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December 6 General Meeting Community Church 7:00 PM Toy for Tots

There will be no board meeting in December

January 3 General Meeting Yacht Club 7:00 PM Bend Wood Lamination
Lloyd Donnelly & Aaron Cox

January 28 Board Meeting Little Italy 8:15 AM All members welcome

Board Meeting Highlights

16 attended November 26th Board meeting - Everyone is welcome to attend

Kiln status: Larry Gardner reported on the kiln status and wood cutting. Discussion of donor/special cuts/club allocation resolved any ambiguity for the next sale. Kiln stock will be marked into four relatively equal allocations.

Women Mentoring Program. The success of the six female members of the “Jingle Belles” group for the Fantasy of Trees has introduced a request for a women’s woodworking mentoring session. The need for a unisex Woodworking 101 program for all new members was also discussed. These programs will be introduced to our 2023 mentoring program.

Mary Hoffmann is the contact for the women’s group.

Resource Book update: Tony Grenis is working on this, and welcomes assistance.

EPOXY FOR ACCENTS - Tony Grenis

Below are some highlights from his Excellent presentation.

EPOXY RESINS

Cure when the hardener is mixed with the resin.

TYPES OF EPOXY RESIN

Table Top resin for depths of ¼" or less.

Deep pour for depths ¼" to 4"

Quick set resin can cure in 15 minutes or so.

TABLE TOP EPOXY RESINS

Generally mixed 50:50 (resin to hardener), cure in about 24 hours but will continue to harden for up to 30 days.

Generally self leveling and produce a glossy surface. Harder than the deep pour or casting resins.

Can be colored with pigments or dyes. Generally safe for food contact surfaces (but check)



PREPPING THE WOOD

Remove bark or soft punky wood, leaving only firm solid wood.

FORMS

Buy premade silicon forms or cheaper to make your own.

EPOXY FOR ACCENTS - Tony Grenis

POURING EPOXY

Eliminate voids dust and dirt, secure/fasten wood to not float, be prepared to deal with leaks and allow time to harden before removing from form.

BUBBLES

Try to prevent bubbles and if needed pop them with a flame or hot air.

FLOOD COATS

Table top epoxy produces a perfectly level and shiny surface, 3 fl oz per square foot.

Pour in the center and trowel to edges and cover the sides.

Remove Drips on bottom edge

Pop bubbles on top, but don't use the torch or heat gun on the sides.

FLOOD COATS

Cured epoxy can be worked with sharp woodworking tools slow and shallow.

Tony sands the wood and epoxy up to 400 grit and finishes with Osmo or Oddies hard wax/oil finish.

Or you can continue with wet sanding up to 5000 or 10,000 followed by a polishing compound.



2022 Toys for Tots Program

December 6th meeting will be at the Community Church.
William Gulasey 501-517-9273 wgulasey@gmail.com

Fantasy of Trees

Pictures of items donated and delivered the End of November.



Member participation requests

Historic TVWC documents/items volunteer request

The club is revising the role and activities of the club historian, and is looking for volunteers to assist in converting archived print materials to digital media. If you have access to a scanner and are available to help us digitize our historical records, please contact the project lead, Ben La Pointe, benclapointe@gmail.com. Thank you.

Areas Requiring Additional Help or Backup:

Labor for Community Service Project: church play station,
Updating the Resource Book with the past president
Representatives for the New Villagers table and the Welcome Committee gathering,
2023 Picnic coordinator.

Please contact: Bill Nance williamnance77@gmail.com

Meeting Programs:

Requests for future program ideas - *Neal Wilson*

At every meeting we try and have a guest speaker, or member participation event. If anyone has a program idea, or wants to provide a certain woodworking experience you have,

Contact Neal Wilson 765-714-0020 crawil@charter.net

2023 Spring Challenge - *Dennis Smith*

Requests for spring challenge ideas -

We had a great turn out for the 2022 Spring Challenge. The diversity of materials and designs was impressive. This challenge had more entries than in years past. I hope this trend continues for next year's Spring Challenge. If anyone has an idea for the next challenge please let me know. Any ideas would be appreciated.

Contact Dennis Smith 865-803-9235 carvinwood@gmail.com

Show and Tell

Jingle Belles

(3 members not shown)

Cutting Boards
made from
various scraps

First Project of
team of
inexperienced
Women
Woodworkers



Show and Tell

Wes McNeal

Oak Keepsake Chest
Replica of a
Colonial American Keeping
Chests



Nancy Kessler

Two artistic cell phone or key fob
shelves for Fantasy of Trees.
Each self also includes two
keychains: one Gucci-inspired
and one embroidered with
I love ETCH
(East TN Children's Hospital.)



Dennis Smith

Maple and red epoxy
resin for the inlaid ring



Show and Tell

Stu McFadden

Night Stand made in Maple and Walnut with Live edge top



Bill Buelow

Plant Stand
Mortise and Tenon
construction



Show and Tell

Randy Brabant

Great Blue Heron Intarsia



Ron Comtois

Holly Bowl woodturning
with Wax finish



Show and Tell

Scott Duncan

Cherry Bowl "Strike 2"
woodturning with Epoxy River



Scott Duncan

Apple Bowls made from the wood of
Nancy Kessler's tree and given to
Nancy



Miracle Lake - *Bill Buelow*



Bill provided an update on a project that TVWC worked several years ago, to repair and rebuild Woodworking machines. www.miraclelake.org

Miracle Lake expanded their woodworking with several large industrial machines and today they are making High Quality Furniture.



From Brochure:

“Miracle Lake is a residential Christian Training Center for men struggling with life controlling issues. In addition to intense Bible classes and counseling, we have a work program for the men to help them re-establish their work ethics. The wood shop has given the men meaningful work they can feel proud of and teaches them the trade of furniture making.”

“Miracle Lake uses all proceeds and donations to help reduce the costs of student tuitions, even allowing for some scholarships to help students who are unable to cover their portion of tuition. Your purchase of these products is a direct help to these precious souls looking to God for a lifestyle change!”

*Miracle Lake
Hand-Crafted Furniture*



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Christian Training Center

Be a part of what The Lord is doing!!

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TVWC Woodcutting and Sales

Sale 11/16/22

White oak sold 774 BF

