

# WOOD CHIPS



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## President's Ramblings

**Greetings Fellow Woodworkers,** I hope the New Year has found everyone safely and in good health. Looking back on 2016, it has been a good year. I will not be able to write about all wonderful highlights from last year due to space limitations. I will save that for a later date. Over the past year our club was well represented at three events, Duneland Carver Show, Marc Adams School of Woodworking, and Lake County Fair. Everyone that attended did a great job in supporting and representing our club. I hope we can put together a few more field trips this year. Norm Johnson is working on a trip to Scott and Susan Phillips shop/studio in Ohio. Scott is the Host of The American Woodshop on PBS. I am working on a tour of Jay's saw mill and work shop in Hobart. I should know a date by meeting night.

**Christmas Banquet:** Thank you Jon and Lisa Robbins for your outstanding work bringing the banquet together and your work on the center pieces, just wonderful. All that wonderful selections of the best treats in the region were laid out for all to enjoy in a great display. We have the best chefs and bakers attending this feast, sharing their specialties with us, Thank all of you so much! Again thank you Ken and Jean Woolard on doing a fine job in organizing the gift give away, and all the members that donated their beautiful & unique handy works for our guests.

**January's Program, Silent Auction:** Here is your chance to make some room in the workshop. Bring in your gently used tools and or supplies that you haven't used in years and make a few bucks. This just maybe the thing someone else needs. Pickup a form and list the lowest bid you will accept on the item. Then towards the end of meeting, bidding will close. If your item has no bids you must take it home with you. The club cannot dispose of the item. Also Norm Johnson and I will be presenting a demonstration on using casting resin in making unique pen blanks. This procedure is a 3 part process. It is very simple but should be done in a well ventilated area. Therefore we will not pore any resin in this demonstration.

**New Year New Ideas:** Any suggestions for improvement? What would you like to see in the programs and field trips in the New Year? Jeff Snellgrove did a fantastic job arranging speakers to put on programs for us. We are always open for fresh ideas. As of January's Executive Board meeting, we have discussed a few ideas to entice new members, field trips, and raising some much needed funds that will be brought up in the future meetings.

February's Program is SHOP JIGS.

**Club Event:** 41st ANNUAL DUNELAND WOODCARVERS SHOW 2017  
SATURDAY, April 1, 2017 – 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
SUNDAY, April 2, 2017 – 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Upcoming Events:** The Woodworking Shows has posted some of the dates for 2017 already.

Columbus, Ohio is January 27<sup>th</sup> through the 29<sup>th</sup>.

Indianapolis, Indiana is February 3<sup>rd</sup> through the 5<sup>th</sup>.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin is March 10<sup>th</sup> through the 12<sup>th</sup>.

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

Your President,

Kevin Sturgeon

## SHOW AND TELL



Mike Clark



Max Hernick



Gene Davis



Kevin and Julie Sturgeon



Kevin Sturgeon



Don Bunce



John Hunter





Jon Robbins

## **CHRISTMAS PARTY**



# AWARDS











## ITEMS FOR SALE

Ann wants me to make room for her car in the garage. I will therefore offer some tools for sale.

The first is a dust collector, which I want to replace with a smaller one. It is G1028Z2 1.5 HP from Grizzly. Look at Grizzly.com and search. I will include the first knockout stage (garbage can plus cyclonic 90s) and some 4" duct.

List \$335 plus shipping and 1st stage separator, I offer it for \$125.

Mike Clark



2/3 HP 10 in Sears benchtop drill press model 137.219000. Paid about \$100, offering it at \$75 obo.



Ryobi Biscuit Joiner  
Got it at a garage sale. Offering it for \$20.





I offer this Porter Cable benchtop router table for sale. I cannot find the manual but it is 17x20x13" high. Works well but is redundant. Make offer.

All offerings are also 'or best offer' and that you can also come see the stuff as well.

Phone 219-805-4334

Thanks, Mike Clark

**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**

### **2017**

January 26<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM  
Silent Auction

February 14<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM

February 23<sup>rd</sup> Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM

Shop Jigs

March 14<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM

March 23<sup>rd</sup> Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM

March 31<sup>st</sup> Setup Club Booth for Duneland Caver's Show

April 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Club Booth at Duneland Caver's Show

April 3<sup>rd</sup> Executive Board Meeting 7 PM at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage

April 18<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM

April 27<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM

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May 16<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM  
May 25<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM  
June 20<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM  
June 22<sup>nd</sup> Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM  
July 10<sup>th</sup> Executive Board Meeting 7 PM at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage  
July 18<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM  
July 27<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM  
August 3<sup>rd</sup> Set Up Club Booth at Lake County Fair 9 PM  
August 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Club Booth at Lake County Fair 10 AM – 10 PM  
August 15<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM  
August 24<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM  
August 26<sup>th</sup> Club Picnic at Hidden Lake Park in Merrillville  
September 19<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM  
September 28<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00  
PM Program Favorite/Least Favorite tools  
October 2<sup>nd</sup> Executive Board Meeting at 7 PM at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage  
October 17<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM  
October 26<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM  
November 14<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM  
November 16<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00  
PM Toy Program  
December 19<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM  
December 21<sup>st</sup> Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 6:00  
PM Christmas Party, Installation and Awards

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

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

#### **TIP: Benzene and Benzine**

Benzene and benzine are not the same thing. Though they are often confused or used interchangeably in books and magazines, they are very different.

Benzene is carcinogenic and was removed from the consumer market 40 years ago. Before then it was often used as a paint and varnish remover.

Benzine is another name for naphtha in the US, though the term is rarely used in this manner anymore. It's also a common name for gasoline in England.

Naphtha (benzine) is a faster evaporating, less oily ("drier") form of mineral spirits. It's not dangerous if used in moderation.

Here's an easy way to remember which is which. Benzene is spelled with an "e" as in dead. Benzine is spelled with an "i" as in alive.