

WOOD CHIPS



Northwest Indiana Woodworkers Association

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President's Corner

Greetings Woodworkers, I have to tell you. I ran into someone who saw our Christmas tree at the Welcome Center (US94, Kennedy Ave Exit). He couldn't stop talking about all the talent gathered on the Christmas tree. I invited him to the meeting so he can meet all of you in person. Perhaps some meeting he will stop in. So nice, here it is June and someone is still talking about the Christmas tree. As you know Nancy & Merle are collecting ornaments for this year's Christmas tree display. The 'theme' is your favorite Christmas ornament. So when it's too wet to cut the grass, make some ornaments!

Our Vice President Dick Sader will be officiating the June Membership meeting. I will be in the Great North Woods fishing and enjoying a family reunion. I will miss all of you. You are lucky if you are able to attend this meeting. The presentation will be by Kreg.

There will be forms available at the June meeting for anyone interested in displaying their woodworking for Judging at the Lake County Fair. There is a fee for this and an opportunity for awards. This differs from the display case our club sets up across from the booth.

See you in July,
Marcia Lichnerowicz

NEEDED, CLUB PHOTOGRAPHER

Our club photographer Fred Baginski is changing jobs and will not be able to continue to take pictures at our Show and Tell's for the club newsletter. First I want to thank Fred for years of doing a great job for the club. We need a volunteer to take Fred's place. What is involved is having a digital camera and taking pictures of the items in the monthly Show and Tell, then emailing them to our newsletter committee. If you have a camera and make most of the meetings please consider helping out.

PORTAGE LIBRARY DISPLAY

The Portage Library contacted the club and their displayer for July backed out. They ask if we could leave our display there for another month. We will be doing that but if any member that has an item in the display needs their item at the end of June please contact John Hunter and he will get the item for you.

SHOW AND TELL



Chris Retson



Mick King



Bob Rinearson



Frank Schmidt



Bob Miller



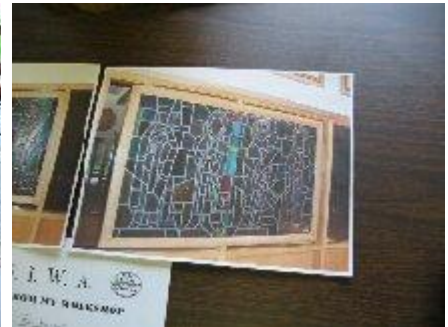
Lalo Gonzalez



John Hunter



Ron Benson



Ron Benson



Jesse Day



Denny McCool



Dick Sader

CLUB DISPLAY AT PORTAGE LIBRARY



Thanks to members Claudia and Skip Brazil, Joe McDaniels, Dick Sader, Don Boswell, Max Hernick, Marcie Lichnerowicz, Charlie Morris, Ron Benson, Denny McCoole and John Hunter for placing items in our display.

ST. JUDE FUNDRAISER

Received this from Ed Ladendorf;

I just wanted to let you and the membership know how we did in our fundraiser. We had a grand total of \$4114.51 collected for the kids. Since it takes 1.6 million dollars per day to keep the hospital in operation, that is only a drop in the bucket. But because there are people all over the U. S. who care like your members, they are able to keep the doors open. Please extend my thanks to everyone for helping make the effort a success.

CLUB LIBRARY

A collection of 220 books on CD's has been added to the club library. The following is a list of the additions. Each CD contains multiple books. You can see the full Library listing of videos and books on CD's on our website at: <http://niwoodworkers.org/WoodClbVideoList.pdf>

We also have a great collection of actual books which can be viewed at <http://www.niwoodworkers.org/WoodClbBookList.pdf>

- CD 1.17 **Router – A collection of 5 books**
 - Router Joinery Workshop
 - Router Magic
 - Router Table Secrets from Woodsmith
 - Router Workshop
 - Woodworking With The Router
- CD 2.3 **Turning – A collection of 4 books**
 - Complete Illustrated Guide To Turning
 - Fun At The Lathe
 - The Art Of Segmented Wood Turning
 - The Lathe Book
- CD 4.8 **Scroll Saw – A collection of 47 books and plans**
 - 128 Compound Scroll Saw Patterns
 - 347 Woodworking Patterns
 - 400 Full Sized Mini Clock Patterns
 - Animal Portraits In Wood.
 - Artistic Wildlife Projects for the Scroll Saw
 - Big Book Of Scroll Saw Woodworking
 - Birds of North America Patterns
 - Box-Making Projects For The Scroll Saw
 - Classic Fretwork Scroll Saw Patterns
 - Collapsible Basket Patterns
 - Creating Wooden Boxes on the Scroll Saw
 - Decorative Ornamental Scroll Saw Patterns
 - Folk Toys - Patterns and Projects For Scroll Saw
 - Great American Scroll Saw Patterns Vol 1

Great American Scroll Saw Patterns Vol 2
 Great American Scroll Saw Patterns Vol 3
 Holiday Ornaments for the Scroll Saw
 Holiday Scroll Saw Music Box Patterns
 Inspirational Scroll Saw Projects
 Making Wooden Baskets On Scroll Saw
 Marine Life Patterns For The Scroll Saw
 Nature Stencil Designs
 North American Wildlife Patterns
 Ornamental Scroll Saw Projects
 Scroll Saw by Land, Sea and Air
 Scroll Saw Country Patterns
 Scroll Saw For The First Time
 Scroll Saw Fretwork Patterns
 Scroll Saw Holiday Patterns
 Scroll Saw Mosaics
 Scroll Saw Pattern Book
 Scroll Saw Patterns - Marine Life
 Scroll Saw Patterns for Toy Dinosaurs
 Scroll Saw Pictures
 Scroll Saw Shelf Patterns
 Scroll Saw Toys And Vehicles
 Seashore and Nautical Patterns for the Scroll Saw
 Southwest Scroll Saw Patterns
 The Big Book Of Scroll Saw Woodworking
 The Pattern Companion
 Toy Dragons Knights and Fair Maidens
 Victorian Scrollsaw Music Boxes
 Wildlife Collector Plates For The Scroll Saw
 Wildlife Portraits In Wood (Scroll Saw)
 Wooden Bowls From The Scroll Saw
 World Wildlife Patterns for the Scroll Saw
 Zodiac Puzzles for Scroll Saw Woodworking

CD 11.11 **Cabinets – A collection of 8 books**

Build Your Own Kitchen Cabinets
 Building Cabinet Doors & Drawers
 Cabinets And Countertops
 Rodale's Illustrated Cabinetmaking
 Step-by-Step Cabinets & Shelves (new edition)
 The Impractical Cabinetmaker - James Krenov
 Shelves, Closets & Cabinets
 Woodsmith - Bookcases, Shelves & Cabinets

CD 12.5 **Tools – A collection of 10 books**

Build Your Own CNC Machine
 How To Make WoodWork Tools
 How To Master The Radial Saw!
 Making & Mastering Wood Planes
 Mastering Hand Tool Techniques
 Saws & Sawing
 The Bandsaw Book

- The Handplane Book
- The Table Saw Book
- Woodworker's Hand Tools
- CD 12.6 **Shop – A collection of 8 books**
 - America's Best-Ever Woodworking Projects And Shop Tips 2006
 - Building Woodshop Workstations
 - Popular Woodworking - 50 Shop-Made Jigs & Fixtures
 - The New Yankee Workshop
 - The Seven Essentials Of Woodworking
 - The Workbench Book
 - Woodsmith - The Home Workshop
 - Workshop Idea Book
- CD 12.7 **Storage – A collection of 5 books**
 - Complete Home Storage
 - Home Storage Projects
 - Home Storage Solutions 2009
 - The Complete Guide To Wood Storage Projects
 - Woodshop Storage Solutions
- CD 12.8 **Joints– A collection of 6 books**
 - Collins - Good Wood Joints
 - Good Wood Joints - The Complete Guide to every kind of woodworking joint
 - Joining Wood
 - Rob Cosman Hand Cut Dovetails
 - Router Joinery Workshop
 - The Joint Book
- CD 13.5 **Carving – A collection of 9 Books**
 - 1001 Designs For Whittling And Woodcarvings
 - Carving Facial Expressions
 - Carving Netsuke
 - Celtic Woodcraft
 - Chip Carving
 - Essential Woodcarving Techniques
 - Fundamentals of Figure Carving
 - Gunstock Carving
 - Woodcarving - Tools, Materials & Equipment Vol 1
 - Woodcarving - Tools, Materials & Equipment Vol 2
- CD 14.12 **Small Projects – A collection of 6 books**
 - Basic Box Making
 - Bird Houses 2 - Painted Wood
 - Building Birdhouses
 - Building Small Projects
 - How to Make Your Own Picture Frames
 - The Art Of Making Elegant Wood Boxes
- CD 14.13 **Guitars – A collection of 5 books.**
 - A Guitar Maker's Manual
 - Guitars Design, Production And Repair
 - Make Your Own Electric Guitar & Bass
 - Making Master Guitars
 - The Art Of Guitar Making
- CD 14.14 **Projects – A collection of 5 books**

- I Can Do That! Woodworking Projects
- INCRA Projects & Techniques
- Plywood Planbook
- Pocket Hole Drilling Jig - Project Book
- CD 14.15 **Boats – A collection of 3 books**
 - Building Strip-Planked Boats
 - How to Build a Wooden Boat
 - Ultrasimple Boat Building
- CD 14.16 **Toys – A collection of 4 books**
 - Folk Toys - Patterns and Projects For Scroll Saw
 - Making Heirloom Toys
 - More Of Blizzard's Wooden Toys
 - Scroll Saw Toys And Vehicles
- CD 15.4 **Furniture – A collection of 22 books**
 - 2x4 Furniture
 - American Style - Shaker, Mission & Country Projects
 - An Encyclopedia Of Tables
 - Build Your Own Home Office Furniture
 - Design & Build Your Ideal Entertainment Center
 - Easy-to-make Furniture
 - Easy-to-make Tables & Chairs
 - Furniture For The 21st Century
 - Furniture Making Projects For The Wood Craftsman
 - Furniture Projects - Practical Designs For Modern Living
 - Greene & Greene - Design Elements For The Workshop
 - Make Your Own Furniture
 - Making Chairs & Tables Vol 2
 - Making Modern Danish Furniture
 - Making Rustic Twig Furniture
 - Modern Furniture
 - Outdoor Furniture
 - Pine Furniture Projects For The Home
 - Tables And Chairs
 - The New Best Of Fine Woodworking - Designing Furniture
 - The Technique Of Furniture Making
 - Working Drawings of Colonial Furniture
- CD 15.5 **Bookcases & Shelves - A collection of 5 books**
 - Bookcases - Outstanding Projects From America's Best Craftmen
 - Bookcases & Shelves
 - Custom Woodworking - Bookcases, Shelves & Cabinets
 - Shelves, Closets & Cabinets
 - Woodsmith - Bookcases, Shelves & Cabinets
- CD 16.6 **Finishing – A collection of 8 books**
 - French Polishing
 - Hand-Applied Finishes
 - Industrial Wood Coatings
 - Spray Finishing and other Techniques
 - Spray Finishing Made Simple (with video)
 - Taunton's Complete Illustrated Guide To Finishing
 - Understanding Wood Finishing - How To Select And Apply The Right Finish

- Water Based Finishes
- CD 17.5 **Intarsia – A collection of 5 books**
 Artistic Intarsia Projects
 Basic Intarsia
 Fun n Easy Intarsia Projects
 Intarsia
 Small Intarsia - Woodworking Projects You Can Make
- CD 17.6 **Marquetry, Veneer, & Laminating – A collection of 4 books**
 Fine WoodWorking On Marquetry And Veneer
 Laminated Designs In Wood
 Marquetry - How To Make Pictures And Patterns In Wood Veneers
 The Marquetry Course
- CD 20.9 **Odds & Ends – A collection of 6 books**
 Chainsaw Lumbermaking
 Coopers And Coopering (Barrel Making)
 The Art Of Making Primitive Bows And Arrows
 The Woodwright's Guide Working Wood With Wedge & Edge.
 Wooden Sundials
 World Woods in Colour
- CD 20.22 **Carpentry – A collection of 10 books**
 Carpenters And Builder's - Math Plans & Specifications (7th Edition)
 Carpentry And Joinery 1 (3rd Edition - 2001)
 Carpentry And Joinery 2 (3rd Edition - 2005)
 Carpentry And Joinery 3 (2nd Edition - 2007)
 Carpentry For Boys
 The Carpenter's Companion
 The Complete Guide To Home Carpentry
 The Woodworker's Handbook
 The Woodworker's Manual
 Woodworking - The Complete Step-by-Step Guide To Skills, Techniques, 40+ Projects
- CD 20.23. **Building – A collection of 8 Books**
 Basic Stairbuilding
 Bungalow Style - Creating Classic Interiors In Your Arts And Crafts Home
 Canadian Log Building
 Canadian Wood-Frame House Construction
 Design of Wood Structures
 Kitchens, Design - Remodel - Rebuild
 Roof Construction And Loft Conversion
 The Complete Custom Closet
- CD 20.24 **Google SketchUp - A collection of 2 books**
 Google SketchUp And SketchUp Pro 7 Bible
 Google SketchUp O'Reilly - The Missing Manual (May 2009)
- CD 25.1 **The Art of Woodworking: A collection of 25 books covering most aspects of woodworking.**
 The Art of Woodworking - Advanced Routing
 The Art of Woodworking - Building Chairs
 The Art of Woodworking - Cabinet making
 The Art of Woodworking - Cabinets And Bookcases

The Art of Woodworking - Classic American Furniture
The Art of Woodworking - Encyclopedia Of Wood
The Art of Woodworking - Finish Carpentry
The Art of Woodworking - Hand Tools
The Art of Woodworking - Handbook Of Joinery
The Art of Woodworking - Home Workshop
The Art of Woodworking - Kitchen Cabinets
The Art of Woodworking - Master Woodworker
The Art of Woodworking - Outdoor Furniture
The Art of Woodworking - Portable Power Tools
The Art of Woodworking - Restoring Antiques
The Art of Woodworking - Routing And Shaping
The Art of Woodworking - Shaker Furniture
The Art of Woodworking - Sharpening And Tool Care
The Art of Woodworking - Shop-Made Jigs And Fixtures
The Art of Woodworking - Tables And Desks
The Art of Woodworking - Wood Carving
The Art of Woodworking - Wood Finishing
The Art of Woodworking - Wood Turning
The Art of Woodworking - Wooden Toys and Crafts
The Art of Woodworking - Woodworking Machines

ITEMS FOR SALE

If you have any wood working related items that you wish to sell through the newsletter please contact Lalo Gonzalez LaLogon@sbcglobal.net or John Hunter john.b.hunter@frontier.com Include a description and the price you are selling them for, also how you may be contacted.

NEW SHOP IN THE AREA

Member Art Willing reported at the last club meeting that there is a new shop in the Valpo area and he recommends them. They are, ShopWorkx. Tool Repair & Parts, Repetive Parts Repair. 1052 Marsh Street, Ste D, Valparaiso, IN 46385 dbb@shopworkx.com shopworkx.com Phone # 219-299-2055

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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June 23rd Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake Kreg Jigs Presentation
July 1st Take Down Display at Portage Library
July 11th Executive Board Meeting at Portage Library 7 PM
July 19th Committees Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM
July 28th Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM
August 5th – 8th Lake County Fair Club Booth
August 16th Committees Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM
August 25th Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM
August 28th Picnic at Hidden Lake 12 Noon
September 14th (Wednesday) Committees Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM
September 22nd Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM
October 3rd Executive Board Meeting at Portage Library 7 PM
October 18th Committees Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM

October 27th Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM Finishing Lou Takacs
November 15th Committees Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM
November 17th Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM Toy Program
December 20th Committees Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 PM
December 22nd Membership Meeting at Hidden Lake 7:00 Christmas Party, Installation and Awards

Bob Flexner's Finishing Tips

<http://www.thefinishingstore.com/>

TIP: Gel Stain on Pine

Pine is the most notorious wood for blotching. Special products are sold for reducing blotching on pine, but they are only modestly effective—even when used properly.

By far, the most effective method of eliminating blotching when staining pine is to use a gel stain. This is a thickened stain, which colors effectively but doesn't penetrate well so it doesn't highlight the uneven density in the wood.

Apply a gel stain the same as you apply liquid stains. Wipe or brush on a wet coat and wipe off the excess before the stain dries. Some gel stains dry fairly rapidly, so you may need to work fast or get a second person to help on large surfaces. It's faster to wipe stains than to brush them.

Working with Backerboard



For most tile installations, you'll want to use 1/4"-thick backerboard (Hardibacker). This fiber-cement sheet material is denser, cuts cleaner, and lays flatter than cementboard.

One thing to be aware of is that you don't want to use standard tools to machine backerboard, as it dulls blades incredibly fast. For a few dollars, you can pick up all the tools you'll need at your local hardware store.

To make a long, straight cut, the main tool that's required is a scoring blade. This is a hooked utility knife blade that fits in a fixed-blade utility knife. It's less likely to snap or dull than a standard blade. Use it to score the cutline, and then snap the backerboard as shown at left.

For smaller notches, a carbide-grit hacksaw blade comes in handy (I use a Stanley 15-410). Pliers and a file also help with this task (*Figs. 1-3*). And for mounting backerboard, special backerboard screws are available that countersink flush with the surface.



For a small notch, score both lines. Cut one line with a carbide-grit hacksaw blade.



Pliers provide leverage as you snap the waste piece free to form the notch.



A rasp makes quick work of smoothing the broken edge of the backerboard.

Happy home improvement,

Wyatt Myers
Online Editor, *Workbench*

HUMOR

A friend who builds high-end furniture for a living told me this weekend that it's entirely possible to make a small fortune in woodworking.

The trick is to start with a large fortune.