

WOOD CHIPS



Northwest Indiana Woodworkers Association

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WOODEN YOU LIKE TO KNOW....

Greetings fellow woodworkers,

A new year is upon us and I hope that it finds everyone happy and healthy. The start of a new year brings with it some new changes, opportunities and challenges. First, I would like to say thanks to Kevin Sturgeon and Jon Robbins for their years of service to the club as the lead officers. Our great club would not be in the position it is today without either one of them and I hope that they can enjoy more relaxed positions within the club now.

Secondly, I would like to thank all of you for your support as I now take on the lead responsibilities as President of the club. I would like to thank George Denton for deciding to take on the responsibilities as Vice President, also to Ron Benson and John Hunter for their continuing service.

I assure you that we will all work together to keep our club prosperous and fun.

Last month, we had great turnout for a wonderful Christmas dinner. George Denton and his crew of volunteers put out quite a feast for us all to enjoy. A big thanks to George, his wife Angela and all who participated and helped in any way. The yearly achievement awards were also handed out to several club members. Great job everyone!

Lisa Robbins generously donated her time to sew patches onto a new batch of caps for us. Thank you very much.

Here it is January and while many shops take a winter break, begin to consider the upcoming seasons. There will be new shows to attend and participate in, new projects to plan and to build, field trips, shop visits, toys for the kids and such. Our club provides many opportunities for the enjoyment of our woodworking community. Please also consider how you may be able to help share in providing a service here. Take some time and ponder the skills and benefits that you may have that can be of use to the club. Look back at your past hobbies, skills, work life and friends. You will probably find that you

possess a great many talents, your work life may have given you skills in computers, social media, organizational skills, word, data and or number management . You may know someone else that wouldn't mind sharing some particular knowledge. You might have special math skills or are adept in laying out joinery, sharpening and or tool care, or in project design. You may have friends that also are into woodworking but have not been to a meeting. Please invite them. These are all very useful attributes in our hobby and everyone can benefit in the sharing of relevant resources, information and knowledge.

REMINDERS:

This months program will be our silent auction.

Dig out that tool or other related item that you have been hanging on to and now it can find a new home. If you want to bid on an item , write it down, then the next person writes in his increased bid below (do not cross out a lower bid, start a new line and write in a new bid that is larger!) Items not sold must be taken back by the owner and not left on the premises.

Upcoming Shows;

The Woodworking Shows

Indianapolis January 26-28

Milwaukee February 16-18

Thanks and be safe,

Jeff Snellgrove

President NIWA

SHOW AND TELL



Kevin Sturgeon



Julie Sturgeon



Julie Sturgeon



Jeff Snellgrove



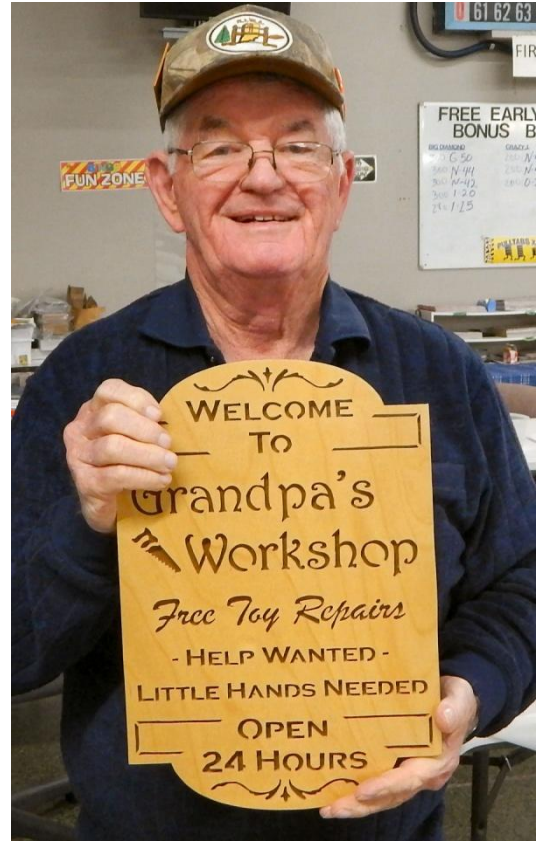
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Norm Johnson

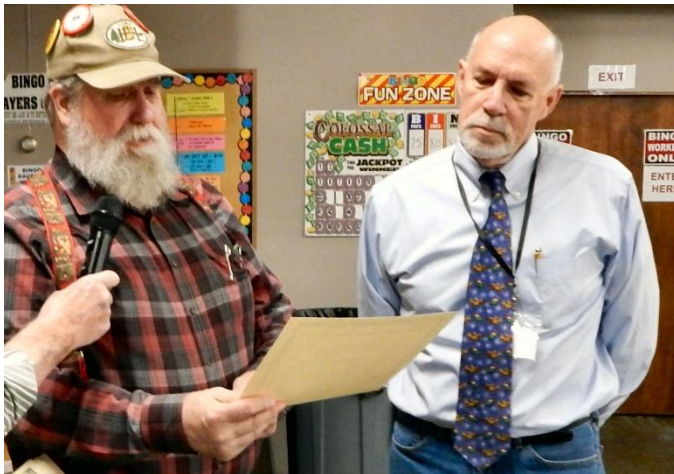


Kevin Klebs



Dick Sader

AWARDS



Dennis Byron



Mathew Castro



George Denton



Julie Sturgeon



Gene Davis



George Denton



Bill Schoech



Bill Schoech



Jeff Snellgrove



Jeff Snellgrove



Norm Johnson



Jon Robbins



Kevin Sturgeon



Dennis Byron

CHRISTMAS PARTY



2024

- January 8th Executive Board Meeting 5 PM at Portage Moose Lodge on County Line Road
January 17th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN 7:00 PM
January 25th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN 7:00 PM
Silent Auction
February 14th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
7:00 PM
February 22nd Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
7:00 PM Shop Jigs
March 20th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
7:00 PM
March 28th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
7:00 PM
April 2nd Executive Board Meeting at Portage Moose Lodge on County Line Road
April 17th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
7:00 PM
April 20th Shop Visit at Scott Phillips Shop.

April 25th Membership Meeting at at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
 7:00 PM 2 x 4 Challenge
 May 15th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
 7:00 PM
 May 23rd Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
 7:00 PM
 June 19th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
 7:00 PM
 June 27th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
 7:00 PM
 July 11th Set Up Club Booth at Steam Show 3 PM at Lake County Fair Grounds
 July 12th to 14th Club Booth at the Steam Show at Lake County Fair Grounds
 July 8th Executive Board Meeting 5 PM at Portage Moose Lodge on County Line Road
 July 17th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
 7:00 PM
 July 25th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
 7:00 PM
 August 14th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
 7:00 PM
 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