Varnish and Polyurethane amongst others. You'll get tips on application as well.

Host: Kerry Schoolfield

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TWA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING—DECEMBER 11, 2024

(meeting minutes: James Sapp and Joe Sabo)

The annual Toys for Tots dinner was hosted at the Atria Senior Center in Cary, where we welcomed 27 attendees, including two esteemed members of the Marine Corps, Ashley Everett and David Liu. The Atria team prepared a delightful menu featuring chicken and lasagna, complemented by rolls, salad, and dessert. Special thanks to Jess and the staff at Atria Cary for their exceptional hospitality. We are thrilled to announce that Atria has graciously invited us to return next year.

During the evening, Roy Brookhart, Bob Andrews, Ray Essington, and Joe Sabo shared highlights from their workshop teams and the toys they crafted. Notably, the annual Klingspor's workshop alone produced 1,032 VWs. Joe Sabo also reported that an impressive total of 4,785 toys from 10 workshops were delivered to the Marines this year.

In the next couple of months, we have several engaging meetings planned:

- On January 21, Jim Heavey from Wood Magazine will join us to discuss wood finishing techniques.
- In February, we present the results of the Beads of Courage box-building challenge. A representative from Duke Children's Hospital will provide insights on this meaningful initiative.
- In March, renowned pyrography artist Michelle Parsons will speak about woodburning art. Kerry has circulated an email for members interested in attending Michelle's pyrography class at Klingspor's on March 19th. Seats are limited, so please reach out to Kerry soon if you wish to participate.

We look forward to seeing you at these upcoming events.

Joe, Bob, Ray and Roy discussed their workshop's projects (photos: Roy Brookhart)

David Liu of the USMC discussed the importance of the Toys for Tots program (photo: Roy Brookhart)

TOYS FOR TOTS YEAR-END SUMMARY

We are thrilled to share that 2024 was another outstanding year for our Toys for Tots initiative. The club delivered 4,785 hand-made toys to the Marines. With only 10 workshops active this year, this was a great accomplishment and my sincere thanks to everyone involved in making toys. Part of the total amount of toys included 1,032 toys made in the annual Klingspor's workshop. In fact, we completed all the machining in record time and my thanks goes out to all involved in the workshop. We culminated the year with a dinner at Atria Senior Living Center in Cary, where the 30 members and guests were treated to a very good dinner. Thanks once again to all for your time and efforts making toys. I'm sure the lucky recipients of our toys were happy this Christmas. Now that 2025 is already well underway, let's start thinking about making more toys for the needy kids out there. If you are interested in being a workshop host and/or want to join a workshop, please contact Joe Sabo at *sabojc12@gmail.com*.

Community Help

Over the past years, several community groups have helped us complete our Toys for Tots projects.

- Twice this year, employees at NetApp assembled nearly 2000 trucks, helicopters and VW's from the Klingspor's workshop.
- Students from South Garner High School made and assembled 62 helicopters in their shop class where they learned to follow written directions, use hand and power tools and understand the usefulness of jigs.
- A family/friends ladies group assembled around 150 trucks and helicopters while some ladies in a church group made small bean bags and quilts for doll beds. And in the past, a Boy Scout group assembled cars.

We want to thank all those involved this past year, outside of TWA, who helped provide toys to needy children.

Joe Sabo, Toys for Tots Committee Chairman

Photos from the Klingspor's Toys for Tots workshop (photos: Roy Brookhart)

TREASURER'S REPORT (NOVEMBER)

Beginning Balance:	$16,074.40
Income:	$252.00
Expense:	$15.88
Ending Balance:	$16,310.52

Does not include Petty Cash of $86.00.

Submitted by Jack Kite, Treasurer

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Date and Time: February 18, 7:00pm

Topic: Beads of Courage

Location: Klingspor's

The February meeting will spotlight the Beads of Courage program. The boxes that we build for this program will be donated to Duke Children's Hospital for the kids to store the beads they accumulate as they go through medical treatments. We are honored to have a representative from Duke Children's Hospital present to discuss this impactful initiative. Additionally, we will be judging entries for our first annual box challenge, where TWA members have crafted boxes for the children at the hospital to store their cherished beads. Cash prizes will be awarded to the box challenge winners in the following categories:

- Best Design and Quality: Best use of Innovation in design and function and exemplary quality.
- Most Kid Friendly: Box is beautifully made and most likely to be adored by a child because of a unique design quality.

Make a beautiful box and enter it into the contest or join us to support your fellow club members who are participating in this meaningful challenge. If you have any questions about participating in the challenge, contact Kerry (*KerrySchoolfield@gmail.com*).

Host: Kerry Schoolfield

Date and Time: March 18, 7:00pm (meeting) and
March 19, 9:30am—4:30pm (class)

Topic: Intro to Woodburning

Speaker: Michele Parsons

Location: Klingspor's

On March 18, during our regular club meeting, we're thrilled to host Michelle Parsons, who will introduce us to the art of wood burning through an engaging demonstration. Michelle is highly esteemed in this field and will share her expertise with us. Michelle is a professional pyrography artist and author of several books about pyrography.

For those interested in a more in-depth experience, Michelle will conduct an all-day "Intro to Burning" class on March 19. The class fee is $105, and it's designed for students that have never touched a woodburner as well as students that have experience and wish to improve their skills. Basic information about woodburning will be covered. Students will have the opportunity to first practice techniques and then to burn their first pyrography project. If you're interested in signing up, please contact Kerry soon (*KerrySchoolfield@gmail.com*), as space is limited.

Host: Kerry Schoolfield

THANK YOU TO OUR MEMBERS

TWA would like to thank members who provide donations to the club or the Toys for Tots fund. The following members made a generous donation to the club or the Toys for Tots fund within the club in the last month.

- Hugh Donohue
- Pete Mulligaan
- Shirley Troyer
- William Buckey
- Steve Spear
- Dick Raup
- Mark Hitchcock

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

In December, Toni Janz and Will Perschau joined TWA. Please welcome them when you see them in person or on-line.

I used the information in the TWA member's directory to make a map of where our members live:

https://www.google.com/maps/d/edit?mid=1VxRdOAA9V3v6yXGrC-teD2x6n-_5GyM&usp=sharing

It will not automatically update when our directory changes, so remind me if it seems out of date, and please let me know if you have any comments.

Barton Meeks, Membership Committee

BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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President	Roy Brookhart
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At-Large Board Member	Joe Sabo

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