

WOOD CHIPS



Northwest Indiana Woodworkers Association

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President's Corner

Greetings Fellow Woodworkers, I hope everyone is doing well. Finally some good news to report, the

South Lake County Historical Society Tractor Show and the Lake County Fair will be held this year! We are registered for the tractor show which starts on Friday July 9th through Sunday the 11th. We will be in the Arts and Crafts Building and setup will be Thursday July 8th, time to be determined at the meeting. We need volunteers to make this work! Whether in demonstrations or sell raffle tickets and creating interest in our club. A sign up sheet will be at the next meeting. Lake County Fair starts August 6th and our part goes through the 9th at 9 PM. A sign up sheet will be at the next meeting. I hope everyone will help out where ever they can to make these events a success, you are what makes this club happen, we need your support!

Programs: Micheal Belzoski will be having a talk about veneering in June.

July will be Dick Sader and Jon Robbins on scroll saw.

Upcoming Club Events:

South Lake County Historical Society Tractor Show Friday July 9th through Sunday the 11th

Lake County Fair Friday August 6th 9 AM to the night of the 9th for us.

Annual club picnic August 21 at 12 noon.

Renew your membership now before the May meeting and earn your **early bird** credit. See the email Ron sent out to the members for more information.

2021 Dues are Due! Why wait for the last minute, Be an Early Bird and receive a credit to the Achievement Award program.

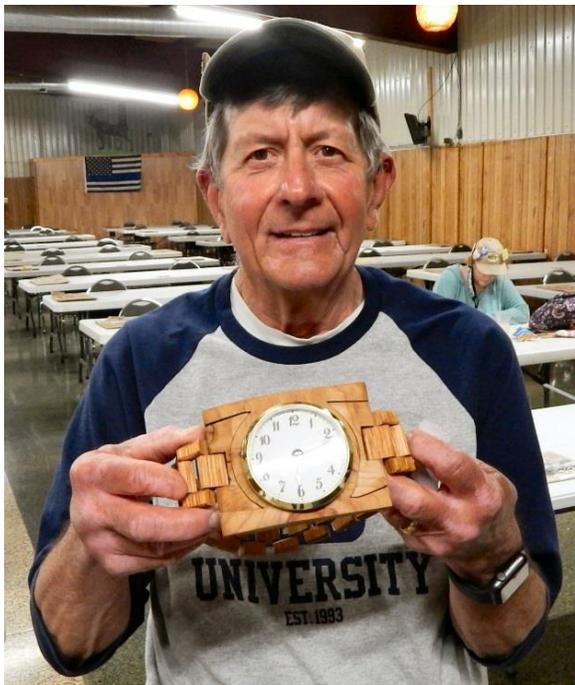
Schedule and have your **shop visit** before the **May** meeting and get your 2021 dues paid by the club.

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

Your President,

Kevin Sturgeon

SHOW AND TELL



Norm Johnson



Gene Davis



Kevin Sturgeon



Bob Miller



Rodney Foster



Bill Schoech



Jon Robbins



Dick Sader

2 X 4 CHALLENGE



Rodney Foster



Bill Schoech



Don Bunce



Kevin Sturgeon



Susan Bunce



Norm Johnson

ITEMS FOR SALE

1. A number of new boxed 2 tube 4' long florescent fixtures. \$2.00 each
2. 5' long galvanized pipe, New, suitable for a drill press column 3 ½" diameter, Same as my older 17" Delta Floor Model Drill Press. \$5.00
3. Leigh Dovetail Jig #D1258-24R, Brand new condition. 24" jig assembly complete with all books and manuals – all tool accessories needed for use – includes Leigh #80 dovetail bit, #140 straight bit. Come to the shop and see. \$150.00
4. 3 Pcs. #2 use type wire, never used approximately 36feet long. \$50.00
5. Brand new paint cans – ½ pint – 1 pint – 1 quart sizes, most with lids .50 cents.
6. Brand new Rockler brand 6 pc. Fractional Foster bit set – boxed. \$20.00
7. Heavy duty grinder stand – ½" plate mounting plate – Steel column – cast iron 3 foot base, water trough – 32" high excellent condition.\$25.00
8. 1 large roll of cheese cloth, 9" diameter by 18" long roll. \$5.00

I have quite a number of electrical boxes. Most never used – new. Some with one knockout removed.

Not used - .50 cents
1 knockout - .25 cents

Call Al Kalos 219-962-4812

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

2021

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

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

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

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

July 8th Set Up Club Booth at Steam Show 3 PM

July 9th – 11th Club Booth at the Steam Show at Lake County Fair Grounds

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

July 22nd Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM
August 5th Set Up Club Booth at Lake County Fair 9 PM
August 6th – 9th Club Booth at Lake County Fair 10 AM – 10 PM
August 18th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
7:00 PM
August 21st Club Picnic at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
12:00 Noon
August 26th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
7:00 PM
September 15st Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
7:00 PM
September 23rd Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
7:00 PM Program Favorite/Least Favorite tools
October 4th Executive Board Meeting 5 PM at Portage Moose Lodge on County Line Road
October 20th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
7:00 PM
October 28th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
7:00 PM
November 10th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
7:00 PM
November 18th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
7:00 PM Toy Program
December 8th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
7:00 PM
December 16th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN
6:00 PM Christmas Party, Installation and Awards

Bob Flexner's Finishing Tips
<http://www.thefinishingstore.com/>

TIP: Stains can change color over time

Many, probably most, store-bought stains are made with both dye and pigment. If wood stained with these stains is exposed to sunlight or fluorescent light for a while, the dye color will fade away, but the pigment color will remain. The effect is that the stained wood changes color.

In the accompanying picture the red dye in this “cherry” stain has faded on the top half (I covered the bottom half) after only a few days in direct sunlight, leaving the color significantly different. It’s definitely no longer cherry color.

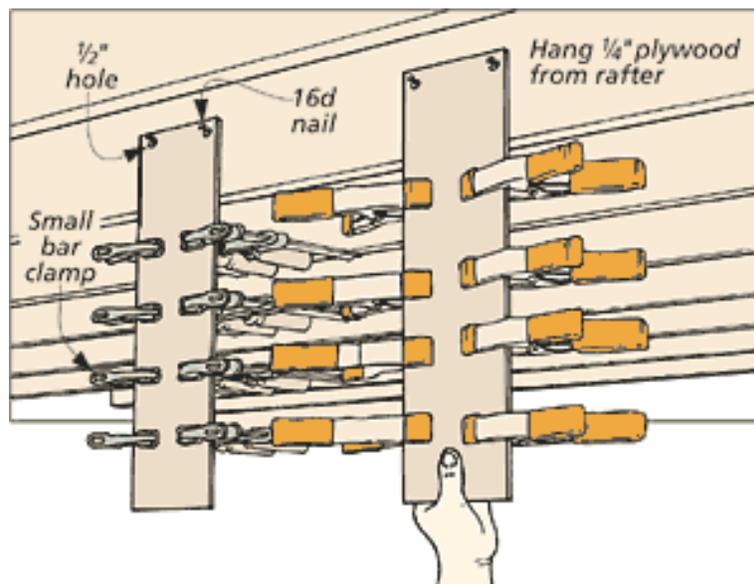
The fading occurs much more rapidly in direct sunlight than indoors with a window providing a partial barrier to UV light. Nevertheless, you need to be aware of the problem when choosing a stain, depending on where the object will be placed.

To my knowledge manufacturers never tell us if there is dye in the stain, so we have to determine this ourselves. The easy way is to open the can after it has sat on a shelf for a week or two to allow the pigment to settle, then insert a light-colored wood stirring stick an inch or so into the stain. If it colors the stirring stick, there is dye in the stain because dye dissolves; it doesn't settle.

If you insert the stirring stick to the bottom of the can, and the pigment has fully settled, you should be able to bring up a little pigment. Very few stains contain no pigment, but some do.

Overhead Clamp Holder

I found that I'd accumulated so many small clamps that storing them was becoming a problem. So I resolved to come up with a storage system that would keep my numerous bar clamps and spring clamps out of the way but still within easy reach. It turned out that the perfect spot was right over my head.



As you can see in the drawing at right, my small clamp storage merely consists of a couple pieces of $\frac{1}{4}$ " plywood hanging from the joists of my basement shop. Each piece of plywood simply slips over a couple of large nails. When I need a clamp or two, I simply reach up, lift the plywood off its hangers and remove the clamps I need.

So now my clamp collection stays out of sight, out of the way, but always at my fingertips.

Have a nice weekend,

Ted Raife
Editor, *Woodsmith*