

WOOD CHIPS



Northwest Indiana Woodworkers Association

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WOODEN YOU LIKE TO KNOW

Greetings fellow woodworkers,

Well our recent return to the Lake County Fair has come and gone. It was a pretty tough four days with high temperatures and humidity. I would like to personally thank the people who repeatedly answer the call to work these shows and events. Our club's survival does indeed depend on them. Again, you know who you are and you have my sincere gratitude.

Though the conditions were not favorable, we worked hard and had some modest success with our raffle sales and met some very nice people and handed out a lot of cards and brochures. Maybe some new members may come from that. We will have to see.

Next, let me tell you why I personally enjoy working these shows. I am very proud of the items that I make and set out for display to the public and even more so the presentation of creativity displayed by all of our club members. It shows very well the talent level within our ranks. I love it when people look over our wares with admiration and spend some time talking with us and asking how such art is even possible? When we ask them if there are or were any woodworkers among them there is usually a story there somewhere of a father or grandfather or someone special to them that is or was and as I listen to them tell their tales, I can't help but to think that maybe someday many years from now, someone might pick up a small wooden box or toy and in showing it to their child turns it over to find my signature or logo and then explains to them how their great-grandfather made this by hand for their child or grandchild way back when.....

As the person that I was speaking to walks away happy to have met with us, I feel just a little happiness myself.

REMINDERS:

This month's meeting will be on August 22nd. 7 pm at the Hobart Moose.
The club picnic is on August 25th beginning at noon at the Portage VFW 2803 Monnier street.

If you have not already signed up, please do so as soon as possible so that we can have a count for food. Please bring a side dish or desert if you can.

The final show opportunity of the year will be the Sunset Hill Harvest Festival September 27-29. We need donated items to sell and raffle sale pens made again. (We gave always a lot of pens at the fair with ticket sales.) Our on hand supplies have been nearly depleted.

Our club is currently looking for someone to serve as club treasurer as Ron Benson will soon be stepping down. Some training will be needed so now is the time to be brave step forward .

Also, keep our toy program in mind, if you are considering submitting a group this year to receive toys (and please do if you know of a need), it helps our committee to have an approximate count of the number required as soon as possible.

See you at the next meeting,
Jeff Snellgrove
President NIWA

SHOW AND TELL



George Denton



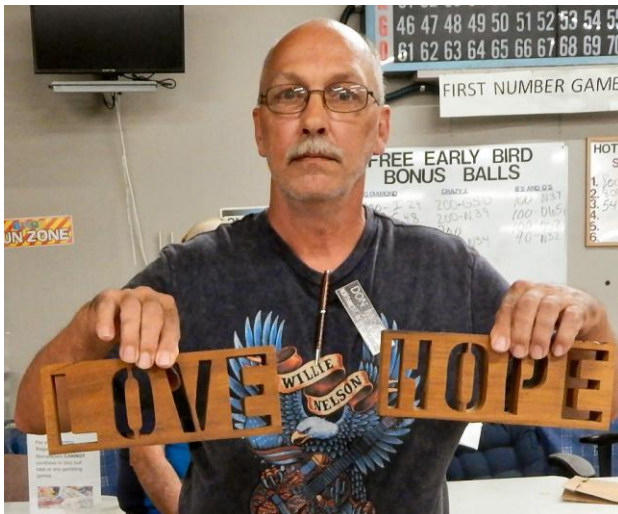
Bill Schoech



Steve Bennett



Gene Davis



Donald Miller



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Jim Krohn

PROGRAM

This month's demonstration was on dust collection by member Donald Miller.



LAKE COUNTY FAIR











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

2024

August 22nd Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN 7:00 PM

August 25th Club Picnic at the Portage VFW at 2803 Monnier St. In Portage IN

12:00 Noon

September 18th 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 26th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM Program Favorite/Least Favorite tools & Silent Auction

September 27th-29th Club Booth at Fall Harvest Festival And Antique Equipment Show

9:00 – 5:00

October 2nd Executive Board Meeting 5 PM at Portage Moose Lodge on County Line Road

October 16th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM

October 24th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM

November 6th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM

November 16th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM Toy Program

December 4th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM

December 12th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

6:00 PM Christmas Party, Installation and Awards