

# WOOD CHIPS



Northwest Indiana Woodworkers Association

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## Wooden you like to know...

Greetings fellow woodworkers,

My topic this month will be on the importance of joining and participating in a club.

Joining a social club can dramatically enrich your life. Social clubs provide opportunities to meet new people, learn new skills, and pursue your interests. With regular participation, social clubs also provide a sense of support, community, and belonging.

By joining a social club, you open doors to new experiences, adventures, and friendships, which can positively impact your mental, emotional, and physical well being. Each social club will have its own unique offerings and focus, so take the time to explore your options and consider your core values and your goals for joining before committing to one particular club. Then...just sign up, show up and begin the journey!

A club can help you;

1. Find the people who share your interests.
2. Expand your views
3. Find “Phase of life “ friends.
4. Quickly integrate into your community.
5. Network your business.
6. Explore and share your hobbies and interests.
7. Try something brand new.
8. Engage in lifelong learning.
9. Develop leadership skills.
10. Be invited to exclusive events.
11. And to create lasting memories.

Will will have sign-up sheets at this month's meeting for the Lake county Fair volunteers on Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> through Aug 5<sup>th</sup> and for our club picnic on Aug 25th

## REMINDERS:

The July program will be Dennis Byron speaking on shop organization and dust collection.

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

## FROM THE TREASURER

NIWA woodworkers club members.

So far your club has 47 paid up members. There are still only 7 not paid their dues yet. To those few members this coming meeting on July 25th. dues can be paid then. Still only \$25.00 or \$35.00 for couples. If not paid by this meeting your newsletter will not be available to you. Your club needs your support and great projects. Come join your fellow woodworkers.

Ron Benson

## SHOW AND TELL



Jeff Snellgrove



George Denton



**Don Miller**



**Dennis Byron**



**Kevin Sturgeon**

## NOTICE

The intersection of Cleveland and Hobart road is now closed in all directions for the construction of the roundabout. It is expected to be closed through early September.

Access to the Moose Lodge will be from the south only during that time.

## OLD PROJECT CHALLENGE



**Don Miller**



**Jeff Snellgrove**



**George Denton**



**John Hunter**



Kevin Sturgeon

## TRACTOR SHOW







## 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

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

7:00 PM

August 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Lake County Fair club booth

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

## **Thank You**

I would personally like to thank everyone that participated in the Lake County Tractor Show. Unfortunately, it was the usual group of members that helped set up the booth, volunteered to bring equipment, fans, coolers, and everything needed for the booth. A special thank you for all members that donated items to sell. Once again, sales from donated items was 3 to 1 to Raffle sales.

I hope more members participate in the Porter County Tractor Show in September. These shows are fun and definitely help the club financially and also a means to obtain new members.

Once again thanks everyone that made this event successful. Jon Robbins

## **MCBEATH HARDWOOD TRIP**

Recently our vice president George Dent made a trip to McBeath Hardwood, here are some of his photo's.





