

WOOD CHIPS



Northwest Indiana Woodworkers Association

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From The President's Workbench

Greetings Fellow Woodworkers, Happy Veteran's Day, Thank You to all that served so we can enjoy our freedoms! At the October meeting we held the nominations for the 2024 officers.

The nominees are as follows:

PRESIDENT – JEFF SNELGROVE

VICE PRESIDENT – GEORGE DENTON

TREASURER – RON BENSON

SECRETARY - JOHN HUNTER

Additional nominations will be held prior to the election at the November meeting. The club is also in need of some committee chairpersons. Please consider donating a few minutes a week in helping this club continue to grow. I will be taking over the program chairman's seat again for 2024

Message from Santa: November already! The Toy Program deadline (November 16th meeting) is here. Oh My it is time to finish the toys for the needy children and packing them up for this meeting.

If you have not submitted your organization yet, hurry, our meeting is quickly approaching. John has to have your label on the table so you will know which toys are for you & how many we need to set aside for you. This is a timely ordeal for those of us behind the scenes. If you listed a charitable organization, it will be your responsibility to get the items delivered to your organization(s). Please invite a representative from the organization that you submitted, to the club meeting, we would like to hear from them how this program has helped. Have any spare boxes? Please bring some to help package

these toys for delivery. Many thanks to everyone who has participated in making toys for the kids. Know this, that you may have given a child the only toy they may receive this year. You make the difference.

Christmas Party is coming up on December 14th, 2023 at 6:00 PM (a week before and an hour earlier than our normal meeting) at 6 PM. A sign up sheet for our members and their guest will be at the November meeting. The dinner will be buffet style with the club providing the meat and drinks. Members are asked to bring a dish and some handmade presents to share with the ladies. We always have wonderful selection of foods.

A sign up sheet will be available at the next meeting for the Christmas party and gifts for our ladies.

The EDUCATIONAL RAFFLE DRAWING is at the November meeting. Bring in your ticket stubs. We still have tickets if you want to make any last minute ticket purchases. This money will help our club provide for our Needy Kids Toy Program this year at Christmas as well as educational programs in the future. Thanks to all for helping make our raffle a success. Thank you everyone that participated in all the tractor shows and donated so much to help out this program to make it the success that it is! Keep up the good work.

NOTE TIME AND DATE changes for the last two months of the year! November 16th at 7 PM general meeting date and time. December 14th at 6 PM general meeting date and time.

Upcoming events: The Woodworking Shows has posted some of the dates for 2024 already.

Columbus, Ohio is January 19th through the 21st.

Indianapolis, Indiana is January 26th through the 28th.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin is February 16th through the 18th.

Check their link for more information. <https://www.thewoodworkingshows.com/>

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

You're President, Kevin Sturgeon

SHOW AND TELL



Kevin Sturgeon



Jeff Snellgrove



Gene Davis



Norm Johnson



Bill Schoech



George Denton



Jilie Sturgeon



TOY WORKSHOP

Club Member George Denton hosted a toy making workshop.





PROGRAM

Club Member Bill Schoech demonstrated cutting segments for making bowls.



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

2023

November 16th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM Toy Program

December 6th Committees Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

7:00 PM

December 14th Membership Meeting at Moose Lodge, 143 South Hobart Road, Hobart IN

6:00 PM Christmas Party, Installation and Awards

Woodworking Tips



Half Pencil Marks Exact Copies

While trying to trace an exact copy of the throat plate for my [table saw](#), I came up with this nifty technique using an ordinary pencil. I just shaved my pencil into a half-pencil by carefully grinding it on my belt sander. The flat edge enables my modified pencil to ride straight up along the edge of the template. It also works great for marking and then shaping [inlays](#) for my woodworking projects. — Tim Reese.