

WOOD CHIPS



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President's Ramblings

Greetings Fellow Woodworkers, How is everyone doing? My wife and I just finished up a week-long class at Marc Adams. She had a class with Gabriel Lehman Painting a wonderful portrait of her cat. George Denton & I were in Marc's Marquetry class, painting flowers with veneers. After completing this class it sure makes you appreciate the old masters' work and dedication to the craft. We went to eat at Chief Joe;s new restaurant and had a wonderful meal. Chief Joe during the pandemic came to MASW and cooked the meals at lunch until he could get his restaurant open. If you are near Franklin Indiana check out OUR TABLE, good food and friendly service. MASW made the walnut live edge bar top in it. If you have any questions about the marquetry class ask George Denton at this meeting. I have another week long class with George Vondriska



Program for May, Lisa Robbins, Quilting group, will be presenting Quilts of Valor to our veteran members. Thank You to all that served in the military.

Our club participated in the first annual “Treasure and Crafts” craft show at the Hobart Moose 783. We had a great turnout of members that participated in informing the public about our club and sold our raffle tickets. Being the first time show, there was not a lot of foot traffic hopefully that will change as it gets established. Thank you to all that participated!

Did you enjoy the 2 x4 challenge? It is not too early to prepare for next year!

Raffle tickets are now available. John Fluck has the 2022 Educational Raffle tickets available now! Get yours soon! If the club is to continue to supply some parts for the Toy Program it is important that we sell these raffle tickets. If we all took 5 tickets to sell we would have the prize money covered. I know being retired has cut down on the amount of people I can sell to, but it can be done.

Membership time, DUES are coming up in May. Get your Early Bird achievement point by renewing your membership before the May meeting!

Consider scheduling and hosting a shop visit before the May deadline and get your 2022or 2023 dues paid by the club!

Raffle tickets are now available.

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

Your President, Kevin Sturgeon

CRAFT SHOW



Kevin Sturgeon, Jeff Snellgrove, Seth Bennett, Steve Bennett, John Hunter, Norm Johnson



SHOW AND TELL



Steve Smith



Blake Baugh



Jeff Snellgrove



Jesse Carrillo



Jon Robbins



Gene Davis

2 X 4 CHALLENGE



Jeff Snellgrove



Matt Castro (Project by Kevin Sturgeon)



Norm Johnson



George Denton



Jon Robbins



Harry Wainwright



Blake Baugh



Gene Davis

MARK ADAMS WOODWORKING SCHOOL



Left to right Julie Sturheon, Marc Adams, Brian, George Denton, and Kevin Sturgeon. Our club was represented at Marc Adams last week.

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

2022

May 26th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM

June 15th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM

June 23th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM

July 11th Executive Board Meeting 5 PM at Portage Moose Lodge on County Line Road

July 7th Set Up Club Booth at Steam Show 3 PM

July 8th – 10th Club Booth at the Steam Show at Lake County Fair Grounds

July 20th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM

July 28nd Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM

August 4th Set Up Club Booth at Lake County Fair 9 PM

August 5th – 8th Club Booth at Lake County Fair 10 AM – 10 PM

August 17th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM

August 13th Club Picnic at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

12:00 Noon

August 19th Setup booth for Porter County Harvest Festival

August 20th – 21st Porter County Harvest Festival 11:00 AM to 5: PM

August 25th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM

September 14th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM

September 22nd Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM Program Favorite/Least Favorite tools

October 3rd Executive Board Meeting 5 PM at Portage Moose Lodge on County Line Road

October 19th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM

October 27th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM

November 9th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM

November 17th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM Toy Program

December 7th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM

December 15th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

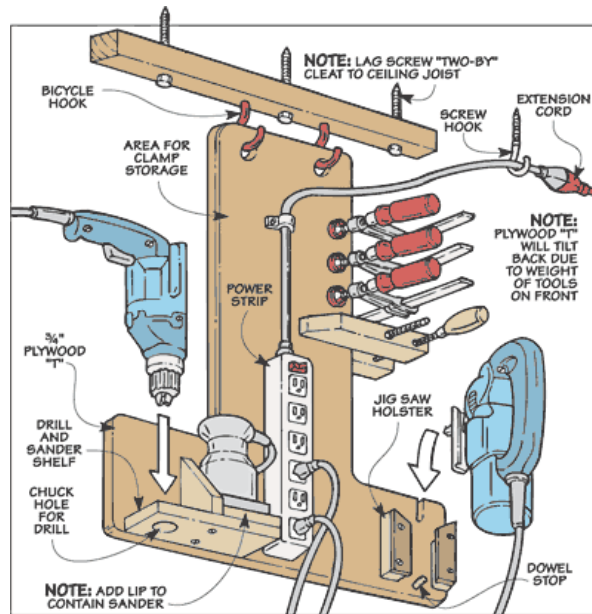
6:00 PM Christmas Party, Installation and Awards

Woodsmith Tips

Over-the-Bench Tool Rack

Since my workbench is in the middle of the shop, there isn't an electrical outlet nearby to plug my power tools into. And trailing an extension cord across the floor is a safety hazard. So I decided to hang a strip of outlets above the bench. With the cords running up, there is less of a chance of tripping on them or accidentally cutting through them. And to make it even more useful, the outlet strip is attached to a plywood tool rack, so I can store tools and clamps near the workbench.

As you can see in the drawing below, there's not much to this tool rack. You just cut a piece of $\frac{3}{4}$ " plywood to shape and screw a power strip vertically in the middle of it.



Then to hang it from the ceiling, I drilled two holes in the long end and hung it from a pair of bicycle hooks that were screwed into a cleat attached to the ceiling. This way the power strip/tool rack can be easily removed if I need the extra space for working on a tall project.

Next, I made a couple of shelves and holders for the power tools I use most often at the bench: a sander, drill, and jig saw. All that's left is to run an extension cord across the ceiling and plug in the outlet strip.

Have a nice weekend,

Phil Huber
Editor, *ShopNotes*