



TWA Newsletter

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 18, 7:00 pm

Location: Zoom videoconference; use the link, meeting ID and passcode below to join.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81588667236?pwd=Qjh1eGxoUVRoZjJ3RE1RTmJnSEtoQT09>

Meeting ID: 815 8866 7236

Passcode: 635923

Note: there is NO in-person Klingspor option for this meeting.

Speaker: Jim Sapp

Topic: SketchUp in the Workshop

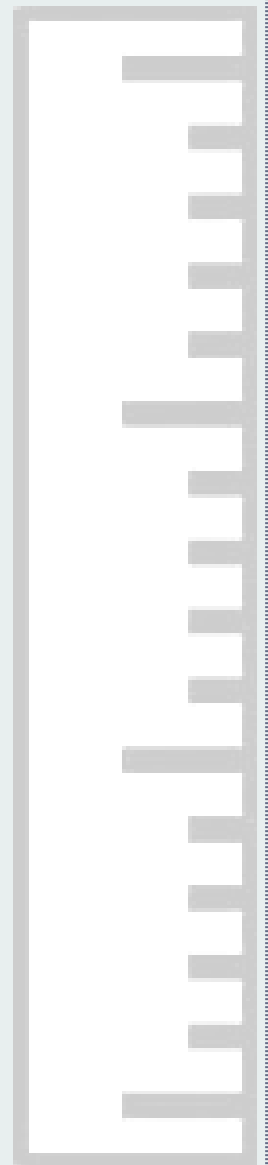
Please join us on Zoom, where Jim Sapp will review his use of SketchUp and the benefits it brings to his woodworking. Jim will also demonstrate how he would use SketchUp to build a simple Shaker stand.

The presentation is intended to provide general information about SketchUp and perhaps serve as a teaser for those who might want to consider SketchUp utilization. The presentation is not intended as a classroom instruction about how to use Sketchup. If there is sufficient club interest, future class sessions could be developed. Additionally, the forthcoming February presentation that will be conducted by Michael Peele will extend the information introduced in Jim’s presentation by showing how SketchUp and Fusion 360 CAD programs could be used with the Shaper Origin, the new and novel handheld CNC router.

Jim has been a TWA member since moving to the Triangle in 2015. He is currently serving in the role as Secretary on the Board of Directors. He has been using SketchUp for many years (10+ years) for woodworking and other projects around his house. For many of his woodworking projects, Jim typically starts out putting his ideas in SketchUp allowing him to assess the workability of the project, determine the sequence in building it, obtain the sizes of the parts, and preview that final project. Finally, he uses SketchUp to provide final shop drawings and cut-lists for the project

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TWA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING—DECEMBER 14, 2021

(meeting minutes: James Sapp)

We're back! This meeting marked our resumption of in-person meetings since the pandemic began.

Appropriately, the subject of the meeting was the annual year-end celebration of the Toys for Tots program. The meeting was held at Klingspor Woodworking Shop and on Zoom. There were 24 in-person attendees while 10 attended via Zoom. Roy Brookhart opened the meeting. Former member, Pete Bucki, attended as a guest and Toys for Tots volunteer.

Before turning the meeting over to the Toys for Tots presentations, Roy expressed the clubs thanks to Klingspor for installing a new WiFi system vitally needed to conduct our meetings both in-person and virtually. While this meeting was focused solely on Toys for Tots, the club will be adding back to future meetings features such as raffles, auctions, and show and tell that were a part of our past regular monthly meetings. During the past year, Mark Firley lined up many great speakers made possible in a large part by using virtual meeting technology like Zoom. In the future, we will likely continue using this resource in addition to live presentations. Please note that Mark is looking for club members to step up and make in-person presentations at our meeting so if you would be willing

to make a presentation, please contact Mark so that he can put you on the speaker schedule.

Fred Ford gave us an overview of the 2021 Toys for Tots program. Our workshop groups produced 4166 toys most of which will be delivered to Marine Corps. There were 58 TWA members and 14 non-members participating in this year's program. Our thanks go out to all. Because of the recent tornado disaster in the Midwest, the TFT program will divert several hundred toys to families impacted by this terrible event.

Workshop leader presentations highlights include:

- Bob Gabor – 50+ tote boxes with art & crafts supplies, plus over 400 VW cars.
- Cecil Raynor – over 400 toys including trucks, VW's, and toy cars.
- Roy Brookhart/Terry Tenhouse – over 170 toys including knickknack boxes, 2D puzzles and Soma cube puzzles.
- Bob Guenther – over 50 helicopter toys.
- Jim Rhodes – 80 tractor toys.
- Pete Hodges (presented by Fred Ford) – almost 500 toys including trucks, VW's, race cars and long cars.
- Bob Andrews/Judy Sanwald – wood puzzles, blocks, bat mobiles, Maxwell cars, fish, flower and truck shaped crayon holders.
- Mark Firley (who could not attend) – made 50 each of short trucks, tanker trucks, long trucks, and wheeled hippo and pig toys.
- Les Hall (who could not attend) – 108 pull dogs.
- Bill Burton (presented by Hugh Donahue) – about 255 toys including push/pull dogs, whales, turtles, ducks, pigs and frogs.
- Tom Hegele – 100 tractor toys.
- Joe Sabo – Klingspor Workshop day team made 993 VW's; during the year Joe's other team made over 600 toys including race cars, toy tanks, keepsake boxes, trucks, poppers, cradles, animal push toys.

A big thank you goes out from the club to the Hardwood Store for the donation of wood supplies for all of the toy projects.



The club met in-person for the annual Toys for Tots meeting. Fred Ford and Joe Sabo were two of the presenters at the meeting. (photos: Roy Brookhart)

HOST	TOY	# of TOYS
Bob Gabor	Tote Boxes	50
	Volkswagon	400
	Blocks	10
Cecil Raynor	Heavy Duty Trucks	155
Terry Tenhouse and Roy Brookhart	Tic Tac Toe	48
	Soma Cube Puzzles	71
	Knick Knack Boxes	57
Jim Rhodes	Tractors	80
Joe Sabo (Klingspor)	Volkswagon	993
Pete Hodges	Volkswagon	300
	Race Cars	50
Mark Firley	Short Trucks	50
	Short Tankers	50
	Long Trucks	50
	Hippos	50
	Pigs	50
Judy Sanwald and Bob Andrews	Fish crayon holders	50
Bob Guenther	Helicopters	50
Les Hall	Dogs	108
Bill Burton	Kinetic Rolling Balls	255
Bob Andrews	Blocks	25
	Puzzles	58
	Trucks with Crayons	20
	Flower Crayon Holders	25
	Batmobiles	25
	Maxwell Cars	25
Joe Sabo	Trucks	318
	Cradles	6
	Ring Toss	8
	Keepsake Boxes	97
	Large Race Cars	111
	Tanks	40
	Poppers	108
	Angels	2
	Animals	54
Alex Knittel	Dogs	20
Tom Hegele	Tractors	107
Don Frankfather(deceased)	MISC.	112
Final total		4166

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We have just completed another spectacular year for Toys for Tots. The Covid virus is certainly no match for this group. We produced 4,166 toys for the Marine Corps Toys for Tots Program. Bob Andrews also led an effort to get toys to the children hit by the tornado. With a combined effort we were able to send 400 toys to the children. You will find more details on this effort in an article written by Bob on [page 5](#).

On the next page, you will find a list of all the participants in this year's program. We had a total of 72 people assisting. 58 were TWA members 14 were non-members. The nonmembers were mostly family members helping with the assembly of the Toys for Tots at our Klingspor toy building marathon. Five of the 14 were distributed among the remaining 14 workshops the non-members are identified on the attached table with an asterisk.

To the left is a list of all the toys we made by type of toy and group by workshop host. You will find that there are 36 different types of toys in the 4,166 toy total. I'm planning that for next year we will have a dinner meeting for our Toys for Tots wrap up. That will give us an opportunity to display the toys for all to see. We did have them on display at this year's December Klingspor meeting however the space was limited and there was very little circulation of the members attending.

This year has been my 32nd year of participation in the TWA Toys for Tots Program. I have to admit that the last two years have been very difficult. I hope and pray that the coming year will bring an end to this epidemic, and we can get back to our normal lives.

We are now entering our 37th year. HAPPY NEW YEAR to you all and please stay well.

Fred Ford

Chairman of the TWA Toys for Tots Program

2021 TOYS FOR TOTS WORKSHOPS



BOB GABOR

Jean Thomas*
Roy Brookhart
Ray Essington
Pete Hodges*

JOE SABO (Klingspor)

Allen Campbell
Chris Gebhardt
Jack Gebhardt*
Jonathan Sapp
Jim Sapp
Mike Payst
George Mills
Barton Meeks
Bruce Wrenn*
Fred Ford
Davis Flynn*
Sue Ford*

TERRY TENHOUSE/ ROY BROOKHART

Hal Brown
Michael Peele
James McNeill
Mark Asman
Barton Meeks

Deb Greenwood*
Roy Brookhart
Hugh Fish
Pat Fish
Bernie Bogdon
Bob Guenther
Shirley Troyer
Addy Gebhardt*
Kirsten Gebhardt*
Dylan Mills*

JIM RHODES

DON FRANKFATHER (deceased)

CECIL RAYNOR

George Mills
Mike Payst
Molly Taylor*
Joe Blackwith

PETE HODGES

Fred Ford

MARK FIRLEY

Jeff Leimberger
Pete Mulligan
Bill Watkins

BILL BURTON

Hugh Donohue
Ron Young
Barry Shelley
Steve Spear
Pete Bucki

ALEX KNITTEL

LES HALL

Dick Raup
Karin Pihel
Layton Long

JOE SABO

Jim Sapp
Bill Schott*
Kristen Musgrave
Chris Gebhardt

JUDY SANWALD / BOB ANDREWS

Sankar Mohan
Mike Weinberger
Dick Paur

TOM HEGELE

Chris Hegele

* denotes non-members

BOB GUENTHER

Chris Huddleston



Joe, Cecil and Bob provide overviews of the toys built in their workshops at the December meeting (photos: Roy Brookhart)

TOYS FOR TORNADO VICTIMS

On December 17 (day 1) several states were hit by a 260 mile swath of tornados. Southwest Kentucky was especially hit hard. When I got up Saturday morning (day 2), and saw the pictures on the news, I knew many kids Christmas presents had been destroyed. I know people who make toys and I think I know enough Department of Transportation people (safety professionals like me that are retired) between Cary and Mayfield, Kentucky to get them there. I sent out some notes to several people to set up a toy Pony Express. By the end of the day we had the route set: Cary to Asheville, Asheville to Williamsburg, Ky, and the last leg was Williamsburg to Bowling Green.

Next was to get a new batch of toys made. I called Fred Ford since he

has this great gift to squeeze one more toy or two out of all of us. I also contacted some from my workshop. Fred got Pete Hodges rolling on making Volkswagens and Dick Paur from our workshop got started on some more of his puzzles. I cranked up my shop to get some motor graders made. We targeted Sunday (day 10) to have all the toys made, packed, and to me.

We had one last detail to nail down. We needed someone like a soccer mom, scout leader, or the Salvation Army to distribute the toys. I had done enough emergency management work to know it is not helpful to show up unannounced. My neighbor Jennie was from Kentucky so I asked her to find us a contact. We found out the Kentucky Governor's wife had spun up a toy drive but they needed all the toys by

Saturday. That was too soon for us because it looked like we couldn't get the toys there until Monday. Jennie made some calls and found a retired insurance agent in Ky to help us. Ralph called (day 4) and gave us the delivery location. So the toy Pony Express was all set up and we were setting up the Monday meeting times: 6am leave Cary and 10 am meet Herb (retired NC DOT safety

professional) in Asheville (buy him breakfast before we sent him on his way), Herb meets Robby (retired KYDOT safety director) at 1:30 in Williamsburg and Robby drives the last leg to Bowling Green. The collection site closes at 4pm so we knew it would be close.

While all the travel planning was taking place, toys were being made. On Tuesday (day 5), we had our annual Toys for Tots meeting at Klingspor. Cecil and Patty had over a hundred toys, Alex Knittel brought some, and I took all the display toys we had at the meeting. Judy and Dick packed up the puzzles in boxes with instructions and I gathered everything into my Subaru (day 10). We had somewhere in the neighborhood of 350-400 toys!

Monday (day 11) comes and the toy Pony Express takes off. Every handoff is made on time and Robby arrives in Bowling Green to see people being turned away. The warehouse is full. He is, however, not to be deterred. He explains that he has handmade wooden toys from North Carolina. He explains the rushed making of the toys, the toy Pony Express, etc. However, he had them at "handmade wooden toys"! These toys were going to the head of the line.

There is no doubt in my mind that TWA earned some brownie points in Santa's eyes. Thanks to all who helped pull this off.

Your humble toy maker and Santa's helper,

Bob Andrews



MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

TWA is happy to welcome the following new member:

- Alexandra Cotter

Who do you know that would benefit from joining TWA? Have you spoken to them about it, and invited them to a meeting?

Barton Meeks, Membership Committee

TREASURER'S REPORT (NOVEMBER)

Beginning Balance: \$9,744.08

Income: \$250.00

Expense: \$636.05

Ending Balance: \$9,358.03

Does not include Petty Cash of \$86.00

Submitted by Jack Kite, Treasurer

MENTORS

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UPCOMING MEETING

Meeting Topic: SketchUp in the Workshop—Part 2

Date: Tuesday, February 15

As a follow-up to the January meeting presentation by Jim Sapp, Michael Peele will show how SketchUp and Fusion 360 CAD programs could be used with the Shaper Origin, the new and novel handheld CNC router.

Since the presentations will be more effective with Zoom, there will not be an option for participation at Klingspor.

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

Please send newsletter content for future newsletters to Fred Ford (fredford22@ gmail.com) and Karin Pihel (karin.pihel@ gmail.com).

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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year and welcome to 2022.

There is no better way to kick off 2022 than to have a great end to 2021. I think we did that with yet another outstanding Toys For Tots celebration. Even with the pandemic trying to slow us down, we created over 4000 toys for the Marines to distribute to needy families. We should all be very proud of what we donate year over year.

We also held our December meeting at Klingspor's. Club members were there in person and some joined in using Zoom. It has been a long time since we were able to spend time together and it felt great! We will be doing this again soon.

For January and February, the presentations will be more effective if we use Zoom. So for January and February, we will not have an option for participation at Klingspor's. Watch for information in the newsletters and on our website. We will use the best methods we have to provide enjoyable and informative monthly meetings.

Let's all plan to have a great year together in 2022.

Regards,

Roy Brookhart

BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

POSITION

President
Vice President
Secretary
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At Large Board Member
At-Large Board Member
At-Large Board Member

BOARD MEMBER

Roy Brookhart
Mark Firley
James Sapp
Jack Kite
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Dick Raup
Joe Sabo

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to be filled in early 2022
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