

WOOD CHIPS



Northwest Indiana Woodworkers Association

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President's Corner

Greetings Fellow Woodworkers, Happy Father's Day to all of the Dad's, Grandfather's and Great Grandfathers. We are so close to July and all the celebrations for the 4th. Be safe and don't let your mind wander while in the workshop. Mark your calendars for the upcoming South Lake County Historical Society Antique Tractor Show July 7th, 8th and 9th. Setup is Thursday the 6th from 3 till 5 P.M. We are to enter at the south gate #4 and our Membership cards will be our pass. Check your card to see if it is outdated. Gates open at 8 AM., opening ceremonies start at 9 A.M. and Operational Exhibits & Activities 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. Check their web site for more information at <http://www.slcahs.org/show-info.html> . This year we are requesting a donation of some project that you made for the club to sell at the Tractor show. Please put a tag with your name and how much you think it is worth on it. If it does not sell it will be returned. Also any information that is important about the project. A sign up sheet will be at the next meeting. I hope everyone will help out wherever they can to make these events a success, you are what makes this club happen, we need your support!

Shop Visits! It is time to plan for a shop visit in 2023. Hold your visit and get your 24-25 dues paid by the club.

Our EDUCATIONAL RAFFLE Kick Off has begun, time to get yours. Tickets are in for the 2023 Raffle!

Picnic and Christmas/Awards dinner chairperson position is open. We could use a good organizer for this position. In the meantime I will be asking our members to step up and help out. As in the past all of you have always been so generous in helping.

Date for the Picnic has been changed to **Sunday August 27th** and the venue has been changed to VFW in Portage this year.

Bill Schoech, reminds us that it is NOT too early to start making toys for our kids program.

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

Your President, Kevin Sturgeon

SHOW AND TELL



Dan Schreiber



Gene Davis



Bob Miller



Kevin Sturgeon



Kevin Sturgeon



Mathew Jackowski



Bill Schoech



Steve Bennett



Jon Robbins



Steve Bennett

SHOP VISIT

Member George Denton will be hosting a shop visit on Saturday July 15th, 9AM to 12 noon. I am planning on having coffee and Donuts. Also I will setup some chairs in case we want to do some shop talk. His address is :

307 W 163rd Ave
Lowell IN 46356.

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

2023

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

July 6th Set Up Club Booth at Steam Show 3 PM at Lake County Fair Grounds

July 7th – 9th Club Booth at the Steam Show at Lake County Fair Grounds

July 10th Executive Board Meeting 5 PM at Portage Moose Lodge on County Line Road

July 19th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM
July 27th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM
August 16th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM
August 24th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN 7:00 PM

August 27th Club Picnic at VFW Post at 2803 Monnier Street, Portage IN 46368 12:00 Noon

September 20th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM
September 21st Setup booth for Fall Harvest Festival And Antique Equipment Show

September 22nd – 24th Club Booth at Fall Harvest Festival And Antique Equipment Show

9:00 – 5:00
September 28th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

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

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

October 18th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM
October 26th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM
November 8th 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

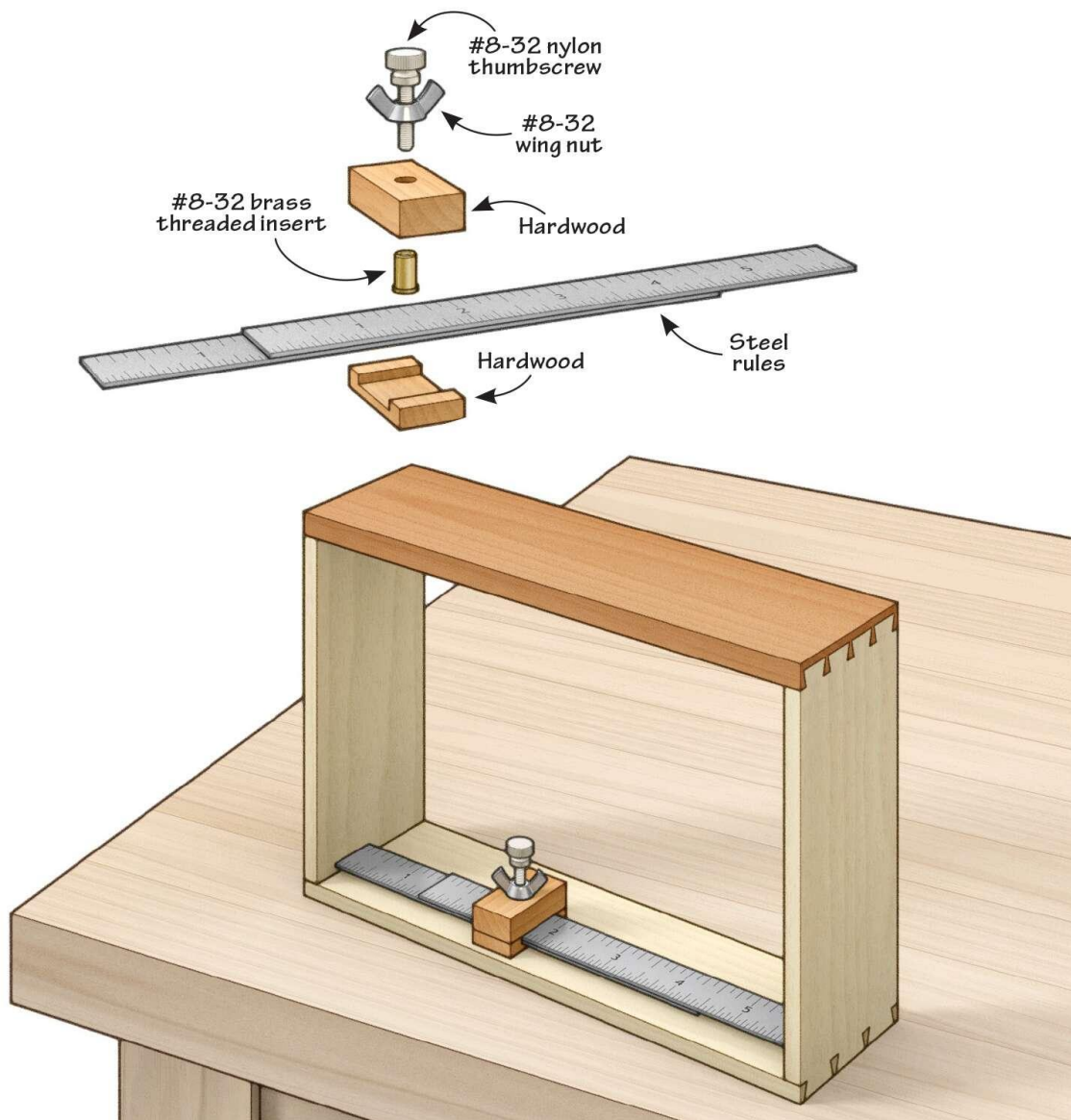
December 6th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM
December 14th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

6:00 PM Christmas Party, Installation and Awards

Woodworking Tips

DIY Measuring Sticks Make Accurate Inside Measurements



I made a set of measuring sticks from a pair of 6" steel rules and a shop-made clamp. The clamp starts with two pieces of hardwood. I cut a shallow dado in the bottom portion of the clamp with a depth equal to the thickness of the rules stacked.

The top portion of the clamp contains a #8-32 nylon knurled-head thumbscrew, wing nut, and brass threaded insert as shown. With these in place, I glued the two wood parts together.

The nylon screw clamps the rules together without marring them. The wing nut locks the screw in place. These measuring sticks proved so useful for tasks like taking internal measurements, transferring lengths of project parts, and squaring boxes and cases that I made others using 12" and 18" steel rules.