



TWA Newsletter

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 21, 7:00 pm

Location: Klingspor's Woodworking Shop
MacGregor Village Shopping Center
107 Edinburgh S Dr. Suite 151, Cary NC

Speaker: Larry Favorite

Topic: Functional and Semi-functional Ironwood Art

I have been creating functional and semi-functional art out of ironwood from the Sonoran Dessert for more than 40 years. This wood is extremely dense, so I have adapted tools and created techniques that allow me to shape the wood like stone. I most often create boxes, bowls, vases, bears, and wall hangings. I embellish each piece with inlays of sterling silver, turquoise, and / or other semi-precious gemstones, using motifs drawn from nature and spirituality. There is no finish on the wood, the variations in the grain in my completed pieces are a result of repeated sandings.

I derive my greatest satisfaction as an artist from the sheer joy of doing – of being at one with the wood and releasing the beauty that is within. I love the challenge of looking at and listening to a piece of wood and letting it reveal to me what it should become.

I have a tremendous sense of inner peace about my life and my work, and hope that those who touch the pieces of art I have created can feel this in the work itself.

Larry Favorite's artwork has appeared in several publications:

Rock and Gem Magazine, September 1999

Guide to the Tokyo International Mineral Fair, 1994

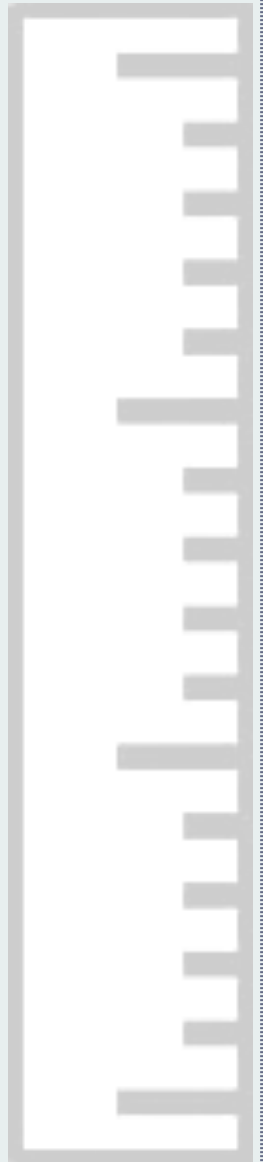
Lapidary Journal, July 1992

Fine Woodworking Magazine, August 1991

Host: Mark Firley

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TWA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING—DECEMBER 3, 2019

TOYS FOR TOTS DINNER

(meeting minutes: James Sapp)

The Triangle Workers Association conducted its regular business meeting at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Cary with the year-end culmination of the annual Toys for Tots program. The meeting included a potluck dinner. The featured speaker, as in years past, was Roy Underhill. Also attending were Marine Corps members Sgt. Reinhold and Sgt. Angular. Hil Peel of the Hardwood Store in Gibsonville, NC also was present. The Hardwood Store donated much of the wood supplies for the Toys for Tots program.

Roy Brookhart opened the meeting with a brief introduction of the program and honored guests prior to the potluck dinner. Bob Andrews offered grace prior to the dinner.

Fred Ford emceed the Toys for Tots program. He began by thanking Hil Peel and the Hardwood Store for their generous donation of wood to the program. Then, Sgt. Reinhold of the Marine Corps recounted some of the Toys for Tots program history saying it started in 1947 thanks to the wife of the commandant of the Marine Corps. Last year the Marine Corps distributed over 50,000 toys

to 35,000 kids in the area. There are 8 active marines involved in the program. The program covers six counties with a population of 1.5 to 2 million people. At the end of the brief historical summary, Sgt.

Reinhold presented a plaque to the TWA for 25 years of support to the Toys for Tots program. Roy Brookhart accepted the plaque on behalf of the association.

Roy Underhill expressed his appreciation for the contributions of the Toys for Tots workers and how they were not only giving the children great joy but also a sense of what could be made from wood, and perhaps, laying the foundation for future woodworkers. Roy continued with an anecdotal story of a Mr. Sims who was a restoration craftsman at Colonial Williamsburg. The story traced back to Brighton,

England where Mr. Sims learned the valuable lesson from an old craftsman who lent his experience, tools and life lessons in a most subtle manner. The story related to the Toys for Tots workers, who by the contributions, where giving wonderful examples to future

generations.

Fred Ford then introduced the Toys for Tots team members, who, in turn, presented the toys, their fellow team members and the number of toys made. A list of the presenters and toys produced is on the next page.

On a particularly poignant moment in the presentation, Fred read a letter that Judy Sanwald sent to the Toys for Tots team for all their hard work on this year's toys. She recognized Bob Andrews, Barton Meeks, Hugh and Pat Fish, Dick Paur, Mike Weinberger, Mohan Sankor, and Dick Raup, who cheerfully finished the job just in time. She said Roger loved working with them, and their efforts in the past few weeks allowed him to feel that this year's toys would, indeed, be ready for delivery. Judy said she was so grateful and fortunate to work with this group. Fred acknowledged that Judy had sent a card of appreciation for the flowers sent by TWA upon Roger's passing.

This year's meeting was a great success celebrated with joy but with a sense of melancholy remembering the loss of our long-time member, Roger Sanwald.



Special guests at the meeting included speaker Roy Underhill and Sgt. Reinhold from the US Marine Corps (photos: Mark Firley)



Sgt. Reinhold presenting a plaque to the TWA for our longstanding support of the Toys for Tots program (photo: Mark Firley)

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(meeting minutes: James Sapp; photos: Mark Firley)

HOST	TOY	# of TOYS
Bob Gabor	Tote Boxes/art supplies	50
	Cars	600
Cecil Raynor	Fire Trucks	54
Terry Tenhouse	Step Stools	60
	Blocks	50
	Knick Knack Boxes	50
Jim Rhodes	Tractor	88
	Bulldozers	40
Joe Sabo (Klingspor)	Volkswagon	832
Pete Hodges	Cars, Helicopters	657
Mark Firley	Trucks	50
	Tankers	50
	Hippos	50
	Pig/Bears	50
Roger & Judy Sanwald	Fish crayon holders	50
	Bat Mobiles	50
	Puzzles	50
	Wagons/blocks	75
Bob Guenther	Helicopters	100
Bill Burton & Fred Ford	Boats	197
Bob Andrews	Motor Graders	50
	Trucks	20
Ken Serdar	Trains	20
Joe Sabo	Trucks	502
	Cradles	5
	Ring Toss	4
	Knick Knack Boxes	86
	Animal Toys	50
	Race Cars	35
	Large Race Cars	35
	Poppers	100
Alex Knittel	Bat Mobiles	12
	Race Cars	10
	Volkswagons	15
	Cradles with Bedding & Dolls	18
Tom Hegele	Tractors	100
Total		4265



FINAL TOYS FOR TOTS REPORT FOR 2019, OUR 34TH YEAR

This year we have donated 4,265 toys! For the first time we have gone over 4,000 toys, beating our previous record of 3462 in 2011.

Forty-five of us attended the celebratory December Pot Luck Dinner, where we were entertained by our good friend Roy Underhill.

Our 34th year proved to be a great year. We had fifteen workshops, up from fourteen last year.

Fifty-two members participated in the workshops. Appropriately, most of the recognition and attention to our achievements goes to them. We recognized their efforts at our annual dinner by asking our hosts to demonstrate their toys and give highlights of their activities.

There are, however, several members who worked to make the program run smoothly. I am that sure most of you realize the importance of these contributors, but allow me to give them due credit.

Bob Andrews, also a workshop host, orders and supplies all of the parts (wheels, dowels etc.) requested by the other workshop hosts. He was also instrumental in securing a place, at no charge, for our December Social. He then coordinated the set up, the clean up, and more. THANKS, BOB!

Terry Tenhouse, also a workshop host, secured all the wood requested by workshop hosts. Terry also acts as our interface to The Hardwood Store, our principal supplier of wood. THANKS, TERRY!

Joe Sabo, also a workshop host which made 817 toys, hosted the Klingspor "Meet the Public" day which entailed much preliminary work to make it possible to make 832 toys with 19 workers in less than seven hours. THANKS JOE!

I need to thank Hil Peel of The Hardwood Store of North Carolina for his generous contributions of hardwood. About 90% of the hardwood we used came from The Hardwood Store.

Thank you all for your support. I hope you all will take a moment on Christmas to think of all the children we helped have a Merry Christmas.

There are two tables that are part of my report. One is on the previous page of the newsletter which shows the Workshop Host and the toys produced. The table on the right shows the workshops and those participating.

Submitted By
Fred Ford
Chairman of the TWA Toys for Tots Committee

WORKSHOPS PARTICIPANTS

BOB GABOR

Terry Tenhouse
Roy Brookhart
Amy Dowden
Ray Essington
Nicole Nichols
Sean Anderson
Patrick Jones

TERRY TENHOUSE

Hal Brown
Michael Peele
Roy Brookhart
James McNeill

JIM RHODES

KEN SERDAR

CECIL RAYNOR

Bernie Bogdon
George Mills
Mike Payst

MARK FIRLEY

Pete Mulligan
Ken Serdar
+members of the
Hillsborough/Orange
Woodworkers

BOB ANDREWS

Gene Taxis

ROGER SANWALD / JUDY SANWALD

Bob Andrews
Hugh Fish
Pat Fish
Sankar Mohan
Mike Weinberger
Barton Meeks
Dick Raup
Dick Paur

ALEX KNITTEL

BOB GUENTHER

Mike Turbak
Joe Signoretti

JOE SABO

Allen Campbell
Fred Ford
Pete Hodges
Cecil Raynor
Patty Raynor
Richard Raynor
Raleigh Raynor
Zack Raynor
Roy Brookhart
Terry Tenhouse
Hugh Fish
Pat Fish

Bernie Bogdon
Niki Dwight
Noel Dwight
Hugh Donohue
Bob Guenther
Bruce Wrenn
Mike Payst

PETE HODGES

Fred Ford

BILL BURTON AND FRED FORD

Hugh Donohue
Chris Ackerman
Pete Hodges
Joe Sabo
Bill Schott
Bob Andrews

JOE SABO

Bob Andrews
Doug Wise
Bill Schott
Steve Schott

TOM HEGELE



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year to you all. With the new year, and the new decade, I am going to try really hard to remember to write '2020' and not '2019'. I know that it just requires that I work at it.

I want 2020 to be a great year for membership growth for our Triangle Woodworkers Association. I will be working with our board on some initiatives that can help us all. I also want to put out a simple challenge to all of you. I want you all to remember to promote our organization and to suggest that people that you know or meet join our group. When you talk about what we do, what we learn, what we can share, and how much fun we have, please remember to talk about membership and joining us.

I know we can do it, it just requires that we work at it.

Regards,

Roy Brookhart

UPCOMING MEETING

Meeting Topic: Woodworking, Collaboration and Innovation

Date: Tuesday, February 18

Speakers: Richard Stephenson and Alice Hinman

Richard Stephenson is of Raleigh's Flicht Furniture (<https://flichtfurniture.com>). Flicht Furniture is a Raleigh based company making modular plywood furniture using a 'pressure-fit', no fastener, system of assembly.

In the spring of 2019 Flicht held a workshop for

children teaching hands-on skill development and wildlife stewardship, building bluebird houses.

The event was posted on social media for everyone to enjoy. One of the people who enjoyed it the most, and who saw potential in the production concept was Alice Hinman of 'Apiopolis' (<https://www.apiopolis.org>), a nonprofit organization in Raleigh promoting bee sustainability through healthy bee habitats.

This is OUR story of collaboration and innovation, small business and big ideas.

Host: Mark Firley

TREASURER'S REPORT (NOVEMBER 2019)

Beginning Balance: \$9,072.64
 Income: \$303.00
 Expense: \$393.63
 Ending Balance: \$8,982.01
 Does not include Petty Cash of \$86.00

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Contributions for each newsletter are due by the last day of the previous month.

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