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Calendar of Events

August 21	Board Meeting	Little Italy	8:15 AM	All members welcome
August 26	Wood Cutting	POA Yard	9:00 AM	Rescheduled from 8/19
September 2	General Meeting	Yacht Club	7:30 PM	
September 15	Club Picnic	Tugaloo Pavilion	4:30 PM	
September 25	Board Meeting	Little Italy	8:15 AM	All members welcome

Board Meeting Highlights

Our last board meeting was on July 24. There were 21 members including the board in attendance. The following items were discussed and, as appropriate, acted upon.

Treasurers' Report (Jack Ernst) The current balance has Club Operations: \$4,860.611, Wood Operations: (\$21.62) with the exception of a receivable from Our Place

Kiln Reserve Fund: \$6,151.41, General Reserve Fund: \$6,259.19, TFT Fund: \$100.00, Misc. Charity Fund: \$709.21 for a total ending balance of \$18,058.81.

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

Secretary's' Report (Nancy Kessler) Acknowledgement is requested from any member who is informed of a

request/inquiry /project from outside the club and agrees to accept the project.

Community Service Projects (Bill Nance)

The following service projects are open: Shadow box for POA, Our Place benches and cabinets, and the TVWC name badge box. The Loudon County Courthouse Time Capsules are expected to be completed in two days. The UMC mini library is completed.

Robbie Pierce is coordinating the wood for the memorial for the teenager. The club will transport about 100 - 200 bf of resident provided lumber to the kiln.

It was confirmed that the building and removal of ramps for the disabled will be performed for club members and residents of Tellico Village only.

Scott Duncan has donated a stand for the club's miter saw, with will make things easier in the ramp builds.

Programs (Ned Miller) The August meeting will feature a presentation by the company Crystallac.

Ned discussed a possible September meeting featuring the Club Tools. Since many tools seem to be underutilized, and with many new members to the club, it was suggested that the September meeting include a presentation of all tools available to the members. After discussion, it was decided to ask every "Tool Keeper" to do a short video of the tool. Dick Hoffmann will compile the videos for a feature presentation at a later date.

A question was raised about the larger tools, which are housed in members' homes, as to who should actually perform the work. For safety sake, it was decided that that was up to the Tool Keeper, and that this should be confirmed at the time of the tool reservation.

Kiln Status (Bruce Barbe) Wood in the kiln is dry and waiting for the next cutting.

Wood Sale (Jim Chapman) The next sale is scheduled for Tuesday, August 3rd. There is approximately 100 bf of white oak, and 350 bf of ash available for sale to club members.

Wood Cutting (Robbie Pierce) The next wood cutting is scheduled for August 19th at 9:00 a.m. A signup sheet will be passed around at the next general meeting. Water and ice will be provided by the club.

Toys for Tots The club purchase order for Casey's wheels for TFT should be addressed at the general meeting. However, it then was also recommended that any member who has surplus wheels and such for TFT projects bring them to the general meeting.

Tellico Life Tom Ringenbach recommended that since the club participates in the Tellico Life web platform that members send out Club emails themselves using the web site. There was discussion about the paid level of participation, and will be investigated further by Jack Ernst. Tom Ringenbach will help Barry Brandt past secretary and Nancy Kessler with the details.

Club Picnic A motion was made and approved providing \$600 for the September club picnic. Later one for \$750 to include door prizes, which was also approved, superseded that motion.

Bob Brown requested that participants in the service builds for Our Place calibrate his/her tape measure at the August general meeting.

Meeting Place Tony Grenis informed the meeting that the Yacht Club has the option to rent out facilities and thus displacing club activities. As a result, the August general meeting has been bumped, and a new location will be announced shortly

General Meeting

The August Tellico Village Woodworkers General Meeting was held in the Community Church Christian Life Center and was well attended. It turned out to be an excellent venue with ample parking, meeting space and audio/visual resources.

Our guest speaker for the August meeting was Kelsey Younge representing the Crystalac Company. Kelsey gave us a history of this small, family owned Tennessee manufacturer of high quality finishes and, with her partner Kenan Hopson, demonstrated some of their product line. Of particular interest to woodworkers are their line of top coats, sanding sealers and wood fillers.

Located in Mountain City, TN, about 2-1/2 hours from Knoxville, CrystaLac manufactures a wide range of high-quality finishing products. CrystaLac waterborne finishing products are a safe alternative that

can be used in place of nitrocellulose lacquer, oil-based polyurethane, or varnishes. CrystaLac finishes are self levelling, offers easy cleanup and is great on most anything that demands a quality protective finish. It is specialized for use on wood, but can be used on metal, laminates, ceramic or other selected surfaces. Their finishing products work well brushed on and are designed to be compatible with traditional as well as HVLP spray systems.

Their products can be purchased directly on-line at "The CrystaLac Store".

<https://Thecrystalacstore.com>

CrystaLac Review Video:

<https://youtu.be/rqe4uKSCbto>

Kelsey Younge and Kenan Hopson from CrystaLac Finishes introduced and demonstrated their products



Show and Tell

Tony Grenis shows his cherry table. The curved legs are made of bent laminated cherry.



Norm Coe shows his Pecan/Walnut Curved box vase he learned to make in the mentoring class led by Don Schmid.



Glenn Nief brought in a project made from Oak, Cherry and Black Walnut scraps



Dick Hoffmann discussed how he built an incredible “snake” stick.



The piece is not as simple as it looks. The snake is made out of a single piece of walnut and is a puzzle where each piece is unique. Dick saw it in a craft shop and decided to try to make it without being able to take the original apart. After four tries, success.

Dick also showed a turned half bowl made from hickory and sits on a stand made of sassafras.



Bill Nance walked the members in attendance through a fascinating project he recently completed - a wooden arched screen door he made for an historic home in Lenoir City. Made out of poplar, it matches the internal arched front door. Screening was installed on the inside face of the door using thin furring strips stapled onto the door surface.



Community Service Projects

Tom Ringenbach and Ned Miller recently built a Little Free Library for the United Methodist Church in Loudon. Also in the photo are Pastor Amy and Suzy and Tom Holcomb.



The Tellico Village Woodworkers and their families will gather at the Tugaloo Pavilion at 4:30 PM on Wednesday September 15, 2021 for their annual picnic.

The club chefs will feature burgers and Johnsonville brats. We look forward to the delicious salads, potatoes, beans, fruit, veggies, and desserts that will be so graciously created by our fine chiefs that bring the dishes to pass.

The club is providing water, soda (diet and regular), and tea. There will be plates, cups, napkins, and plastic utensils. Condiments will also be available.

If you haven't done so already, please, indicate your desire to attend and your number of guests by contacting thom.lewis.8@gmail.com or by phone at 248.762.7053. We will need a head count by September 9th.

If you have any questions, special needs, or any last-minute suggestions, please contact Thom Lewis.

Help Wanted Help Needed

This sign is seen everywhere & Toys for Tots needs **your** help.

This year's Toys for Tots program is donating Wood Toys to Loudon Co Sheriff's Office and Wood Products (Boxes, Vases & Bowls, Cheese Boards & Cutting Boards, Toys, Birdhouses, Stools, Coat Racks, and other items) to the East TN Childrens' Hospital Fantasy of Trees event.

There are over 200 TV Woodworker Members; so if everyone made 2 or 3 items we would have a large donation (many hands concepts).

We will be calling for Toys and Wood Products by November 16, 2021.

Need more information?
Need build ideas?

Email: bolt120tv@gmail.com

Did You Know?

Ancient Egyptians and Ancient Chinese were the first cultures to practice woodworking, developing many of the techniques still in use by modern day woodworkers. Utilizing various types of wood and techniques, ancient people were able to produce wheels, carts, shelters, toys and beautiful carved art!

Woodworking Tip (by Jack Ernst)

“Pin-point” Epoxy application. Occasionally when wood comes out of the kiln and you plane it, there are small bug holes and cracks that need to be filled with epoxy. You may also need to fill small joint gaps. Veterinary hypodermic needles are inexpensive, disposable and work great putting epoxy exactly where its needed. They can be purchased at Tractor Supply or any farm supply retailer.

