

WOOD CHIPS



Northwest Indiana Woodworkers Association

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President's Ramblings

Greetings Fellow Woodworkers, May is here and almost over. It is time to start planning for the summer events. Program for May is Jon Robbins preparing and attaching patterns to work pieces for scroll sawing. In July Jeff is planning the 4 Corner's. If you have a special skill and would like to demonstrate it, this would be a great opportunity. May meeting is Dues Dead line. See Ron Benson at the meeting.

April's meeting program featured Rockler's Dove Tail Jig, presented by Bob Meyer from Rockler in Schaumburg, Illinois. What a fantastic demonstration! Bob's presentation was very well organized and easy to follow. He showed the ease and simplicity of his jig and how important setup of the routers are. It is nice to have dedicated routers for the job. Big thank you to Bob Meyer, from Rockler in Schaumburg, Illinois. You know Bob drove 70 plus miles each way to put on his demonstration. If you want to contact or have additional questions for Bob you can email him at store10@rockler.com. THANK YOU Bob!

Lake County Fair is 3 months away! Setup is August 4th at 9 PM and the Booth opens at 10 AM to 10 PM from August 5th through the 8th and take down will be at 9 PM on the 8th. Start thinking of what you want to display. Everyone is welcome to come and spend some time at the booth. Make sure you sign in at these events so you get the credit towards the Achievement Awards. Sign-up sheets will be available.

The 32nd Annual Southlake Farm & Tractor Show is July 7-10. Do we want to set up a booth to display our skills and sell educational tickets?

Ron Benson will be at the 1st Annual Car Show at Nativity or Our Savior Parish on June 25th from 8am to 3pm, rain date is 26th from 1pm to 7pm. Ron will be selling our educational raffle tickets. See Ron for more information. Thank you Ron for all your help.

August 27th is the Annual Picnic at Hidden Lake Park starting at noon.

We need your help! The library cabinet is in dire need of help! I have found a volunteer to do the repairs but we need some help with Totes or Boxes to store the books and videos in until repairs are made.

Enjoy this weather and don't let your tools rust!

You're President,

Kevin Sturgeon

From The Treasurer

Fellow woodworkers; If you have not paid your \$25.00 dues you can do so at the May meeting. Your dues keep our club solvent, like paying rent for our meeting place and liability insurance, picnic and Christmas party, ETC. Also the clubs educational raffle helps pay for the items needed for our toy program, gift cards for our programs. SO, please take some raffle tickets to sell or buy. There are some great prizes going to the winners. See Ron or Norm for tickets.

SHOW AND TELL



Jon Robbins



John Hunter



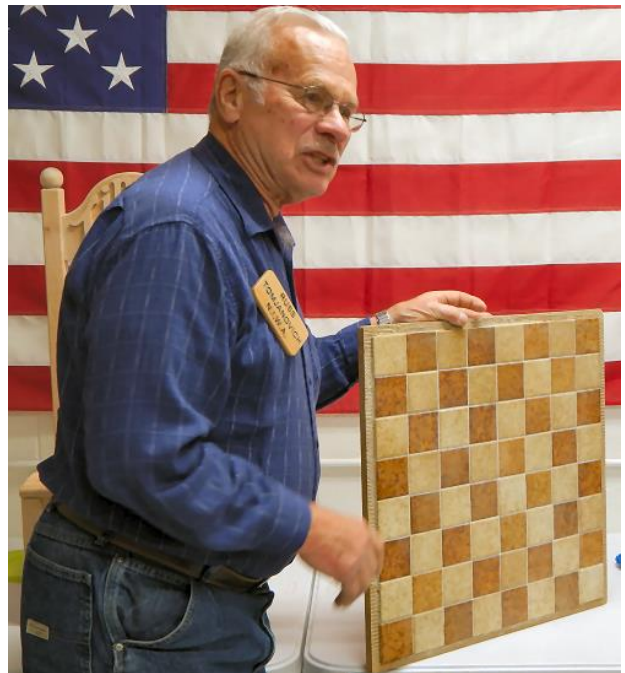
Norm Johnson



Jeff Snellgrove



Kevin Sturgeon



Russ Tomjanovich



Steve Bennett



Lucky Lamb



Phil Malavolta



Duane Bomba



Mike Clark

2 X 4 CHALLENGE



Ken Garbe



Bill Schoech



John Hunter



Fred Bogwill



Norm Johnson



Jeff Snellgrove



Kevin Sturgeon



Bill Schoech

ITEMS FOR SALE

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

If you are looking for a tool that another member would like to sell you can place a wanted ad in the newsletter, just contact John Hunter at john.b.hunter@frontier.com

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2016

- May 26th Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM
Jon Robbins on attaching patterns to scroll saw projects.
- June 21st Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM
- June 23rd Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM
Chris O'connor from Freud on Freud products.
- July 11th Executive Board Meeting 7 PM at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage
- July 19th Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM
- July 28th Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM
- August 4th Set Up Club Booth at Lake County Fair 9 PM
- August 5th – 8th Club Booth at Lake County Fair 10 AM – 10 PM
- August 16th Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM
- August 25th Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM
- August 27th Club Picnic at Post 260, 5675 Mulberry St. Portage IN 46368 12 Noon
- September 20th Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM
- September 22nd Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM
PM Program Favorite/Least Favorite tools
- October 3rd Executive Board Meeting at 7 PM at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage
- October 18th Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM
- October 27th Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM
- November 15th Committees Meeting at 7:00 PM
- November 17th Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM
PM Toy Program
- December 13th Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM
- December 15th Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 6:00 PM
PM Christmas Party, Installation and Awards

Bob Flexner's Finishing Tips

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

Teak Oil

Don't be fooled into thinking that you should use a product labeled "Teak Oil" on teak wood, either exterior or interior. Teak Oil is a marketing term. It has nothing to do with teak. Teak trees aren't squeezed to retrieve the oil.



Types of Teak Oil

Brands of teak oil can be anything from simple mineral oil to thinned varnish to blends of linseed oil and varnish. Most are blends of linseed oil and varnish.

Mineral oil never dries. Thinned varnish dries to a hard film. Blends of oil and varnish dry to a soft, sticky film if all the excess isn't wiped off.

The natural oil in teak is not something that needs to be replaced, anyway. In fact, this oil is often a problem for finishing because it prevents finishes from drying and bonding well.

If the teak you are concerned with lives outside, I suggest you simply leave it entirely unfinished. It will gray with exposure to sunlight and rain, but it will resist splitting and it won't rot. It will last a very long time.

No finish, including "teak oil," will prevent the graying, and hard-curing film-building finishes will peel and become a mess after a few years.

If the teak you are concerned with is inside, I suggest you apply a film-building finish, such as varnish, lacquer or water-based finish. A film finish will provide the best protection against liquid penetration. (Keep in mind that Danish teak furniture is finished with a thin coat of very durable conversion varnish, not oil as is sometimes claimed).

Especially if you're using varnish, but also with other finishes, you should wipe the wood with a quick drying solvent such as naphtha, lacquer thinner or acetone just before applying the first coat of finish to remove the natural oil from the surface. Then apply the finish quickly after the solvent flashes off (dries)—before the interior oil has time to work its way to the surface.

You don't have to do this with additional coats because the first coat seals the natural oil in the wood.