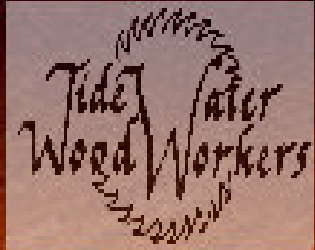


Tidewater Woodworkers Guild



Notes from the Wood House

Hello fellow woodworkers and Happy New Year! Welcome to the 30th year of the Tidewater Woodworker's Guild!

I hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday Season and enjoyed lots of quality time with family and friends. During this time of year some of us are lucky enough to pick up one or two new tools. We'd like to hear from you lucky ones and all about your new tools.

Warning, I just came in from my shop, and finishing cleaning the surface rust from my cast iron surfaces of my tools! Appears the warm weather this past weekend, followed by the quick drop in temperature, caused some condensation and resulted in the surface rust. I was not very pleased when I saw it, as I had just cleaned and waxed my equipment a few weeks

ago. Thanks to my neighbor, Ed, we got it cleaned up pretty quickly and put down another coat of paste wax.

Jim has a fantastic start on our presentations for the year, but I'll let him tell you more about what he's arranged for the upcoming year

I understand our Holiday Gathering at Grate Steak was well attended and that everyone had a good time. That's what it's all about! Thank you to all who participated.

Most of you have already seen Ed's email about renewing your memberships, but I'll reiterate it here: it's that time of year to renew your membership. As Ed stated, "our annual membership dues are still \$15 a calendar year, a mere buck and a quarter a month ...and the parking is FREE!"

Please see Fred and/or Ed at our Monday meeting to ante up. If possible, Fred prefers checks or exact change please. We'd like to increase our membership again this year, so please bring a friend along.

An order of business this month will be to ask for a motion to renew our web site for another year. The annual cost for the web site is about \$438 for the year and that includes the Domain Hosting, site virus protection, online security, counters, domain registration and setup, daily monitoring and data updates as required. If you have any questions, please talk to Ed.

I've rambled on long enough. Wife says I need to finish up and get started on my homework! Nag, nag, nag!! See you on Monday! Don't forget to bring in your show and tell items this month.

January 2010 Issue

Next Meeting

January 25, 2010
7:00PM

Woodcraft of Norfolk
5802 E. Virginia Beach Blvd.
Norfolk, VA 23502
(757) 466-1166

Monthly Meeting

4th Monday of Each Month

Find Us On the Web www.twwwg.com

Please note that parts of the site are password protected. The password is provided to those whose dues are current.

Club Dues

Dues are \$15.00 per year and are payable by check or cash.

Upcoming Meetings

Jim Francis will be coordinating presenters and demonstrators each month. If you know of someone that would be a good presenter or if you would like to demonstrate your talents, please contact Jim Francis.

January

Band Saw & Table Saw
Safety

Guest Presenters

Ed Bunker

Bret Lancaster

February

New Methods to Tool Sharpening
Guest Presenter

To Be Determined

The Executive Board

Bret Lancaster	President	631-0634
Jim Frances	Vice President	595-9041
Adrian Marshall	Secretary	877-2710
Fred Olds	Treasurer	486-3862
Andy Steinberg	Past President	285-3575

Contributors Wanted: We are looking for articles for our monthly newsletter like an article on a shop tip or technique, a review about a tool or product or a woodworking event. Send it to patron300@cox.net.

2009 TWWWG Toys 4 Tots Wrap-Up

Many thanks, and a super well done to everyone who contributed to the Toys for Tots program! According to our sign in sheet, we made and donated 226 toys to the Marine Corps Toys for Tots Program!

Most of our toy making started after we "kicked off" the project back in May 2009. However we were in full force when Cory Larson presented his "Humvee" during our September Toys for Tots presentation. With the idea in its infancy, Bob Waddell drafted both a drawing as well as the step by step procedure to make the Humvees from 2x4's. Pat Lester procured, cut and glued-up many of the 2x4's used for the project while Bret Lancaster and Ed Bunker distributed the plans to the membership. Of the 226 toys made, 177 were the Humvees!

Those contributing to the Toys for Tots program this year were: Don Colley, Gene George, Bob Waddell, Ed Bunker, Pat Taylor, Pat Lester, Cory Larson, Bob & Charles Pennington, Dan Boltz, Holly Finch, David Lee, Richard Royals, Don Lancaster, Phil Cary, Adrian Marshall, and Jim & Joan Larson.

In addition to the Humvees, we had monster trucks, race cars, snail pull toys, dragsters, cars, and bi-planes donated this year! An exceptional well done to all!

Submitted by Ed Bunker

Vendor Review - Caddell Electric Co.

So the expression goes "bad things happen in 3's". First the magnetic switch on my Unisaw went bad. Grizzly has a nice selection and I found a great solution for about \$60.00.

Then, the gear track for the movable fence for my jointer lost a tooth. A slight modification and I was back up and running. But the fun started when my dust collector decided to stop collecting.

Smoke came from the switch housing. Upon removing the switch plate, I discovered a capacitor that tried to "give birth" to itself. I contacted Delta locally, but they could not offer an affordable solution and referred me to Bryant. Bryant referred me to Caddell Electric in Norfolk. I went to Caddell with the bad part. They had a replacement capacitor so I bought the replacement and installed it. It worked for about 30 seconds and then smoke again. I then called our electrical motor guru, Ed Bunker. Ed offered to come by and test the system but even Ed could not determine the problem without a technical manual.

I called Caddell back and they asked if I could bring the motor and switch in for testing. Per their request, I delivered the components. The next morning, I received a call from Caddell that the motor was working fine—when you put the correct capacitor on the motor. The capacitor was not labeled properly. Caddell contacted Delta and found the correct solution. My cost for the whole process—\$45.00, part & labor (plus some verbiage I cannot print).

November 2009 Meeting Minutes

Tidewater Woodworkers Guild

Date Nov. 23 , 2009

The meeting was called to order on Nov. 23 , at 7 pm by the president, Bret Lancaster.

After a short introduction and recognition of new faces, the following announcements and business was presented..

Marine Corps was presented with Toys for Tots. Thanks to Pat Lester for organizing.

177 Humvee's were made by members . Other members showed their toys

Thanks to everyone that participated.

The new equipment cabinet was displayed.

Our Holiday Dinner will be Dec 14 at 6pm at the Grate Steak. No regular meeting in December.

Presenter Cory Larson

Program Chip Carving

Basic Carving and Incised Lettering

Show And Tell Projects

Jim Francis- Cherry Chest,

Holly Finch- Row Boat with Windmill,

David Lyon-Cherry Chest with draws.

Bret showed dove tails cut by Rob Cosman

Old Business- none

New Business – Program in January 2010 will be Safety with tools in your shop

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm

Submitted

Adrian Marshall / Secretary

Vendor Review - continued

If you have a motor on one of your larger tools that decides to go on vacation, I would suggest that you contact the folks at Caddell (757-625-4261). They do have a bench charge for testing, but it saved me the cost of a new dust collector.

Submitted by Andy Steinberg

Show and Tell From The November 2009 Meeting



Pictured starting at top left is the representative from the Marine Corp. Don Lancaster (top right) shows off some of the toy trucks that he crafted. For those of you who do not know, Don is our resident elf from the North Pole. Ron Pennington (middle left) crafted a few monster trucks for the cause. The middle right picture is a partial showing of all those who made toys. Holly Finch (bottom left) made a few toy snails for the kids. Bret Lancaster (bottom right) officially presents our toys to the United States Marine Corp. (pictures from Don Hubbard)

Program Highlights From Our November 2009 Meeting



At the November meeting, Corey Larson (top left) gave a demonstration on letter carving. Corey showed that the first step is to create a full scale drawing of your design (top right). Once you have transferred your image to your surface, carve the letters out, then paint the sign to your specifications. (photography by Don Hubbard)

Woodworking on Television

There are a number of woodworking shows on cable and satellite these days for those of you who subscribe to these services.

Recently, WHRO has changed the format again. The New Yankee Workshop is back on Channel 15 at 8AM. If you have digital cable and receive the Create Channel (Cox Channel 109), there are multiple showings of the New Yankee Workshop: Tuesday (4:30PM & 10:30PM); Wednesday (4:30AM & 8:00AM); Thursday (10:30AM, 4:30PM & 10:30PM); Friday (4:30AM).

WHRO has moved the WoodSmith to the Create Channel. It can be found at the following times: Tuesday (5:00PM & 11:00PM); Wednesday (5:00AM); Thursday (10:0AM & 5:00PM).

At 3:30PM on Saturday, the New Yankee Workshop is broadcast on the North Carolina PBS. This is followed by the Woodwright's Shop at 4:00PM.

If you know of any other shows or changes to existing shows, please let us know.

Club Discounts Available

Over the years, certain businesses have offered a variety of discounts to our membership. Below is a current list of companies that offer some type of discount for products and services.

Woodcraft	10% off on meeting night
	Norfolk (757) 466-1166
Sure Set Saw	13% Discount
	Chesapeake (757) 420-7991
Cabinet Makers Hardware	Contractor's Price
	Virginia Beach (757) 490-1185
Wurth Woodgroup	
	Norfolk (757) 858-3908
Scroll-it Service	
	Portsmouth (757) 237-6867
Sherwin Williams Paint	15% Discount
	All stores in Hampton Roads