

# WOOD CHIPS



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## Wooden you like to know

Greetings fellow woodworkers,

I think that spring weather has finally turned the corner. Trees and flowers are in bloom and it is now time for some great woodworking. The shows that we participate in will be here before you know it and we will need donated items for fundraising. I look forward to seeing what creations arrive from you all this year. Remember that the funding of our club depends on all of us that are able to participate in manning the shows, along with donating sellable items and raffle ticket sales each year.

At last month's meeting George Denton presented a challenge to the membership to complete an unfinished project that has been sitting around our shops for a while and display it at our June show and tell program. Looking forward to what will be there.

We are seeking some assistance if anyone in our membership has or knows someone that has experience in tax filing rules and regulations that would be willing to assist our club when and if issues arise.

### REMINDERS:

This month's program will feature our annual 2 x 4 challenge. Time to finish those projects.

Please keep our toy program in mind . Keep making those toys and If you would like to submit a group to receive toys this year, it helps us to know how many toys that we will need ahead of time.

Club dues are due in May. Pay now and get an achievement point,

The shop visit to Scott Phillips American wood shop will be on April 20<sup>th</sup>. Drive out to Piqua Ohio and meet Scott and see a great stand alone celebrity woodworking shop.

Please attend if you can.

Road Trip: Norm Johnson has set up a field trip to Scott Phillips shop! 901 Piqua Troy Rd., Piqua, OH 45356

Be warned that some navigational programs will take you 7 miles south of that to Troy Ohio. The shop is in Piqua. The fastest way to my shop is to take interstate. You can come across on state Route 36 but it is actually slower. So here are the details:  
 Exit from interstate 75 N. from Dayton on County Road 25A. That is at mile marker 78. Turn left or go north north east on County Road 25A. Towards Piqua.  
 Turn right at the first traffic light. That is Peterson Road. Drive across the great Miami river bridge and go to the first stop sign and turn left. That is Piqua Troy Road.  
 Drive 2.1 miles on Piqua Troy Road and enter Piqua city limits. Once entering Piqua city limits, the very first building you come to is my woodshop. It is in the middle of nowhere. It has a green metal roof with a solar array on it! It is offset from the road 190 feet. Look for the Stonewall and the American flag. Big sign on the front gable too!



Thanks and be safe,  
 Jeff Snellgrove  
 President NIWA

## SHOW AND TELL



**Kevin Sturgeon**



**George Denton**



**Gene Davis**



**Donald Miller**



**Jeff Snellgrove**

**PROGRAM**

George Denton our Vice President was our meeting program presenter.



## 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](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)

## 2024

April 20<sup>th</sup> Shop Visit at Scott Phillips Shop.

April 25<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM 2 x 4 Challenge

May 15<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM

May 23<sup>rd</sup> Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM  
June 19<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM  
June 27<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM  
July 11<sup>th</sup> Set Up Club Booth at Steam Show 3 PM at Lake County Fair Grounds  
July 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> Club Booth at the Steam Show at Lake County Fair Grounds  
July 8<sup>th</sup> Executive Board Meeting 5 PM at Portage Moose Lodge on County Line Road  
July 17<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM  
July 25<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM  
August 14<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM  
August 22<sup>nd</sup> Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN 7:00 PM  
August 25<sup>th</sup> Club Picnic at the Portage VFW at 2803 Monnier St. In Portage IN

12:00 Noon  
September 18<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM  
September 26 Setup booth for Fall Harvest Festival And Antique Equipment Show  
September 26<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN  
7:00 PM Program Favorite/Least Favorite tools & Silent Auction  
September 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> Club Booth at Fall Harvest Festival And Antique Equipment Show  
9:00 – 5:00

October 2<sup>nd</sup> Executive Board Meeting 5 PM at Portage Moose Lodge on County Line Road  
October 16<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM  
October 24<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM  
November 6<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM  
November 16<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN  
7:00 PM Toy Program

December 4<sup>th</sup> Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM  
December 12<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN  
6:00 PM Christmas Party, Installation and Awards

## Toy Building Workshop

Vice President George Denton hosted a toy building workshop. Members attending were: John Fluck, Dennis Byronb, Jim O'Carroll, Don Miller, Jon Robbins, Steve Smith, and George Denton.





### **Turning for Furniture Class at Marc Adams**

Club members George Denton and Kevin Sturgeon at Marc Adams Turning for Furniture class.



# Scissor Jack Stand for Precise Control

By: Logan Wittmer

Here's a Clever Way to Provide Outfeed Support.



When working with long boards in my shop, I like to use outfeed support for extra control. One day, I decided to build a universal outfeed support for different machine setups.

**Jack it up.** This is the outfeed stand that I came up with. It uses an ordinary automotive scissor jack. After cutting off the metal top bracket, I was able to bolt on a plywood plate. On the plate there are four-way rollers to offer friction-free support. To mount the jack, I attached it to a plywood base so I could secure it to a cart.



Because the jack has a lot of adjustment, I mounted it on a cart and fine-tune the height by raising or lowering it to match whatever machine I'm working at. The four-way rollers mean it doesn't need to be perfectly square to my machine to allow the workpiece to slide.