# **WOOD CHIPS**



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# **President's Corner**

From President's Desk:

Greetings Woodworkers, We had a great time at the Lake County Fair this year. A BIG THANK YOU to ALL our members that manned the booth & gave demonstrations. We had fun woodworking, made new friends, & shared information. One of the nicest things to hear from the public was "I was hoping the woodworkers would be back". Al Kalos told me the setup ran smoothly & everything was A-Okay. Kevin Sturgeon along with Denny McCoole, Ron Benson & Duane Bomba kept Kevin's lathe turning throughout the 4 days. Dave Skaggs made a special visit to the booth. He arrived then immediately began turning a bowl on the lathe. Max Hernick talked about the angle cuts & the strength of glue when he makes his famous segmented bowls. Katie & Emily (my granddaughters) turned their first pens under Kevin's guidance & watchful eyes. They are still talking about this. Dick Sader, Mike Clark, & Phil Malavolta kept the scroll saw rolling. John Hunter assembled toys after Katie and Emily painted a personal touch for the kids. Russ Tomjanovich made jump ropes. The cabinets were in full view & looked fabulous displaying many fine items. Members of our Club had entries and did very well in the wood category.

Always make fine sawdust with friends,

Your President,

Marcia Lichnerowicz

This year's picnic at Hidden Lake is Sunday August 31. Starts at Noon! Fred Baginski will be the Grill Master! Don't forget. Bring a dish & a Wooden Elephant Bingo Prize. Jean Woolard will be calling bingo! Ron is bringing the bags toss game. Dick has already sent in the list of names. Give your name to the person at the gate the Club paid for the entrance fee. The Club will provide beverages, hot dogs, brauts, hamburgers, buns, condiments, paper plates & cups. This is a good time! See you there!

<u>August Speaker</u> This is a topic you won't want to miss! **Fred Bogwill** will be giving the presentation: **How to Cut Cove Molding on the Table Saw.** 

<u>Wood Expo 2014 in Charlotte MI</u> Fri Sept 5 & Sat Sept 6, held at: Johnson's Workbench, 563 North Cochran Avenue, Charlotte, MI. 48813 phone 800-292-5937. This is a great sawmill. There are many types of wood. Scott Phillips is just one of the speakers. I have never been disappointed when I have gone to this show.

# **From the Treasurer**

Fellow wood workers;

Our club still has a few members who have not paid their dues. Only 43 have paid up to date so far. Dues are only \$25.00 per year. Also our educational raffle ticket sales is down. Members need to pick up some tickets to sell. Your dues and raffle money goes toward running our club and paying the bills. We have a great wood club, let's support it by attending meetings and helping make toys or volunteering at our various events. With active members, our club can be greater than ever. Our toy program is always a great way to give back to kids that need help. Our raffle does this with the money we receive from it to make toys and to pay for speakers at our meetings.

Send dues to; P.O. box 1602, Portage Indiana, 46368. Or see me at a meeting. Raffle tickets, call me at; 219-762-8416 for information on getting them sent to you.

Thank you, Ron Benson



## SHOW AND TELL

Jim Jones

Jon Robbins



Phil Malavolta

**Ron Benson** 



Joe McDaniel

Ken Woolard



Max Hernick

**Bill Schoech** 



**Frank Berzinis** 

## LAKE COUNTY FAIR















































#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

#### 2014

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 19th 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, Gray house on corner. Sign out front says [Family Center] 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/

## **A Solution to Overspray Problems**

If you are spraying without adequate exhaust, you may experience finish in the form of fine dust settling on your work, sticking to it, and causing it to feel rough, almost like fine sandpaper.

This isn't a problem until your last coat because you can easily sand out the rough feel. But you can't sand your final coat without then going to the trouble of rubbing the entire surface with finer-and-finer-grit abrasives until you create a pleasing even sheen.

If you are spraying shellac or lacquer, there is a solution to the overspray problem. After spraying your final coat, spray some thinner onto the surface. For shellac, spray denatured alcohol. For lacquer, spray lacquer thinner. The thinner will dissolve the overspray so it "melts" into the finish leaving it feeling smooth.

Unfortunately, this trick doesn't work with any other finish, including varnish, catalyzed lacquer or water-based finish, because none of these finishes redissolve in their thinners.