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Calendar of Events

December 5	Toys-For-Tots Presentation	Community Church	7:00 PM	Presentation Program
December	No Board Meeting			
Jan. 2, 2020	General Meeting	Yacht Club	7:15 PM	Wood Turning Live Demo by Jake Nealy; Toys-For-Tots Recap; TVWC Website Highlights.
January 7	Old Splinters Lunch	Little Italy	11:45 AM	
January 25	Board Meeting	Sloan's	8:15 AM	All members Welcome

Board Meeting Highlights

The TVWC Board met on November 23, 2019. Attending: Cirincione, Brown, Chapman, Donnelly, Ned Miller, Ringenbach, Kimbrel, McKeel, John Johnson, Borloglou, McNeal, Anderson, Mannarino, Hoffman, Ernst, Ware, Barbre, Mitchell, and Schmid

amortization fund to stop making monthly contributions. Ron will have a budget proposal out to the membership before the January board meeting. At Bill McKeel's suggestion, Ron promised to look at how the section of the budget entitled "Wood Operations" could be differently presented so that expected revenue shortfalls early in the year weren't incorrectly perceived by some members as poor performance on the club's part.

Treasurers' Report (Ron Cirincione)

Ron will ask the Board early next year for a decision on whether we have accumulated enough in our kiln

Community Service Projects (Jim Chapman)

One new request in last 30 days for a handicap "step-up". Don Schmid will see if something he already has will fit the bill.

Programs (Ned Miller):

January 2019: Recap of 2019 Toys For Tots Program (Jerry Mitchell) plus Club website highlights (Dick Hoffman), and Jake Nealy (a turner) for a quick live demonstration.

Kiln Status (Bruce Barbre) & Wood Sale (Lloyd Donnelly):

About 800 bf of oak and 400 bf of cherry are currently drying in the kiln. Oak started at 60% water and the cherry at 30% presenting a challenge not to over dry the cherry while getting the water out of the oak. Bruce will conduct further analysis after the board meeting and proceed with the drying of both species so that the entire load is appropriately dried and bug killed. He and Lloyd will confer as to when a wood sale is possible. Lloyd will then announce that sale to the membership. Sale will likely be held sometime between mid-December and mid-January.

Wood Cutting (Bob Fagerlin):

Bob was not present. Upon learning that we now have only four logs at the POA yard--2 oak and 2 poplar, a lengthy discussion pursued as to how to obtain more logs of the species we want.

Two avenues were discussed:

One: A person outside Tellico Village had several thousand bf of hardwood lumber for sale in the recent past. Bruce Barbre has bought from him.

Bruce says his inventory is nice and well dried. Most species were priced at \$1 per bf, with cherry and walnut priced at \$2 per bf. Bruce and Ron Cirincione will investigate the lumber owner's current status and report back to the board on current availability, pricing, etc.

Two: Two local tree services (Prees and CB), at our request, have delivered logs for the club to the POA yard. Mostly, the logs and delivery have been free. A few of these times the logs have been premium logs, but mostly oak. The board discussed the possibility of the club incentivizing these tree services to provide premium logs by offering them payment. Bill McKeel is the club's contact for Pree's and Lloyd Donnelly is the club's contact for CB. The board decided that, before Bill and Lloyd contacted these tree services, that the board should decide on specific species the club want what level of compensation the club should offer to these tree services as an incentive to bring us premium logs. Bill McKeel will head up a group to do this and Bill will organize its first meeting sometime in January, 2020 and give its recommendation report at the February board meeting. Others on the group are Hoffman, Barbre, Chapman, Bob Fagerlin, and Lloyd Donnelly. Once the board has approved a compensation plan, Bill and Lloyd will contact Pree's and CB to see what they might be willing to do to help us. It was noted, that as the Village nears "build out" our Village log supply, that we have relied on heavily for over 20 years, is dwindling, and will eventually disappear. This is happening at the same time our club has quadrupled in size since its inception.

Toys-For-Tots: (Jerry Mitchell):

The board decided to present a check for \$2000 to Sheriff Guider.

Toys-For-Tots Presentation Program Schedule at Community Church of Tellico Village for Thursday, Dec. 5:

1 to 3 PM: Set up of tables and chairs (assistance needed by those that can help).

1 to 3 PM: Cookies dropped off.

1 to 4 PM: Delivery and set up of toys

5 to 7 PM: Open for viewing by public

7 PM: Start of program and presentation to sheriff

Friday, December 6th

Packing and delivery of toys to Sheriff (assistance needed by those that can help) 8:30 a.m. till completed

Group to examine how TVWC can best contribute to the community:

Early in 2020, the board will form a group to look at how the club can best serve the community with its giving. It will look at current programs such as TFT and Beads of Courage and explore new and/or additional services we might provide to maximize our contribution. Bob Brown will see that this group is established at the January 2020 board meeting.

Beads of Courage; (Bob Brown):

Bob announced that WVLT (Channel 8) interviewed several individuals/organizations, to include our president Bob Brown and our club member Dave Brunson (Dave being our club's biggest Beads of courage box contributor and also the State of Tennessee's biggest Beads of Courage box contributor).

Club Tools:

Recommendations for the possible purchase of additional club owned tools in 2020: Bob Brown solicited ideas for possible additional club tool purchases from the membership earlier this year. In January, Lloyd Donnelly will head a group of members to evaluate possible tools to purchase and make recommendations for the board. It will report to the board early in 2020.

*All members are welcome to attend
The Old Splinters Lunch on the first
Tuesday of the month at 11:45 at Little
Italy Restaurant*

General Meeting



Dr. Matthews addressing the meeting

Our guest speaker was Dr. David Matthews, Associate Dean of Facilities and Design at University of Tennessee. He spoke about the design process that he teaches to his students in the School of Architecture. Of paramount importance was using

imagination and not thinking about what are the current solutions to the problem. The steps in the design process are:

- Empathy – understanding the needs of the client
- Definition – setting limits for the project
- Ideation – brainstorming options for the design, often through the use of sketches
- Innovation – building on ideas to provide unique solutions
- Prototyping – using models to prove design concept and learning from mistakes
- Testing – obtain user feedback, critique and scientific measurement for validation



Chairs were used as examples of the design process in meeting customer needs

Dr. Matthews brought in a number of innovative chair designs to illustrate aspects of the design process. One example was the design of the bent plywood chair that arose from an improved splint design used in WWI. A more modern example was a Herman Miller desk chair that automatically adjusts to the occupant.

From Our Members Shops



*Jewelry Box by Bill McKeel
Walnut and Carpathian Elm burl*



*Box by Wes McNeal
Cherry and veneering*



*Live Edge Coffee Tables by Norman Curtis
Cherry and Walnut*



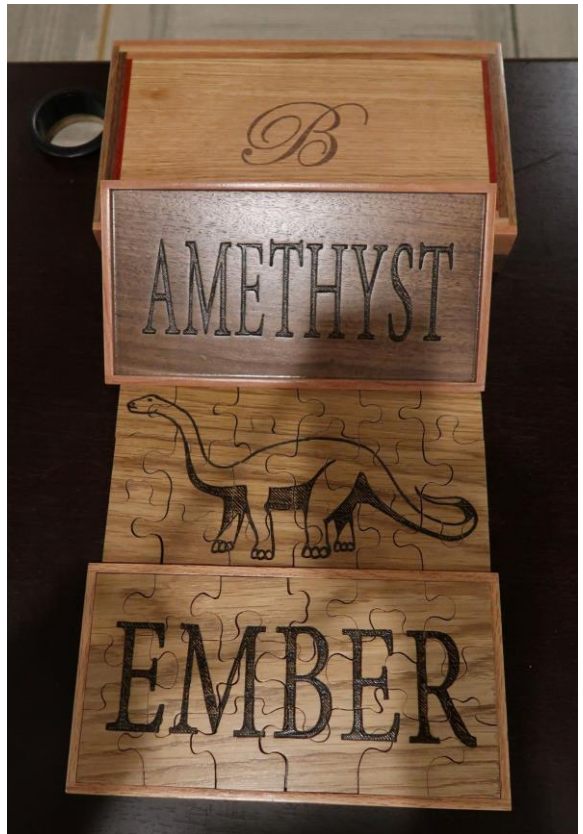
*Bowl by Chris Campbell
Cherry and Poplar*



*Beads of Courage Bowls by Chuck Kulka
White Oak*



Beads of Courage Box by Don Schmid



*Box with Two Sided Puzzles by Glenn Nief
Oak, Cherry, Walnut and others*



*Beads of Courage Box by Dick Hinze
Walnut, Cedar, Poplar, Red Oak and others*



Mini Rocking Horse by John Forcum Mahogany and Maple

New Members

Welcome four new members this month



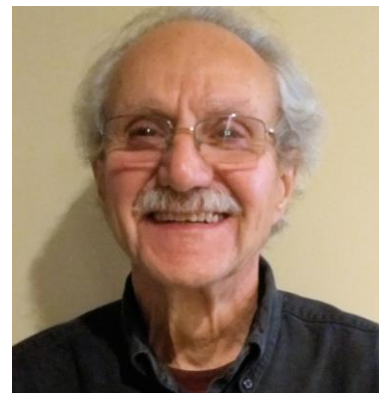
Paul Magnin

A former builder from Joplin, MO including his own home there. Has made benches, chairs and tables from rough lumber; wants to learn to make finer items.



Don Miller

Came here from Sacramento, CA in March. Now setting up this shop in his Tanasi home, looking for ideas on what to focus on in woodworking



Randy Brabant

In Tellico Village for 3 ½ months from Kenosha, WI. Does quite a bit of Intarsia and is interested in participating on local craft fairs



Rick Gram

Loves to do scroll work, crafts and looking forward to making toys

Community Service Project



Here is a ramp project that was completed in the village last month. The ramp was 31 feet in length with three platforms for door entrance and changes in direction.

Woodworkers that assisted the construction are:

Rick Mannarino
Barry Brandt
Thom Lewis
Jerry Mitchell
Mark Knott
Dennis Wolken
Robert Brown

Little Free Libraries

A small group of members have completed two of the “Little Free Libraries”. Little Free Library is a 501c nonprofit organization that promotes neighborhood book exchanges in the form of a public bookcase.

Did You Know?

Trees never die of old age – trees are only ever killed by elements outside of their control, including insects, diseases and people. That’s why sometimes, if they’re really lucky, a tree could live to well over 1000 years old.

Why 3 Titebonds?

Ever wonder why there are three “Titebonds”? Aside from costs, is there ever an advantage of “Titebond” over “Titebond III” or “Titebond II”?

George Vondriska , WWGOA Editor, responded to this question: Titebond II is Type II water resistant. Titebond III is Type I, meaning it goes through more rigorous tests than a Type II glue. A quick web search showed Titebond II priced \$2/quart higher priced than Titebond, and Titebond III at \$3/quart higher than Titebond II. I’d use Titebond II for outdoor furniture that will be slightly protected from the elements. Outside of expense, you could simply use Titebond III for all your woodworking projects. Or, to save some dough, keep regular Titebond on hand for standard indoor projects and Titebond III for anything that will see moisture.

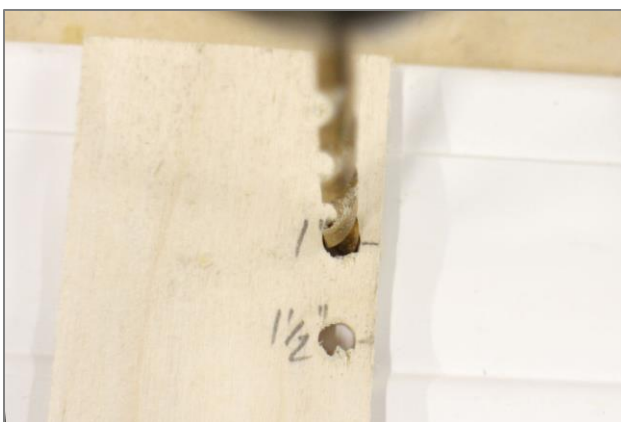
Tools and Tips

From: <https://www.instructables.com/id/10-Woodworking-Tricks-the-Pros-Use/>



Making accurate measurements is important but there's an easy way to cut down on repetitive measurements by making a story stick, a measured reference that can be easily made out of any squared scrap laying around.

Story sticks are great because they can be as specific as you need, are less cumbersome than a tape measure, and once you have the measurement marked there's no chance of a misread measurement.



Taking this concept further a story stick can also be used from drilling holes a consistent distance from an edge. Make a story stick as usual, but this time drill an opening at the measured mark. Now your story stick can be used as a drill guide.