

WOOD CHIPS



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President's Corner

Hello My Fellow Woodworkers, Who would have ever thought that someone would say “it’s too hot to go into the shop.” Indeed it’s too hot to go into my shop. I need to invest in a window air conditioner. We were talking about the heat at this month’s committee meeting. Members work in the early morning or evening. Make sure you keep hydrated with water. Keep the phone handy in case you feel overheated. We need to STAY SAFE this summer.

The board members send a **BIG Thank You to Steve Bomba**, Duane’s son, for setting aside time to make us polish sausage on the grill. Afterwards we said the Pledge Allegiance then got to work. This is an open meeting anyone can attend. We brainstorm ideas and work on making things happen for Northwest Indiana Woodworkers Association! Ron Benson and Norm Johnson are collecting prizes for the Educational Raffle. They are updating the prize photo as things come in. This is a very important fundraiser. It is for education. This involves all of us. If you need tickets please contact Ron or Norm.

We are trying to convert our VCR tapes to DVD. If you are able to do this please see John Hunter or Gene Davis. The Club will provide the DVD’s for this. There are many tapes that are useful.

Claudia is investigating if the transfer technique for quilting could work for transferring patterns onto wood. Remember it was a seamstress that invented the scrollsaw. Members have interest in pen turning. Some member need to brush up on their skills. We are hoping to make this happen in September or October. We need volunteers to help other members, and a place to make this happen.

Keep making fine sawdust!
Marcia Lichnerowicz

Carving SIG 6pm before the membership meeting on June 28. Stop in and see what's going on.

Ken Garbe had an exciting shop visit. He is so talented and creative with how his shop space is utilized and the different types of woodworking he does. Surely Ken is the Woodworker for all seasons. Not to mention, Ken used to work at a go-cart shop in Chesterton years ago. He has a track out back and still loves go-carting! **Thanks Ken for having a shop visit!**

Dues: Charlie is collecting dues.

NIWA PICNIC AUG 26 at Hidden Lake We are in need of volunteers for the picnic. We need grills, cooks, set up and clean up detail, and a bingo caller. We have in the past had bingo. Bring a gag item wrapped, yes even in newspaper. It's fun to see the look on the face of the person that won your donated prize. This picnic is a fun event. There will be signup for this. We have to have a headcount for food and beverages. Bring a dish and the family. Enjoy!

Upcoming Events **Members have been to all three events. They are Great! Go to the web sites for more info or just type in the name of the event and information will come up.**

Indiana Woodcarvers Summer Camp Aug 15-18 Bremen Indiana. www.iwcsc.org info 574-204-2856 carvingMYway@gmail.com Pla-Mor Campground, 2162 US 6 EAST, Bremen, in 46506 25 woodcarving instructors also crafts for non-carvers.

Johnsons Workbench Charlotte Michigan Friday Sept 7, 9am-5pm & Saturday Sept 8, 9am-5pm. Seminars, Very Good Wood Prices, Town Festival. There is something for everyone. This is a great road trip. Signup sheet will be at the meeting so we can follow each other up to Charlotte.

Artistry in Wood Nov. 10&11 Expo Center Dayton Indiana 3900 McCauley Dr., Dayton International Airport, Ohio. Not far from Dover Trains.



SHOW AND TELL



Leon Kozlowski



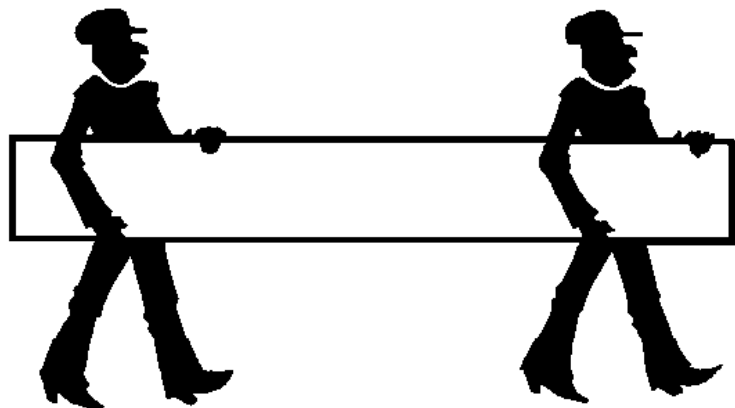
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Clyde D. Hewlett



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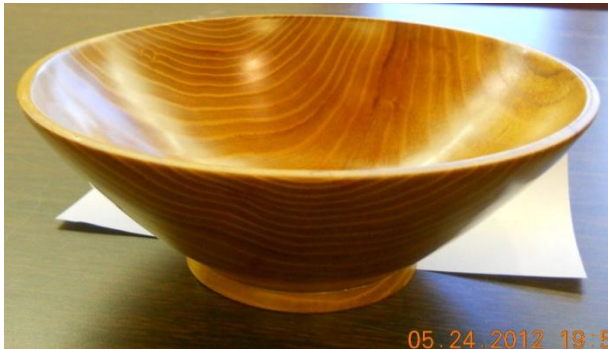




Joe Marzimas



Frank Schmidt



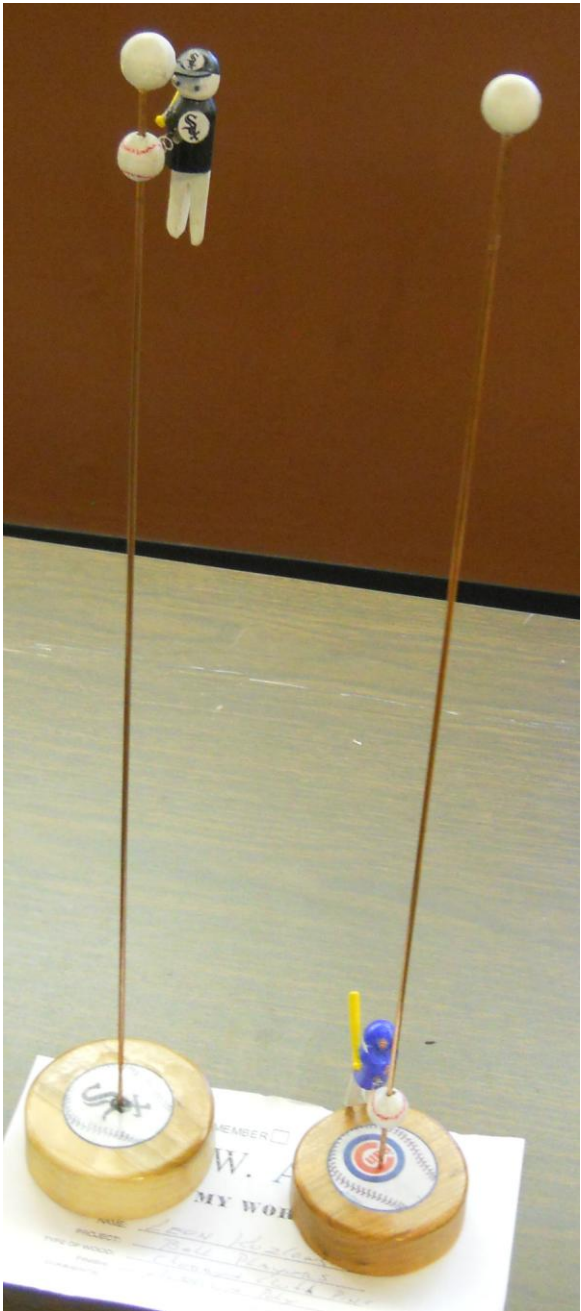
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Max Hernick



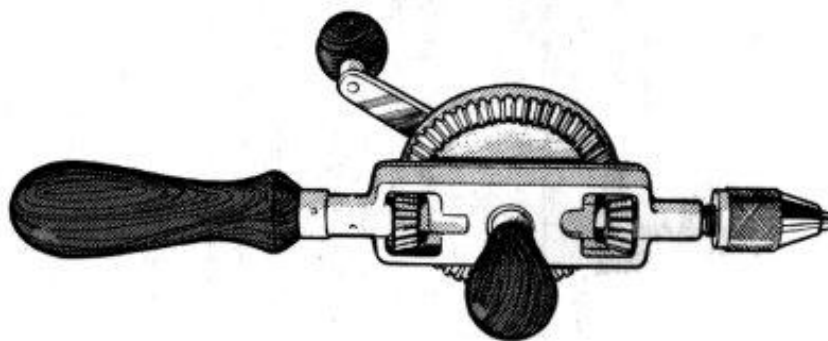
John Hunter



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JESSE DAY'S WEAVING DEMO



Jesse gave us a great demonstration on weaving a chair seat. Also thanks to Max Hernick we have a video of the demonstration!

If you click the following link http://youtu.be/FndsVI4_MKg you can watch the video on YouTube.

ITEMS FOR SALE

If you have any wood working related items that you wish to sell through the newsletter please contact Lalo Gonzalez LaLogon@sbcglobal.net or 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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2012

- June 28th Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM Russ Tomjanovich Wooden Rope Making Machine demo
- July 2nd Executive Board Meeting at Portage Library 7 PM
- July 17th Committees Meeting at Marcie's home 7:00 PM
- July 26th Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM Dick Sader Scroll Saw Tips
- August 2nd Set Up Club Booth at Lake County Fair 9 PM
- August 3rd – 6th Club Booth at Lake County Fair 10 AM – 10 PM
- August 21st Committees Meeting at Marcie's home 7:00 PM
- August 23rd Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM
- August 26th Club Picnic at Hidden Lake Park 12 Noon
- September 18th Committees Meeting at Marcie's home 7:00 PM
- September 27th Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM Frank Schmidt
Woodworking for the blind
- October 1st Executive Board Meeting at Portage Library 7 PM
- October 16th Committees Meeting at Marcie's home 7:00 PM
- October 25th Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM Chuck Norrman bird Feeders
- November 20th Committees Meeting at Hidden Marcie's home 7:00 PM
- November 15th Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM Toy Program
- December 18th Committees Meeting at Marcie's home 7:00 PM
- December 20th Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM Christmas Party,
Installation and Awards

Bob Flexner's Finishing Tips

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

TIP: Boiled Linseed Oil isn't Boiled

Boiled linseed oil isn't raw linseed oil that has been boiled. You can't make boiled linseed oil simply by heating it.

Boiled linseed oil, which is sometimes abbreviated "BLO," is raw linseed oil with metallic driers added. These driers act as catalysts to speed the introduction of oxygen into the oil, which causes the crosslinking and thus the curing to go faster. So boiled linseed oil dries or cures much faster than raw linseed oil.

In fact, raw linseed oil cures so slowly (it takes weeks even with all the excess wiped off the wood) that there's really no legitimate use that I know of for raw linseed oil in interior wood finishing. Boiled linseed oil cures overnight in a warm room with the excess wiped off.

The term “boiled” probably comes from a previous time when the linseed oil was heated to incorporate the lead driers. Lead is no longer used as a drier in common linseed oils, only in some artist’s and other specialty oil paints. But the term “boiled” continues to be used.

Instead of lead, manufacturers now use synthetic driers that come in liquid form. An example of a widely available consumer drier is “Japan” drier.

Table Saw Accessory Board



I often waste a lot of time looking for the accessories I need whenever I use my table saw. So I built the quick storage rack you see in the photo.

All it took was a piece of pegboard cut to the size of the legs of the stand and some pegboard hooks to get everything well organized.

I attached the rack right to the legs of my saw stand with a screw and a wood cleat at each corner. Now whenever I need any table saw accessory, I can always find it within safe and easy reach.

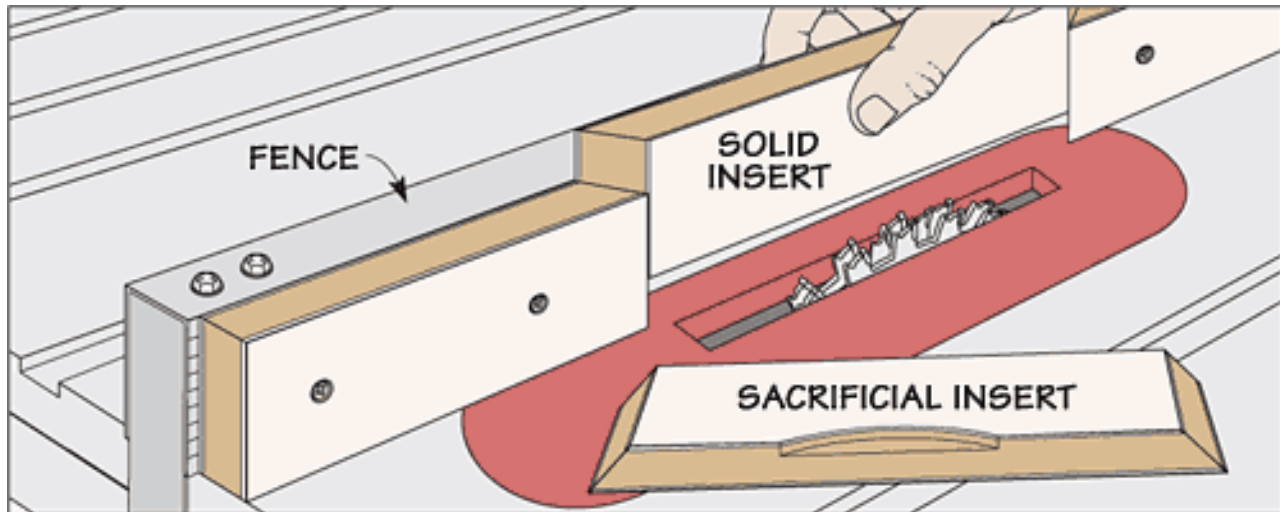
Good Woodworking,

Phil Huber

Online Editor, *ShopNotes*

Changeable Insert Auxiliary Fence

When cutting rabbets on a table saw, I always clamp on an auxiliary rip fence. The problem is the clamps always seem to be in the way and the fence eventually gets all chewed up. So I made a permanent auxiliary fence with replaceable inserts as you can see in the drawing below.



I used $\frac{3}{4}$ " melamine to make the fence so material can easily slide along its smooth surface. Near the location of the saw blade, I made two 45° cuts to make a space for the replaceable inserts. I left one insert solid and then cut out another insert to serve as a sacrificial fence.

Now whenever I need to change my fence set up, all I have to do is to lift out one of the inserts and slide the other in place. One insert is always on the fence and since the other insert is small, there is never any problem finding a place to store it.

Good Woodworking,

Phil Huber
Online Editor, *ShopNotes*



HUMOR

The tool currently in your hand is the one you were looking for 20 minutes ago and couldn't find, why you wanted it, is now a complete mystery.

As soon as your shop is clean and organized with everything in its place, you will need something that you will not be able to find.

You are unaware of your abilities as a magician until... You use a tool, lay it down and without moving from that spot have that tool disappear and then reappear some minutes later in a completely different location.

Using only one tape measure on a project will keep from introducing dimensional errors. But you need at least a dozen so that you can find one.

The more perfectly you cope a joint, the better the chance it will be on the wrong end of the board.

The board that you just cut to fit, is the same board you cut earlier to fit somewhere else later. See next line.

The board that you just spent 20 minutes looking for and could not find is the second board mentioned in the above line.

Starting the dust collector and running a board through the planer without attaching the hose will make a mess on the router table, floor, bench and other places. The chances of this happening are better with wide stock and a deep cut.

The last piece of plywood left on your wood rack that is large enough to finish a project has the grain running in the wrong direction or is maple and you need oak.

The next largest piece is right grain, right species but is 3/64" short on one side because you cut it out of square.

The router bit you need right now is the one you broke a month ago and haven't ordered a replacement for yet.

The router bit you can't find and already ordered a replacement for is still in the 1/4" collet in the drawer where you put it after you put the 1/2" collet in the router.

After you cut 3/16" off three legs to match the forth and shortest one, you discover that the one that is left is now 3/8" to long. (This may require some thought)