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Calendar of Events

- August 6 Regular Monthly meeting, Yacht Club 7:00 pm.
Program: Router Bits - Todd Reece, Whiteside Manufacturing
- August 22 Board Meeting, Tanasi Grill 8:00 a.m. All members are welcome!
- September 3 Regular Monthly meeting, Yacht Club 7:00 p.m.
Program: Toys for Tots Kickoff

Board Meeting Highlights - 7/25/2015

The Board of the TVWW Club met July 25 at Tanasi Grill. Fourteen members were present. The following items were discussed and appropriate action taken.

With great fanfare (you had to be there), President Lloyd Donnelly presented Dick Hoffmann with a bottle of wine in appreciation for all the volunteer work Dick has done for the benefit of the club.

Vice President Don Schmid reported that the club has completed 30 community service projects year to date.

Treasurer Rick Mannarino reported a balance of \$5451.92 in the treasury, which includes \$2310.16 in the kiln amortization fund and \$35 in the TFT fund.

TFT Chairman Ken Harvey will start TFT team signups in August this year to draw

in more new members to the work teams.

The current kiln inventory consists of 600 bf of red oak, 80 bf of hickory, and 120 bf of aromatic cedar. The next wood sale is anticipated for mid-August.

Eight members have signed up for the case design workshop led by Tom Borloglou, Hugh Moore, and Ron Cirincione.

The Mentoring Survey showed three areas of interest for training: router, wood turning, and joinery. Bill McKeel, Tom Borloglou, Paul Sivak, and Dick Hoffmann volunteered to help mentor, which will start early next year. Additional mentors will be solicited.

Lloyd Donnelly and Chris Campbell will work to streamline the club's membership renewal process.

Save the Date!

The TVWW annual picnic is set for September 16. More info to follow.

The Making of Christmas Joy

Tom Borloglou

I know it seems a bit early in the year to be thinking of toy making but as you all know, the second half of the year always goes by faster than the first half. It's a rule!

Flashback to December 2005:

When we first came to Tellico Village my wife and I had the great fortune of attending a December gathering of woodworkers displaying their creations in the gym at the Recreation Center. It was an impressive site to be sure. When I found out that they, the woodworkers, were giving these "toys" to Loudon County children - I was blown away. The array of items was impressive. To call all of them "toys" would be a disservice. There were pieces of furniture, musical instruments, tool boxes and many other items besides puzzles, pull toys, model airplanes, board games, etc. It was then that I knew I wanted to be part of this, this whole thing of making something with my hands and giving to the community. It just doesn't get better than that. What a great group of people that would organize such a thing! I joined the Tellico Village Woodworkers Club that night.

Fast forward to August 2015:

The members of the Tellico Village Woodworkers Club are getting ready to create more of their annual giveaways. Thank goodness I will be a participant of this great tradition again. The making of "toys" to support the Loudon County Sheriffs Toys for Tots program is a major undertaking for the woodworkers.

Some of our woodworkers prefer to work alone, while others work in groups. I suppose each has its own reward, but working within a group gives me the most pleasure. There are many good parts to the program, such as getting together with guys and gals that share the love of making things. Then there is the everlasting camaraderie one develops with fellow

woodworkers. (In order to get to know more woodworkers I've worked with different groups over the years) Of course there is the aspect of learning new techniques and ideas from others. But the thing I think that ties it all together for me - is knowing that we are doing something for our fellow man. After all it's not just the kids who benefit from the toys we make, but their parents do as well. *(but really I'm the one who benefits the most)*

If you are new to the club or haven't worked with a group for this worthy cause I would encourage you to give it a try this year. You won't regret it!

Pecan Tree

Bill McKeal

Our club has an opportunity to harvest a large pecan tree. The tree is on the property of a man in Sweetwater who has offered the majority of the tree to us. The tree is infringing on power lines adjacent to his property and the city/utility company is going to cut the tree down in a few weeks. The plan is to have the utility company cut the logs to our specifications and at a later date schedule Jason (our logs to lumber guy) to setup and cut on the Sweetwater location. At the cutting we'll need pickups to transport the cut lumber to our kiln (about a 30 minute drive). Pecan is a member of the hickory family and there is about a kiln load (1200-1400 BFT) of lumber in this one tree. More info will follow as to a cutting date.



From Our Members' Shops

Show and Tell at our July meeting produced some very interesting member projects.



Chris Campbell shared her latest intricate creation in miniature.



Bob Brown turned this bud vase from a piece of magnolia.



Bill VanBrunt built this clock with its very distinctive design features from a leftover piece of red oak.



Joe Collins made this jewelry box from coco bolo wood, with a curly maple lid and blood wood handle.

Tools and Tips

Ed. Note: This tip is from a presentation from our July, 2015 meeting, entitled "60 Woodworking Tips in 60 Minutes or Less". You can view the entire presentation at our TVWW website. This is Tip #13.

Plywood Cover Up

To hide edges in plywood
Cut 45 bevel off end
Flip board
Glue bevel to end
Grain will match



Dick Hoffmann turned this bowl from a cherry burl. Dick used lacquer to create the beautiful finish.



Tom Ringenbach made this napkin holder out of walnut and maple. This was his first project using finger joints.

