

WOOD CHIPS



Northwest Indiana Woodworkers Association

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President's Rambling's

Greetings Fellow Woodworkers, I was wondering if anyone caught my mistake in the last newsletter?

I hope everyone is doing well in this Covid world. Our new meeting hall has plenty of room for any social distancing concerns and sanitizers are available.

My wife and I attended the Buckeye Woodcarvers Roundup in Fletcher Ohio last month. Four days of carving workshops. We had a great time with our friends in the carving world. Julie signed up with Karen Brown to carve a gourd, Jim Foster was teaching his 3d carvings, Bruce Henn was teaching caricature carving, John Guillozet teaching Bark houses and Jeff Postma chain saw carving to name a few. Social distancing and plenty of sanitizer was used. I am looking forward to next year's roundup.

Annual Club Picnic has been canceled due to Covid concerns.

We have decided to bring back the October Fest. The Club will provide the brats buns and kraut at our October meeting. Beverage of choice can be obtained in the social quarters. We will have a sign-up sheet at the August meeting or you can email John Hunter or myself to get on the list. Our new meeting hall has plenty of room for any social distancing concerns and sanitizers are available. We can always use some help from our members to make this work. The Moose Lodge has offered their grills for us to use but we need someone to clean and to cook on the grill.

Enjoy this weather and Don't let your tools rust!

Your President,

Kevin Sturgeon

SHOW AND TELL



Jesse Carrillo



Steve Bennett



Jeff Snellgrove



John Hunter



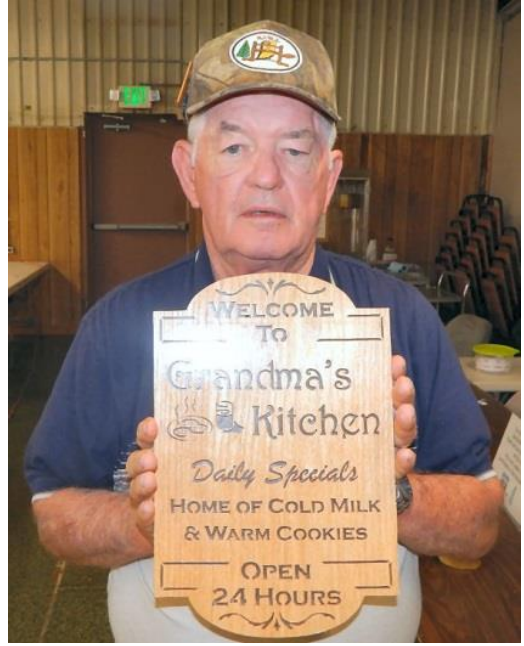
Gene Davis



Ron Benson



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Dick Sader



Jon Robbins

PROGRAM

Member Ken Woolard demonstrated his Ringmaster.



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 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

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August 27th Membership Meeting at 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN 7:00 PM

September 16th Committees Meeting at 143 South Hobart Road, Portage 7:00 PM

September 24th Membership Meeting at 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN 7:00 PM
PM Program Favorite/Least Favorite tools

October 5th Executive Board Meeting at 7 PM at 143 South Hobart Road, Portage

October 14th Committees Meeting at 143 South Hobart Road, Portage 7:00 PM

October 22nd Membership Meeting at 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN 7:00 PM

November 11th Committees Meeting at 143 South Hobart Road, Portage 7:00 PM

November 19th Membership Meeting at 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN 7:00 PM
PM Toy Program

December 9th Committees Meeting at 143 South Hobart Road, Portage 7:00 PM

December 17th Membership Meeting at 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN 6:00 PM
PM Christmas Party, Installation and Awards

Bob Flexner's Finishing Tips

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

TIP: Matching Colors

Matching colors is one of the most difficult tasks in wood finishing. Using just a stain rarely works well because the color on the object you're trying to match is affected by how the wood and finish have aged. The best way to match a color is usually to get the color close, but a little lighter, with a stain, then spray a toner.

A toner is pigment or dye added to a finish and thinned a lot with the proper solvent. Then it is sprayed.

But how do you know what color to make the toner? Here's the trick. Spray some of the toner you think is right onto a clean glass plate and place it on the wood you're trying to match.

You'll know right away how you need to tweak the color to get a match.

Wax for Table-Saw Tops

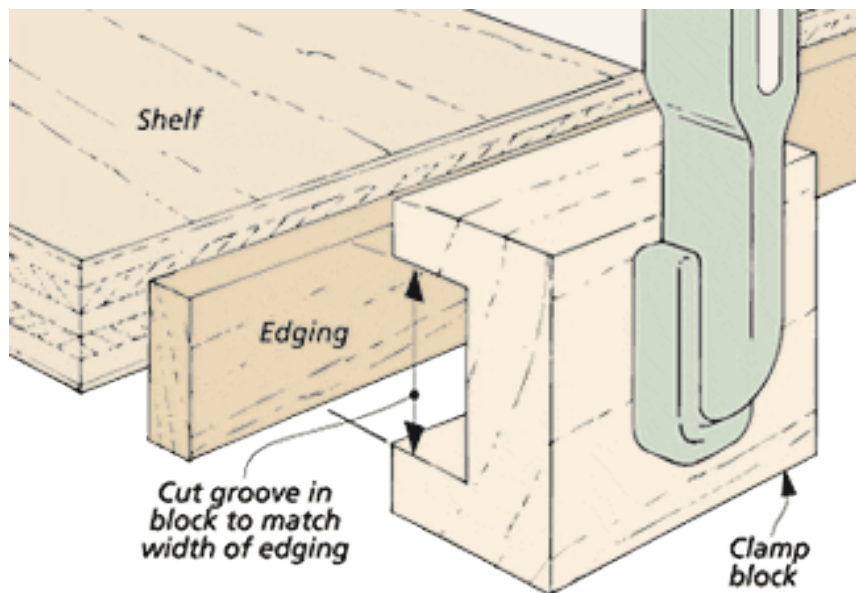
If you want to make the tabletops on your stationary machinery (table saw, band saw, jointer, etc.) slicker so boards slide easier, use paste wax, not furniture polish. And choose a paste wax sold for furniture or floors rather than for cars.

The reasons for both instructions are the same. Many furniture polishes and paste waxes for cars contain silicone, which could transfer to the wood and cause finishing problems—specifically fish eye (cratering).

Furniture or floor paste waxes shouldn't cause any finishing problems as long as you buff them out well on the tabletops.

From Wordsmith Tips

Gluing hardwood edging to plywood has never been one of my favorite tasks. It's always tricky to keep the edging from slipping while tightening down the clamps. So to help hold the edging in place, I made some clamping blocks.



These blocks have a shallow, wide groove on one side that's sized to just fit over the edging and plywood, see drawing. This holds the edging flush with the plywood. To prevent the blocks from getting glued to the workpiece, I apply wax to the surface of the blocks before using them.

Have a nice weekend,

Ted Raife
Editor, *Woodsmith*