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Calendar of Events

March 26	Board Meeting	Little Italy	8:15 AM	All members welcome
April 5	General Meeting	Yacht Club	7:00 PM	Shopping Cart
April 19	Wood Cutting	POA Yard	TBD	
April 23	Board Meeting	Little Italy	8:15 AM	All Members Welcome
May 17	25 th Anniversary Dinner	Yacht Club	5:00 PM	April 25 th registration deadline

Board Meeting Highlights

The board met on February 19th and the following is a summary of the meeting.

Current membership is 220 with 76 not yet renewed.

Jack Ernst will investigate getting a computer for Chris Campbell through the Computer Club. Having Excel will facilitate maintaining an accurate club roster.

Bruce Barbre has volunteered to be our next Vice President. We are still needing a candidate for the Wood Ops position. Modification of the club bylaws will be voted on at the next general meeting.

Carl Hagen is looking to hand over the newsletter to another member; he will present information on the position at the next general meeting.

Tony Grenis and Barry Brandt will represent the club at the next New Villagers meeting.

Motion was approved for \$1000 as an introductory budget amount for the 25th Anniversary Dinner on May 17th.

The Spring Challenge for the June meeting will be lamps and lighting.

General Meeting

Aaron Gallagher, owner of SoKno Woodworking, was the guest speaker this month. SoKno is the manufacturer and seller of exotic wood jewelry and other wood items.

Aaron discussed his background, business, shop set up, manufacturing process and safety along with his fondness of cutting his own lumber. He laser cuts his designs which greatly speeds the process along.

Aaron presented information on exotic woods that can be found in the Did You Know section of this newsletter. He also challenged club members to identify 8 different exotic wood samples which are also found there.

He brought along samples of this earrings that were on sale for \$10. Some of these can be seen below.



Dues need to be paid by April. Those not renewing their membership will be stricken for the roles

Show and Tell



*Segmented Bowl – Dennis Smith
Oak, maple, cherry, walnut
3D feature*



Beads of Courage – Howard Hickman



*Intarsia Barn – James Michael Smith
Various woods*

Did You Know?

Exotic woods come from a different region of the world. Much like beauty is in the eye of the beholder, one person's exotic wood can be another's construction material.

During the general meeting, Aaron Gallager presented the following facts:

- There are 73,300 different species of trees in the world. Approximate distribution is
 - South America – 29000
 - Europe – 15000
 - Africa – 11000
 - N/C America – 10000
 - Australia/Oceania - 8000
- Estimated that there are 3 trillion trees in the world (3,000,000,000,000)
- With a world population close to 8 billion, there are 380 trees per person

Aaron brought in some samples of exotics he uses in his business. How many can you guess?



Other News



Our Place recognition dinner was held on March 5. Bob Brown, Dick Hoffmann, Bob Brown, Lloyd Donnelly and Barry Brandt and their spouses represented the club.



- (1) Purpleheart – Central/South America
- (2) Bocote – Central/South America
- (3) Padauk – Africa
- (4) Zebrawood – Africa
- (5) Yellowheart – South America
- (6) Leopardwood – Central/South America
- (7) Marblewood – Central/South America
- (8) Spalted Tamarind - Africa

HELP WANTED

In my fifth year as editor of the newsletter, its time for me to hand over the reins for documenting club news and activities to another member.

It does require some commitment but is greatly appreciated by the members. A basic knowledge of Microsoft Word is the only technical requirement.

If you have an interest in taking over the newsletter, please email me at [cehagen52 @ gmail.com](mailto:cehagen52@gmail.com).

Carl Hagen

Log Acquisition

A Tellico Village resident who is the brother of a club member donated a large walnut tree and a couple large hackberry logs to the club for cutting, drying and sale. The trees were cut into 8'+ logs, but needed to be moved from his garden to a more accessible location for later retrieval to the wood cutting area at the POA yard.

Club members showed up on March 11th to move the logs. Pictures of the event are below.



2022 SPRING CHALLENGE

This year our challenge is to make something that will challenge us in a unique way. The challenge is to create a lamp (an oldie but a goodie) of your own design. You must create a lamp project of some sort which is wood based. We are challenging you to be creative, original, distinctive, decorative and useful all at the same time.

They can be floor lamps, table lights, and even hanging lights but you must show them being hung in a hanging position. They also must be able to light up when necessary.

Our Judging Categories:

- # Best Craftsmanship
- # Best Original Design (Creative, Imaginative)
- # Distinctive (Eye Catching, Appealing)
- # Humorous
- # Best of Show

The Challenge will commence immediately with final exhibition taking place at the June 7th General Meeting at the Yacht Club.

Projects must be present to consideration of awards.

Photographs of projects not present may be shown but are not eligible for awards.