

## *Tidewater Woodworkers News*



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**HEY Gang – it crept up on (us) again!... Our FOURTH Monday is coming up at the end of this weekend, Monday the 22nd of April –7PM – Plywood and Plastics. Having lined up member Steve Fesko ...(because he has such a neat "tell-tale" email address... < sales@beachwoodcrafts.com > ) to give us some insight in his woodworking business and the crafts behind it...and pointing out to him that our meeting is on the 22nd –early this month... I went off on a grandad vacation week– where you get to be in-charge of 3 of America's Finest... and I didn't come back to my senses until this morning when I received a note from our Webmiester, Ed Bunker, suggesting, "maybe you forgot...?"**

**Okay preliminaries over... I got the point across– Monday– 22nd– and our program will be around Steve's crafts and the techniques he uses ...as Rod Reich mentioned last month in his scroll saw presentation– when you are in business with wood..."Time is Money"... By the way– Steve Fesko is the member who confirmed the address/point of contact for the Flag Boxes being built by woodworkers around the country in support of the 9/11 Flag to Survivors program: we have posted this info on our new Club web site. (And for those who haven't visited – c'mon down and see the house put together by Ed Bunker and his son. And be prepared to give us some feedback with suggestions to improve or make easier your future visits to our club site).**

**A minor point of "business" to mention – and then on with it– our email membership alone is up to 93...and another 20 some members who don't "compute"...yet our dues list as April comes to a close shows only 69 paid up members for the year. If any of you do intend to hang in there with us, please drop a check –\$15 for the year– made out to "Tidewater Woodworkers" in on our treasurer, Gene George. You may put it in the mail if you are "out of pocket" for this meeting– Tidewater Woodworkers 1793 Templeton Lane, Virginia Beach 23454... and we thank you.**

**While we do have a handsome treasury at this stage...we are hoping to make some expenditures for the club. Based on need (attendance at meetings) we may be on the verge of buying more folding chairs. But before we take that**



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step- I want to look into the possibility of a larger roof over our head. As you have noticed, the space now available to us at Plywood and Plastics is somewhat confined- to the point of distraction in allowing all members in on the presentation- seeing and hearing- first hand. Someone in our group who is also a member of the Tidewater Turners has evidently looked into the same challenge that I took on this past week-- that is, the possibility of housing our meetings at the Norfolk Senior Center - located on West 21st Street in Norfolk. We have been "friends" with these folks for several years now- exchanging newsletters, noting for our members that they do have a wood shop and a mentor, Curt Holbein...some basic woodworking classes, and even the opportunity to buy wood at their "member prices." It was this April's Newsletter from the Senior Center that I picked up on the possibility of seeking them as a meeting host; as you may know- the Tidewater Turners already meet there the Fourth Tuesday each month. And when I spoke with Ms. Barbara Lifland, the Center Director, about such a possibility for us- I learned that a Turner had already made a similar inquiry on our behalf...and was given some "paperwork" that spelled out costs and house rules. In any case, Ms. Lifland is forwarding a care package to me for us to look into -vis-a-vis an alternative meeting place. My understanding at this point is that we might even consider moving our meeting day to better afford the possibility of such an alternative... in any case- as we see the offering- we'll keep you posted. If any of you have any other considerations to bring to the table- let us hear from you.

As always- Show and Tell is always called for at our meetings. We love to see your work, learn your finishing techniques, ....and if you're willing -to share your plans.

We'll look for you Monday eve...until then- KIWTG  
Keep it with the grain  
Pat