

# WOOD CHIPS



Northwest Indiana Woodworkers Association

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## President's Corner

Greetings my Woodworking Friends,

There's nothing like a good wood show and some sunshine to get me moving in the shop. I am happy to say we had a Great Booth at the Duneland Carving Show. In fact, we even made the newspaper! Kevin our Vice President is a celebrity. He brought his lathe and was busy turning pens. The cameras were snapping! He offered the public tips in wood turning. Many members kept Marcia's scroll saw busy. Wally Richardson and Norm Johnson taught a youngster how to scroll saw. Marcia taught an adult to scroll saw. She also taught and gave tips for scroll sawing beginners. Thank you to everyone that participated.

**Executive Board Members** met and discussed the plans for 2014. We are in need of a Librarian and Toy Committee Chairman. Many tapes have been converted to discs for easy use. We need someone to keep track.

**This Meeting is 2x4 Challenge** Don't forget that 2x4 lying in the garage just waiting for you to recycle it into something useful. Anything from a plant holder for that garden you don't want to reach down and work in to a coat rack. There is a \$25.00 gift certificate to the winner of the competition. The rules are online in the website. This is a nationwide club event. Look at online. It's impressive what a simple 2x4 becomes!

**Speaker from Lake County Fair** As you know, we have been very active in the fair and are planning to have a booth there again this year. We were contacted by Andrea Fox who is in charge of the Family Arts & Crafts Building. This is the building our booth is in. She will be discussing details of the display cabinet project. What better group to call on US! Let's see what we can do!

**June Frame Making** there has been a request to make frames. Mike Clark will be guiding us through the fine art of frame making. Mark this date down on your calendars.

Toys members are making toys. If you will using needing wheels or pegs and need some, contact John Hunter. We have a limited supply of some items and need to put in an order. Dues collected early are an achievement point keep this in mind when paying dues.

Your President,  
Marcia Lichnerowicz

### Goodtime Carving Show

Date: Sat. Apr 26 Time : 9-3  
Proceeds goes to Meals on Wheels (nice idea)  
Address: Marshal County Counsel on Aging Life & Enrichment Center  
1305 W Harrison St  
Plymouth, IN

This is by Jim Schuster's house. If anyone is going down for it give him a call and perhaps go for a visit. This is not a big show but it is a nice show. I have been to it.

Marcie

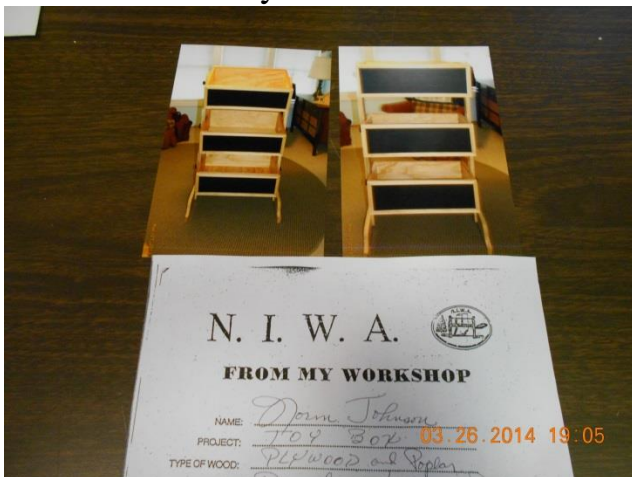
### SHOW AND TELL



Rodney Foster



Phil Malavolta



Norm Johnson



Kevin Sturgeon



Max Hernick



Denny McCoole



Frank Berzins



Kevin Sturgeon



Leon Kozlowski



Bob Miller



Kevin Klebs

## DUNELAND WOOD CARVERS SHOW









## ITEMS FOR SALE

If you have any wood working related items that you wish to sell through the newsletter please contact John Hunter [john.b.hunter@frontier.com](mailto:john.b.hunter@frontier.com) Include a description and the price you are selling them for, also how you may be contacted.

If you are looking for a tool that another member would like to sell you can place a wanted ad in the newsletter, just contact John Hunter at [john.b.hunter@frontier.com](mailto:john.b.hunter@frontier.com)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**2014**

- April 24<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM 2 x 4 Challenge
- May 20<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM
- May 22<sup>nd</sup> Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM
- June 17<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM
- June 26<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM
- July 7<sup>th</sup> Executive Board Meeting 7 PM at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage, Gray house on corner. Sign out front says [Family Center]
- July 15<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM
- July 24<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at Hidden at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM

July 31<sup>st</sup> Set Up Club Booth at Lake County Fair 9 PM  
August 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Club Booth at Lake County Fair 10 AM – 10 PM  
August 19<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM  
August 28<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM  
August 31<sup>st</sup> Club Picnic at Hidden Lake Park 12 Noon  
September 16<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM  
September 25<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM  
October 6<sup>th</sup> Executive Board Meeting at 7 PM at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage,  
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October 21<sup>st</sup> Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM  
October 23<sup>rd</sup> Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM  
November 18<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at 7:00 PM  
November 20<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM Toy Program  
December 16<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM  
December 18<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 6:00 PM Christmas Party,  
Installation and Awards

### **Bob Flexner's Finishing Tips**

<http://www.thefinishingstore.com/>

#### **TIP: Stirring Stain**

Don't be fooled by the color of a stain just after you remove the lid, especially with water-based stains. With these stains the combination of binder and solvent may be off-white, which is not at all what you are expecting.

The pigment will have settled entirely to the bottom of the can, and it may have hardened enough so that shaking the can doesn't bring it all into suspension. It's always best to stir the stain with a stirring stick.

When you remove all the pigment off the bottom of the can and into suspension, the color of the liquid should be what you are expecting.

Keep in mind, however, that pigment is heavier than the liquid and will begin settling soon after stirring. If you are staining a large project, or if some time goes by between staining separate objects or sections of an object, you should stir the stain again before using it, or you may get a lighter coloring.



Unstirred Stain



Stirred Stain