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Calendar of Events

May 3	Wood Sale Kiln, POA Yard 5:00 p.m.
May 5	General Meeting Yacht Club 7:00 p.m. Program: Ron Clayton describe construction of his desk exhibited at Master Woodworkers Show.
May 7	Field trip to Jeffrey's Lumber. Cooper Center 10:15 a.m.
May 17	Wood Cutting POA yard 8:30 a.m.
May 21	Board Meeting Sloan's Hardware 8:15 a.m. All members are welcome.
June 2	General Meeting Yacht Club 7:00 p.m. Program: Spring Challenge

Board Meeting Highlights - 4/23/2016

The TVWW Club Board met on April 23, 2016, at Sloan's Hardware. Twenty-one members were present. The following items were discussed and, as appropriate, acted upon.

There have been 14 requests for community services projects year-to-date. Two projects are still in progress. The TVCC has requested construction of two rotating brochure stands. Plans and cost estimates are being prepared.

Rick Mannarino reported that the club has a total of \$5662 on hand, consisting of \$2692 in General Fund, \$170 in Toys for Tots, and \$2800 in kiln amortization.

Wes McNeal announced that this was his final Board meeting as secretary. Barry Brandt takes over as secretary.

Chris Campbell announced that the club currently has 127 paid members.
Both a wood sale and wood cutting were announced for May. (See calendar above for dates and times.)

The commemorative photo plaques noting the long partnership between the TVWW club and Loudon County Sheriff Tim Guider on Toys for Tots will be presented to the Sheriff on April 28.

Setup for TVWW club participation at the ongoing Community Church craft display during the month of May is set for April 29 and 30.

Board Meeting Highlights (cont)

VP Don Schmid will present a report at the May 12 HOA meeting discussing the club's program of Community Service projects.

Dick Hoffmann reported that the club web site redesign is essentially complete. Dick will talk with Karen Brown regarding maintenance. Among other features, the new web site will include a picture gallery, where members can post pictures of completed projects.

There was further discussion of club purchase of a CNC (Computer Numerical Control) machine. A committee has been set up to further study the issue.

A committee will be appointed to produce and distribute a new club promotional brochure.

Rick Mannarino has purchased a very lightly used Porter-Cable biscuit joiner, which he has donated to the club, and which will be available for member use as a club tool in the future.

New Member

Scotty Shipp

Welcome to the Club!

Doors and Pulls

Ned Miller

Mark Gregory and I recently ventured to Athens to check out "Doors and Pulls", the store with "a million doors". Arriving at its Jackson Street location, we found an assemblage of concrete block industrial buildings reminiscent of Hiwassee Furniture. We parked the car and headed toward what appeared to be the office.

The "office" is a small room with shelves packed with a wide assortment of items ranging from water bottles for hamster cages to packets of stationery to baby dining sets. Everything looks/ feels dusty. We were soon joined by a middle aged woman who confirmed that she was on staff. Advised that we were on an exploratory trip for cabinet doors, she ushered us into the adjacent showroom.

The far wall in the 15 foot square room displayed about 20 small cabinet doors of various designs and finishes. Miscellaneous stock was scattered around the room. The clerk explained that the store does, indeed, stock about one million of such doors in many sizes. Contact them with your requirements and they will provide prices. Most range from \$8 to \$20 each, depending on size. Mark checked out some MDF-based doors standing on the concrete floor and noted that they had started to blister and warp in the absence of climate control.

We then toured the rest of the building which is devoted to cabinet hardware. Rooms large and small are outfitted with shelving lots of shelving, many feet high. The shelves are packed with narrow cardboard boxes containing pulls, knobs and other cabinet hardware. Each box has a sample of the box's contents attached to its front. The organizational logic of the stock was not apparent. One array of boxes had "\$1.00" or "\$2.00" written on them, but we were told that these prices weren't necessarily current. Much of the hardware is Amerock, but they carry a number of other brands.

We left feeling sorry for the business knowing that they'll never sell even a small fraction of their inventory and that once closed, most of the stock would end up in dumpsters.

Ideas from the Internet

(Ed. Note: Two members this month sent in links to websites with ideas they believed would be of interest to the membership. Perhaps this is the start of a new feature column! If you spot something you find particularly interesting, share it with your fellow woodworkers. Send a link to your editor at the address in the masthead.)

Gene Yeager sent in a source for furniture design ideas with (many) hidden compartments. You'll like the photos.

qlinedesign.com

Dave Breen, who has done quite a bit of research on cyclone dust collectors, found a low cost option at this website:

www.jpthien.com/cy.htm

April Speaker

Our guest speaker for April was Robert Puhlman, whose home is Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Bob is a skilled practitioner of the art of intarsia. His presentation encompassed a broad-based, yet detailed introduction designed to provide a newcomer to the craft with a solid foundation for getting started.

Thanks, Bob, for an interesting and very informative presentation.



New Club Officers



Our newest club officers posed for the camera at the April meeting. Give a shout out to Ron Cirincione (Treasurer) and Barry Brandt (Secretary).

From Our Members' Shops

The Show & Tell portion of April's meeting again yielded some very interesting projects.



Dennis Smith, a prospective club member, shared this amazing intarsia project, featuring wisteria flowers, and composed of over 1400 pieces!



Chris Campbell shows club members the results of her experimental turnings creating out-turned leaves at the top of small cups. As Chris explained, these two were her "successes": though not perfect, they escaped the fate of four other attempts, which apparently wasn't pretty!

From Our Members' Shops (Cont)



Scott Harvey turned this gavel as a participant in a club mentoring class.



Ted Lethen showed off an intricate candle holder turned by his son.

Tools and Tips

It's always amazing how quickly rust can appear on a tool. Sometimes it happens overnight. And even some types of tool guards can cause rust in a damp shop (margin photo at left). The good news is that there are several ways to protect your hand and power tools that won't require a lot of time or effort. Some are even a bit unconventional, but effective. When putting hand tools away at the end of the day, give them a quick wipe with camellia oil. It takes no time at all to apply. You might think that any lightweight oil would do the trick. But unlike camellia oil, it may stain the wood.





Another quick and easy solution is to use a spray. And if you walk down the aisle at the hardware store, you'll find dozens of spray products that claim to prevent rust. The idea is to form a protective barrier against moisture on the steel. When choosing a rust-preventative for my tools, I like to use products that are woodworker-friendly and compatible with my tools and projects. One such product is Boeshield T-9. It leaves a thin, waxy film. And all it takes is a quick spritz. You can wipe off the excess or just let it dry to form a heavier film.

It seems like the cast iron surfaces on a stationary power tool are the worst for attracting rust. It's because it's so porous. There are tiny openings in the metal, and these pores are great collection spots for any moisture in the air. So, like your hand tools, the key is to provide a protective barrier. And, to do this, you can use one of the many products I mentioned earlier. But there are a couple of low-cost, "unconventional" treatments you can try. Paste wax will do a good job, too. But there's a quicker, no-mess way to apply some wax. Crumple up some waxed paper and rub it vigorously on your table saw table and the beds of your planer and jointer. Besides protecting them from rust, it also forms a slick surface.





Another unconventional technique is using baby powder or talcum powder. When you think about its original use, it makes a bit of sense — talc repels moisture. But you have to make sure you use powder made from talc and not corn starch. While talc resists moisture, corn starch will absorb it. Just sprinkle the powder liberally on the surface and rub it in with a felt chalkboard eraser. The talc works its way into the pores to repel moisture and leaves a smooth surface.

SOURCE: Woodsmith.com.