

WOOD CHIPS



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President's Corner

Greetings Fellow Woodworkers,

Fall Harvest Festival And Antique Equipment Show at Sunset Hill Park was this weekend. Setup was the 21st and the show was the 22nd, 23rd and 24th from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM each day. Our members did an excellent job promoting our club! All of you can be proud of what we accomplished.

Unfortunately I could not make the Sunday portion due to a prior commitment.

Club Picnic at the VFW. Our annual Picnic was well attended and we were blessed with a wonderful day! I liked that we had a shelter and tables to congregate under with a nice breeze. How did you like this change of venue? Should we stay with the VFW next year? Was there any down side to changing to a Sunday? Personally I liked the venue and Sunday worked for Julie & I, we would like to hear your opinions at the next meeting. Let us know how it turned out for you. This year the food was very good.

October's meeting we are planning the October fest again as a thank you to all our members for all the participation and help that you have done throughout the year.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

October is here and the nominating committee needs to gather nominee's for next year's officers. Have you considered running for an office? You want to see a change in direction of the club? You can run for any office. The nominating committee will start the process of gathering names for this year's elections.

Raffle Tickets, be sure to see John Fluck and purchase yours now and take some to sell to your friends and family.

Program for September is Second Chance Silent Auction. It was suggested we have another silent auction when the weather was better to search out that dusty tool that you have been hanging on to and now it can find a new home. SAME RULES APPLY AS THE January auction Please don't play any games again we are adults. If you want to bid , write it down (I can't believe I am putting this in)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!!!).

November, Toy give away, drawing of the educational raffle, and Election of officers for 2024.

December, Installation of officers, and Christmas dinner (remember the earlier start time 6PM)

August Program.: George Denton put on a wonderful demonstration on dove tails with his Pantarouter. Thank you George.

EDUCATIONAL RAFFLE , Tickets are in for the 2023 Raffle!

Message from Santa: **Bill Schoech**, The Toy Program Chairman is reminding us that the deadline is fast approaching (November meeting). Time to start putting the finishing touches on the toys for the needy children. Also we need the names of the Charitable organizations with contacts and address of the organization you would like to see get these items. It will be your responsibility to get the items delivered to your organization(s). You can submit the names of organizations at our next meeting or email them to John Hunter at john.b.hunter@frontier.com. November's meeting is when these toys are passed out and time is running short. Please help where you can and thanks to all members who have and are helping make a merrier Christmas for some needy children. Educational Raffle Tickets are still available. Drawing is held at the November meeting. Enjoy this weather and Don't let your tools rust!

Your President, Kevin Sturgeon

SHOW AND TELL



George Denton



Bill Schoech



Norm Johnson



Gene Davis



Kevin Sturgeon



Julie Sturgeon



Kevin Sturgeon



Kevin Sturgeon



Ron Benson



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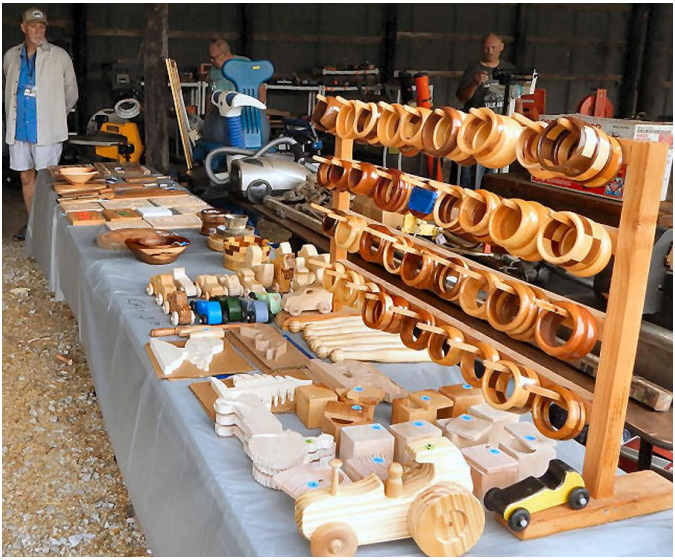






HARVEST FESTIVAL AND TRACTOR SHOW







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 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

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

Free stuff

Passing this on from club member Al Kalos.

I have a number of pieces of various thickness & dimensions of Brass, Aluminum, Copper, Stainless Steel, in flat stock and rounds. Also Linen Grade Formica and various sizes of Hard Rubber & Bakelite rounds.

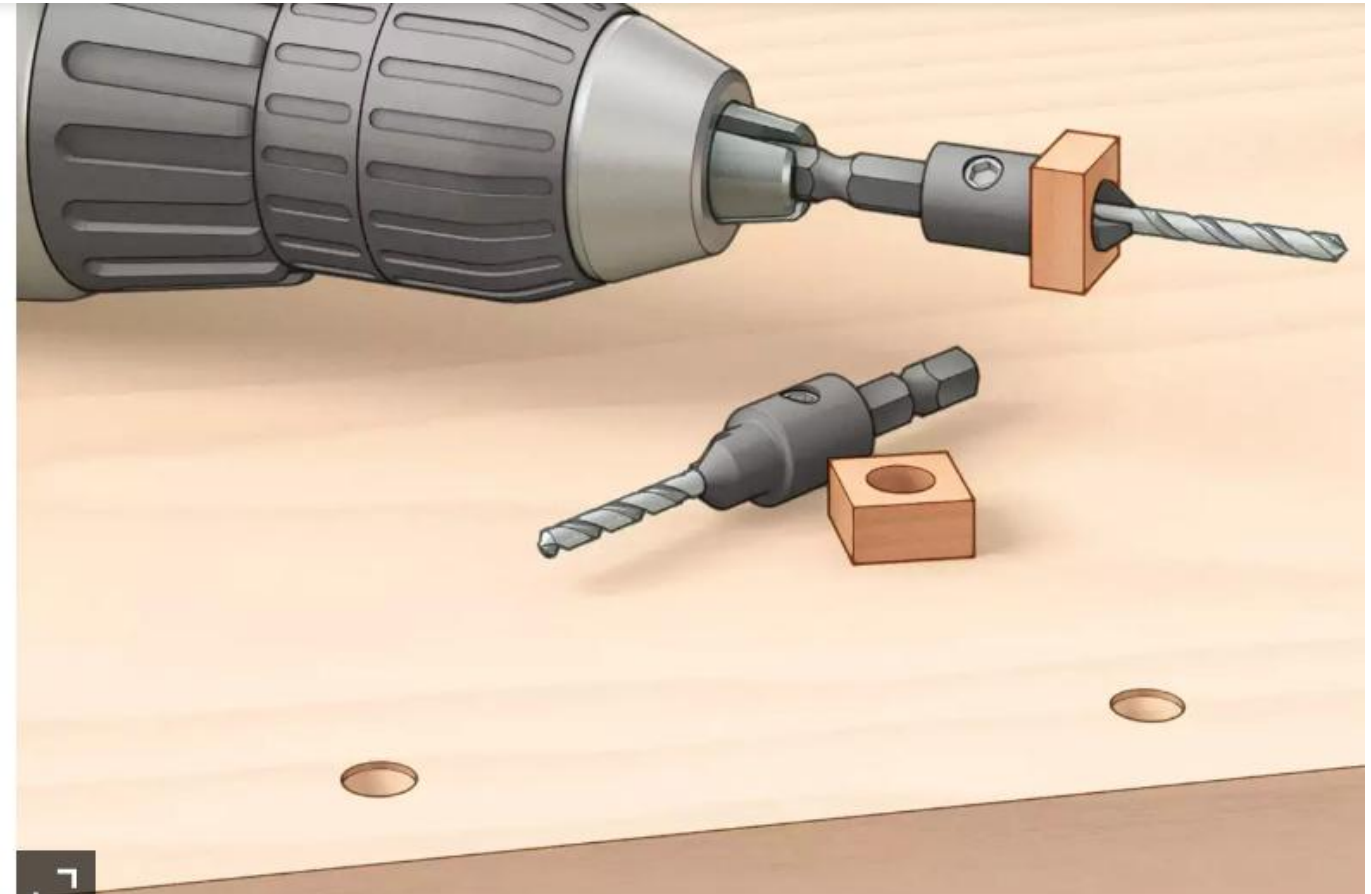
Any use to make jigs or other uses? Give me a call.

Al Kalos

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Consistent Countersink Calibration

DIY depth guide for screws



Call me obsessive-compulsive, but a project appears more professional when screws are set at a uniform depth. Eyeballing or guessing as you drill countersunk pilot holes simply doesn't yield consistent results.

My simple depth guide costs nothing and is easy to make. I drill a hole centered in a small wood block that fits snugly over the head diameter of the countersink bit. The thickness of the block dictates the depth of the countersink. It's a perfect treatment for my OCD (Oddball Countersink Depths).