

WOOD CHIPS



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President's Ramblings

Greetings Fellow Woodworkers, This month has flown by, so much went on in August I haven't caught my breath yet. The Wife and I had a good time at Marc Adams school at the end of August, so we couldn't make the Annual Club Picnic. I hear it was a big success. Thank You to everyone that attended you made it a fantastic event.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: October is knocking on the door, we need the nominating committee to start the process of gathering nominee's for this year's elections.

Message from Santa: The Toy Program is nearing it's deadline (November meeting). Time to start putting the finishing touches on the toys for the needy children. Also we need the names of the Charitable organizations with contacts and address of the organization you would like to see get these items. It will be your responsibility to get the items delivered to your organization(s). You can submit the names of organizations at our next meeting or email them to John Hunter at john.b.hunter@frontier.com. November's meeting is when these toys are passed out and time is running short. Please help where you can and thanks to all members who have and are helping make a merrier Christmas for some needy children.

Educational Raffle Tickets are still available. Drawing is held at the November meeting. Looking to do a little more with this wonderful club? We are in need of help with raffle ticket chairman or woman for next year!

Program for September is Favorite / Least Favorite tool. Dust off that klunker tool that is taking up space and help out your fellow woodworker. Tell him or her why it was a bad or great investment. Also why you can't live without that special tool in your shop. This was a great turn out last year; I can't wait to see what is brought in for this year.

October's program will be Norm Johnson on his 3D cutting board.

November is Toys for the Needy Children.

December Christmas Dinner.

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

Your President, Kevin Sturgeon

From the Treasurer

Fellow wood workers; We now have 55 members paid up on their dues. There are still 6 members not paid up yet. Your dues are needed for the support of the running of our club, like the picnic, Christmas party, hall rent, liability ins., stationary, stamps, mail P O Box, and much more Also, we have a educational raffle yearly. This fundraiser is for our gift cards for the many activities like the show and tell, ETC. Only a hand full of members have sold a lot of raffle tickets to date. The Carvers show and the tractor show we sold most of the tickets, but need more members to pick some up to sell or buy. This fund helps buy supplies for our toy program to which we bought more than \$1,000.00 in supplies so far and need to buy more soon. Without club members support many programs we enjoy would not be possible. SO, pick some raffle tickets up at this coming meeting. See Ron Benson, club treasurer for tickets.

SHOW AND TELL



Norm Johnson



Bill Schoech



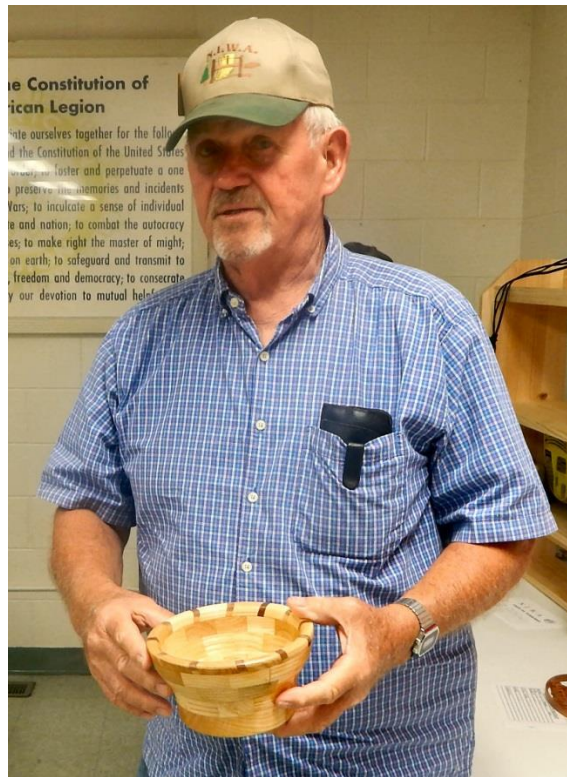
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John Fluck



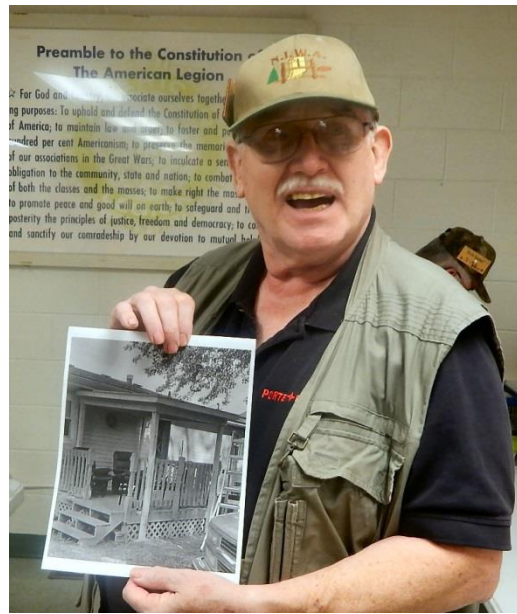
Ken Woolard



Gene Davis



Dick Sader



John Hunter

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REPORT ON MID-OHIO VALLEY PEN TURNERS GATHERING

I went to the 2nd annual Mid-Ohio Valley Pen Turners Gathering over the weekend of 09/14/2018 - 09/16/2018 in Belpre, OH. The website is <https://movptg.com>. It was put on by Jason Rose and had about 160 registered attendees, with folks attending from as far away as Alaska and Puerto Rico. There were about 20 vendors offering pen kits, resins,

tints, supplies, tools and machines, and of course pen blanks from wood, stabilized wood, acrylics and antlers.

There was a grand prize of a Rikon lathe, as well as raffled prizes of a Nova lathe, Blackline tools, Easy Wood tools, Rikon grinders and 30-40 door prizes in the \$20 - \$40 price range, giving everyone a good chance to win something.

There were one on one classes available with Steve Kondo (Gisi blanks), Chad Schimmel (watchpart blanks) and Jim Hinze (kitless pens). I purchased a session with Steve Kondo and spent a couple hours going through the steps needed to build a Gisi blank, which is a segmented and angled blank, reminiscent of southwestern art.

There were about a dozen demonstrations provided, These covered stamp blanks (blanks featuring a variety of postage stamps), polymer clay blanks, steampunk blanks, photographing your pens, and selling your pens, and a few others.

They will be expanding to a larger facility next year, but likely keeping within the same region along the south-eastern Ohio area. I plan to attend in the future, as well.

Mike Schienle

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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

2018

September 27th Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00
PM Program Favorite/Least Favorite tools

October 1st Executive Board Meeting at 7 PM at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage

October 15th Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM

October 25th Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM

November 12th Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM

November 15th Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00

PM Toy Program

December 17th Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM

December 20th Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 6:00

PM Christmas Party, Installation and Awards