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## **Calendar of Events**

May 28	Board Meeting	Little Italy	8:15 AM	All Members Welcome
June 7	General Meeting	Yacht Club	7:00 PM	Spring Challenge
June 25	Board Meeting	Little Italy	8:15 AM	All Members Welcome
July 2	General Meeting	Yacht Club	7:00 PM	TBD

## **Board Meeting Highlights**

The TVWC board met on April 23 at Little Italy with 22 members present. The following is a summary of meeting discussion and actions.

Chris Campbell reported there are currently 206 paid members in the club.

Service Projects: Vince Evans reported that a wheel chair ramp build is in progress for next Saturday. Ned Miller helped with kitchen cabinets for a resident.

Jack Ernst reported that \$305 was earned as a result of the kiln cleanout sale. Total club has current funds of \$22,026. This includes

club operations of \$4485, kiln reserve of \$9361 and general reserve of \$7997.

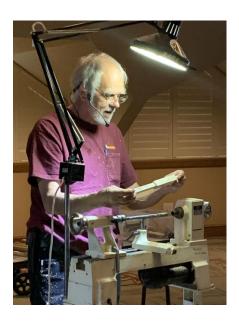
With the kiln having been moved to its new location, the decision was approved to build a 18x24 with a 12-foot half wall enclosed structure for storage. Wilburn Lumber offered a competitive cost of \$6000 and was selected as the material vendor.

Current reservations for the Anniversary Dinner sit at 75. The motion to have CrystaLac owners as the club's guests at the dinner was approved.

It was discussed that if committee heads can't attend the board meeting that a report on current status be submitted for review.

## **General Meeting**

For the meeting program, John Jordan demonstrated how he turns thin spindles to make magic wands. Most impressive was his ability to reduce the tip size to 1/8 inch without wobble or breaking it. He supported the piece with his left hand while using the tool with his left.





Examples of Magic Wands

John provided blanks to interested members to try his techniques out at home.



Wood Turnings



Tops

To learn more details about his techniques, click on the link below to open a document he provided:

Turning Long Thin Spindles - John Jordan

## **Show and Tell**



Walnut Cribbage Board by David Brunson using CNC Router



Zigzag Box by Don Larkins Walnut, Cherry, Tiger Maple



Cherry Jewelry Box by Ed McMahon Mentoring Project with Dick Hoffman



Cherry Bud Vase by Ron Comtois Multiaxis Turning



Walnut Bowl by Ron Comtois Two Piece Hollow Form Turning Done at Arrowmont

## The Winch Worked! (by Jack Ernst)

A few months back, the Club had an opportunity to acquire some nice logs, including Walnut. One problem. We had no way to transport the logs from the lot to the POA Yard for cutting. Bill Nance noted that over the years, we have been challenged to figure out a way to haul donated logs out of people's yards when we didn't work it out with the tree cutters on the front end. This has led us to miss out on some good log opportunities.

Bob Brown and Bill Nance suggested that a heavy-duty winch, mounted on Bill's trailer might be a way to pull logs onto the trailer. Bill found that a quality, suitable winch -- 9,500 lb. capacity or more, electric, waterproof, etc., -- could be purchased for a reasonable cost. Connected to a heavy-duty battery the theory was that it would enable the Club to transport logs to the POA yard where POA workers could off load them. On May 14, 2022, the theory was tested by Bill and a group of Woodworkers at a donor's yard in Toqua.









With some ingenuity, muscle power and a powerful winch the trailer was loaded with logs to be cut.

## **Update on the Kiln**

The kiln has been shifted to its final resting place on the pad. The kiln was leveled by Ron Cirincione, Larry Gardner and Bob Brown but may require further adjustments over time as the pad settles. The power pole has been installed and connection to power is in progress and the kiln should be functional by next week. The sawyer is being contacted to schedule our next cutting as soon as possible.



The Kiln in its new location

A meeting for the storage building is scheduled for the last week in May and a timeline for construction should be established at that time.

#### **Did You Know**

The demand for white oak staves for use in bourbon barrels has been steadily increasing since 2012. White oak imparts a particular flavor to bourbon due to the complex sugars that leach into the whiskey as it ages. Unlike other hardwoods, white oak has a tylosis membrane structure that prevents it from leaking when used in barrels. For those reasons, white oak is the preferred wood for cooperage.

The production of bourbon barrels consumes over 10% of the white oak annually harvested in the United States. Due to this need, the industry is taking a leading role in assuring a sustainable future for white oak forests in the country.



Aging barrels with the good stuff

## **Club Hats**

A reminder to the members that new club hats are available for purchase at \$12.50. If interested, contact Barry Brandt at <a href="mailto:barrybrandt3@hotmail.com">barrybrandt3@hotmail.com</a> or 865-657-3128



# **Celebrating 25 Years of Woodworking Together**

On May 17<sup>th</sup>, about ninety woodworkers and their spouses met at the Yacht Club to celebrate 25 years of the Tellico Village Woodworkers Club.







Past Presidents in Attendance (I to r): Jeff Jefferies, Stu McFaden, Larry Bollinger, Jim Mattavi, Bill McKeel, Tom Borloglou, Lloyd Donnelly, Bob Brown, Tony Grenis





Wes McNeal reminiscing about how he was drafted as club VP



Bob Ware and the Toys for Tots Program



Glenn Nief - Charter Club Member remembering the club's origins



Dave Breen and building the kiln in 2011



Bob Brown talking about club service projects



Ned Miller and meeting programs



David Shepherd, Owner of CrystaLac, speaking to the dinner guests

The Club is grateful to Diane Cox for her efforts to make the evening a success and for the generosity of the many companies and organizations that provided numerous door prizes for the evening:

CrystaLac Sloans Home Depot **AWE Burgers Restaurant** Joe's Italian Restaurant Premier Residences Dining True Value 35 Degrees North Chick-fil-A Elders Ace Hardware Tellico Village Golf American Male Hairstyling Meadowview Nursery Lakeside Tavern **Broadway Lower Shop** Tellico Village Wellness Center Woodcraft Pope's Plant Farm Ingles