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**Calendar of Events**

June 18	Wood Cutting	POA Yard	9:00 AM	
June 19	Board Meeting	Little Italy	8:00 AM	All members welcome
July 1	General Meeting	Yacht Club	7:00 PM	

**Board Meeting Highlights**

Our last board meeting was on May 22. There were 16 members including the board in attendance. The following items were discussed and, as appropriate, acted upon.

Treasurers' Report The current budget has \$4889.15 in the Club Operations Fund, (\$10.62) in the Wood Operations, \$6051.41 in the Kiln Reserve Fund, \$6259.19 in the General Reserve Fund, \$100.00 in TFT Fund, \$609.20 in the Charity Fund for an ending Balance of \$17,898.33.

Membership The club currently has 204 members. The website has been updated with the current membership.

Secretary's' Report Twenty-six members who did not renew their membership for this year were removed from the email distribution list. The newly elected secretary has resigned from the job so a replacement is needed.

Community Service Projects The following are open projects that are in progress: library boxes for Loudon UMC, shadow box for POA, time capsule for Loudon

courthouse, benches for Our Place, name tag box for TVWC and wheelchair ramp.

B. Brown gave an update on the Our Place project. A meeting was held with the Building Committee of Our Place at which time they presented architectural drawings of the cabinets, cubbies, shelving and bookcases they would like built. Not all dimensions are shown on the drawings so Lloyd and Bob will meet with Bill Taylor from Our Place to clarify all dimensions. This is a massive project that will require many volunteers from the club. Volunteers will be solicited at the next General Meeting. The mentoring program will be a valuable tool to train and recruit members for the building of these items. It was noted that the club would not be making tables, chairs, file cabinets or countertops for this project.

Our Place would prefer the interior wood be made of red oak. With 280 bf of red oak presently in the kiln, L. Donnelly made a motion to designate this wood for the Our Place project. He also requested the white oak in the kiln be used to make benches for Our Place. Our Place would reimburse the club for this wood at a rate of \$1/bf. D. Hoffmann seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed.

Programs The May General Meeting will be the annual Spring Challenge. All members are encouraged to bring a project in which they developed a new skill or technique. Several suggestions for future meetings were made which included a presentation for the application of milk paint by Painted Perch Co., a panel discussion answering questions on CNC programming and a presentation by Crystalac on their

finishes that are often used on musical instruments. N. Kessler will try to make contact with a representative of Titebond for a presentation on gluing.

Newsletter B. LaPoint has volunteered to replace R. Dolson as a back-up photographer for the general meetings. An assistant editor is needed since J. Ernst has taken on the Treasurer position. During the pandemic, recent members did not have their pictures taken for our website. It was suggested to shoot these photos at the next General Meeting.

Kiln Status The kiln will be ready to start the bug kill cycle later next week. The drying cycle will be completed by the next cutting.

The club received a request to dry some lumber from a tree that fell and killed a 15-year-old youth. Lumber will be used to make benches for his mom and Young Life which is the organization that he worked with. The Board approved the use of our kiln for this project.

Wood Sale No report but it is expected to be held at the beginning of June. It should be noted that a significant amount of lumber in the kiln has been pre-sold.

Wood Cutting Due to a number of shortfalls in the milling, drying and selling of our lumber, L. Donnelly wrote and proposed a procedure for "Lumber Identification and Disposal". This procedure would be implemented by a group of volunteers who would initially be led by Lloyd. After much discussion of the operational problems and this proposal, it was decided to communicate these process

problems to the managers of each operation and ask members to be more diligent in their work. If improvement is not seen, we will revisit this proposal. C. Campbell will purchase a new electric stapler.

*Mentoring Program* The organization and planning for this year's mentoring program is in full swing. 22 skills and techniques have been identified with 25 members already expressing an interest in participating. There are a number of openings for mentors to teach these classes.

### **General Meeting**

The main program for this month's meeting was the **Spring Challenge**. The challenge this year was to do build a wood-based project using a technique you have never done before.

The five judging categories this year were:

- Most Complex
- Most Humorous/Comical/Entertaining
- Biggest Stretch in learning something new
- Most Unique
- Best of Show

The entries were:



*Veneer Lazy Susan – Tony Grenis*



*Music Stand – George Heron*



*Hollow Form 2 Part Bowl – Chris Campbell*



*Mallet Putter Head – Dennis Smith*



*Scrap Wood River End Table – Ned Miller*



*Small Side Table – Bruce Barbre*



*Miniature Chair – Glenn Nief*



*Midcentury Modern Chair – Nancy Kessler*



*Bowls – Dennis Wolken*



The winners:



*Most Complex – Bruce Barbre*



*Most Humorous – Glenn Nief*



*Most Unique – Dennis Smith*



*Best of Show – Nancy Kessler*



*Biggest Stretch – George Heron*

Bob Brown was presented an appreciation plaque by the current President Tony Grenis for his service as Past President of the club. We all thank Bob for his efforts over the past two years.



### Show and Tell



This tree scene was created by Jim Mattavi out of steel with a cedar frame. Jim used a plasma arc cutter to melt the steel and high pressure air to blow the melted metal away.

### Community Service Projects

Our club originally built 4 lending Libraries lending libraries of various design for Habitat for Humanity communities in Loudon County. Unfortunately, they were damaged during storage but two were repaired. The Habitat folks had a dedication and installation of the two Little Free Library boxes in the Habitat community by the Loudon County Elementary School. Our club received full credit for building the two boxes.







The club recently built a two-tiered ramp for a resident in the village. Bob Brown, Barry Brandt, Scott Duncan, Larry Gardner and Vince Evans from the woodworkers along with two VFW members (David Crowden and Mike Timmer) worked on the project together.



Don Schmid recently completed a contract project who wanted an end table to house the six draws from an antique sewing cabinet. The wood is cherry.



## Our Place Groundbreaking Ceremony

On June 15, there was a groundbreaking for the Our Place facility being built at the corner of Rt 72 and 444. Our own Jim Dezzutti is Volunteer Chairman for the project.

TV Woodworkers have committed to building cabinetry, shelving and storage for the facility. This major undertaking is being led by Bob Brown. Bob would love to hear from you if you are interested in helping out with this large undertaking by the club.



## Did You Know?

# 20 FACTS ABOUT WOOD

- IKEA USES **1%** OF THE WORLD'S TOTAL WOOD PRODUCTION EACH YEAR.
- A SINGLE TREE CAN ABSORB 48 POUNDS OF CARBON DIOXIDE. THAT'S ROUGHLY THE EQUIVALENT OF EMISSIONS FROM A 30 MILE DRIVE.
- THE WORLD'S LARGEST TREE IS A GIANT SEQUOIA (SEquoiADENDRON GIGANTEUM) IN CALIFORNIA'S SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK, CALLED GENERAL SHERMAN. THE TREE IS ABOUT 96 METERS TALL AND 11 METRES WIDE AT THE BASE.
- SOFTWOODS MAKE UP ABOUT 80% OF THE WORLD'S TIMBER PRODUCTION.
- THERE ARE AT LEAST **182** TYPES OF TREE AROUND THE WORLD.
- THE HEAVIEST WOOD IN THE WORLD IS AUSTRALIAN BAUHINIA RED.
- WET WOOD CAN CONDUCT ELECTRICITY.
- ALL WOOD IS BIODEGRADABLE.
- TREES GROW FROM THE TOP, NOT THE BOTTOM.
- BETWEEN 1990 AND 2016, THE WORLD LOST 1.3 MILLION SQUARE KILOMETRES OF FOREST, WHICH IS AN AREA LARGER THAN SOUTH AFRICA.
- THE WORLD'S SHORTEST TREE IS THE DWARF WILLOW. THESE TREES GROW TO 1-6 CM TALL.
- WHEN WILLOWS ARE THREATENED BY INSECTS, THEY EMIT A CHEMICAL WARNING TO NEARBY TREES.
- THE WORLD'S OLDEST TREE IS A 5,000 YEAR OLD NORWEGIAN SPRUCE NAMED OLD TIKKO.
- TREES FOUND IN THE CITY LIVE ROUGHLY **13** YEARS LESS THAN THOSE FOUND IN THE COUNTRYSIDE.
- A TREE COULD LIVE TO WELL OVER **1,000** YEARS OLD, AS THEY NEVER DIE OF OLD AGE, ONLY EXTERNAL FORCES, SUCH AS INSECTS OR PEOPLE.
- THE OLDEST DOOR IS OVER 900 YEARS OLD AND IS LOCATED IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY. IT IS MADE FROM ONE OAK TREE.
- COUNTING THE NUMBER OF RINGS ON A TREE STUMP TELLS YOU HOW OLD IT IS, THIS IS KNOWN AS DENDROCHRONOLOGY.
- THERE ARE TWO MAIN TYPES OF WOOD: SOFTWOOD AND HARDWOOD. THIS DESCRIBES THE GENERAL STRUCTURE OF THE TREES, INCLUDING THE LEAVES AND SEEDS, NOT JUST HOW HARD THE WOOD FEELS.
- ON AVERAGE, A MATURE TREE PRODUCES NEARLY 260 POUNDS OF OXYGEN EACH YEAR. THIS PROVIDES ENOUGH OXYGEN FOR TWO PEOPLE.
- FILLING 17 BILLION HECTARES WITH TREES COULD CUT 200 BILLION TONNES OF CARBON FROM THE ATMOSPHERE, THAT'S TWO-THIRDS OF ALL THE EMISSIONS FROM HUMAN ACTIVITIES.



# Toys for Tots 2021 Kick Off Presentation

## Toys for Tots 2021

Loudon Co Sheriffs Office

E TN Children' Hospital –  
Festival of Trees

New Purchased Toys

## Toy Ideas

- ▶ Age Range: 3-10 years old
- ▶ Games & Kits encouraged
  - Jenga, Corn Hole
  - Bird House Kits & Bird Feeder
  - Puzzles
  - Scooters
  - Jewelry and Keep Sake Boxes
  - Trucks, Airplanes, Trains, Cars
- ▶ Mirrors

## Loudon Co Sheriff' Office T4T

- ▶ Requesting approx. 100 toys to be added with gifts acquired from donations.
- ▶ Program changed in 2020 due to loss of storage area and Covid protocols.



## 2020 Toys



## E. TN Children' Hospital Festival of Trees

- ▶ Holds an Auction & Sale of donated materials to raise funds.
- ▶ Provides donated Toys to Children in their care & program.
- ▶ Offers TV Woodworker opportunity to make more than Toys.
- ▶ Need to provide a Sign for Auction / Sale.

## Other Ideas – Festival of Trees

- ▶ Christmas Ornaments
- ▶ Bowls & Vase
- ▶ Cheese Boards and Cutting Boards
- ▶ Serving Trays
- ▶ Boxes
- ▶ Small Benches and Chairs

## Workshop Santas & Toymakers

- ▶ Organize now
- ▶ Start Early to allow a relaxed pace.
- ▶ Delivery Deadline: Nov 10, 2021
- ▶ Developing plan for Presentation of Toys for prior to delivery date.

## New Purchased Toys

- ▶ Donation Boxes
  - Placed in Early October
- ▶ Donated Toys will be distributed to
  - Boys & Girls Club, Monroe Co FD
  - Helping Hands Ministry
  - Samaritans Group

## ***Calling All Workshop Santas!!***

*The Toys for Tots 2021 Program is making & donating Wood Toys and other Wood items for either the Loudon County Sheriff's Office or the E Tennessee Children' Hospital Fantasy of Trees.*

The Toys for Tots Committee first needs to determine the **Who's and What's.**

### ***Who***

WHO is interested in building toys and other wood gifts?

Are you working as a Team or Solo?

Are you willing to be a Team Leader or Member of a Team?

### ***What***

Have you started working on Toys? If so, what are you building?

What do you want to build? Below are few helpful guidelines.

Toys should NOT have Sharp Edges or Points

Toys should NOT have Glass or Mirrors that can be broken

Toys should NOT have small parts that can be separated from the main body and lost or eaten (choking hazard).

### ***Unsure of What to build? We have ideas!***

Bird Houses - built or kits

Bird Feeders - built or kits

Jenga Game & Box, Chinese Checker Board

Puzzles

Rockers & Scooters

Cars, Trucks, Trains, Planes, Helicopters

Pull Toys

Make up Mirrors

Bud Vases

Tree Ornaments

Boxes and Jars

Cutting & Cheese Boards & Serving Trays

Small Benches & Chairs

Small Tables

This years' delivery date is Friday November 12, 2021

**All members participation is welcome**