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# TWA Newsletter

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

Location options:

(1) Klingspor's

(2) Zoom videoconference; use the link, meeting ID and passcode below to join.

https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/83124943685? pwd=Qkt2ZHdLa2FjcnNXVGdoeFdWOVFJdzo9

Meeting ID: 831 2494 3685

Passcode: 058789

Topic: Toys for Tots Kick-Off

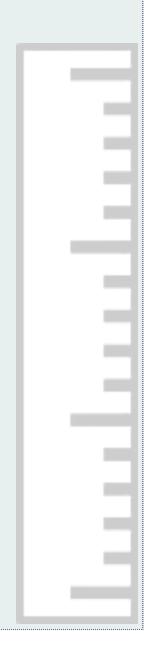
The June meeting will kick off this year's TWA support of the Marines' Toys for Tots Campaign. Fred Ford will discuss some history and what is coming up. How do you get supplies? When is the annual workshop at Klingspor and how can you help? We will also hear from a few members on particularly interesting or difficult parts that go into toys. Can you make a helicopter rotor?

After the Toys for Tots part of the program, Bob Andrews will lead a discussion on making toys. How much of a plan do you need? When do you use a drill press or a bandsaw in the sequence of making your parts? Bob will lead an open discussion on decisions, problems, jigs, tips, and tricks from design to packaging a toy. Come with your questions, suggestions, and your own tips, tricks, ideas for jigs, and ideas to help each other. Who knows which kid will benefit from your suggestion or member will pick up a new skill?

# Note: There is an in-person meeting option for June!!

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# TWA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING—MAY 17, 2022

(meeting minutes: James Sapp)

Roy Brookhart opened the regular May meeting at Klingspor's Woodworking Store and on Zoom. About 18 attended in person and roughly the same number attended on Zoom. There were several new or aboutto-be-new members attending including: Rod Branken, Pete Bucki, Paul Meehan, Don Klemp, Chris Petersen, and Mark Darby.

Member Tom Hegele announced to the attendees that his brother-in-law, Archie Smity has a large amount of hardwoods that he would like sell and/or auction off. A listing of the materials and quantities is available. Some pieces have already been sold. While no prices are indicated on the spreadsheet, Tom requests that interested parties make a reasonable offer. If anyone would like to purchase some of these materials please contact Tom at (919) 819-3415 or email him at thegele@gmail.com.

Tom lives in Cary at 1205 Wicklow Drive. Although plans are not yet defined, some of these hardwoods may be auctioned at the June TWA meeting.

Fred Ford provided a brief Toys for Tots update. Some groups have started producing toys for this year's program. The goal again is to produce in the neighborhood of 4000 toys to give to the Marine Corps at Christmas time. The June TWA meeting will be the official kickoff of this year's Toys for Tots program. The meeting location will be Klingspor's Woodworking Shop and Zoom.

This meeting marked the first time since the onset of Covid that Mike Payst could conduct a drawing of a \$25 gift certificate at Woodcraft. Yours truly was the lucky winner. For those unfamiliar with the drawing, tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Drawing proceeds go to Toys for Tots.

# TOYS FOR TOTS STATUS REPORT

We are now in our 37th year of Toys for Tots. It is shaping up to be another good year. At the June meeting we will be reviewing some of the milestones of the 37 years that we have been making toys for the Marine Corp's Toys for Tots Program.

The majority of the meeting will be a review of this years Plans in for our 14 workshops. I expect we will hear from half or more of the Workshop Hosts. The hosts will have some of the toys they are currently making and in some cases they only have a prototype.

I have also asked the hosts to share with us some of their jigs and procedures that make it possible to make such large quantities.

I am hopeful that some of their methods can be helpful in your workshops.

I believe that in 2023 we will return to the practice of having a potluck dinner with guests. For now we have in-person and zoom presentations. Please come to Klingspor if you feel safe to do so.

Fred Ford

Chairman of the TWA Toys for Tots Program

# MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

At the May meeting at Klingspor, we had Donald Klemp join the club. Also, former members Pete Bucki and Mark Darby rejoined the club that night.

Our promotions continue for June: If you recruit a member to join the club in the second quarter, you will be entered in a raffle for a woodworking store gift card. And if you recruit 3 members during 2022, you will get a free year of membership.

Barton Meeks, Membership Committee

# TWA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING — MAY 17, 2022

## **MEMBER PROJECTS**

(meeting minutes: James Sapp)

The May meeting presentation was given by club members. Presenters included Joe Sabo, Barton Meeks, Mark Asman, Steve Spear and Roy Brookhart. All presentations were video recorded and will be available on the TWA website.

Joe Sabo shared a slide show of an oak Dining Room Buffet he made for his son and daughter-in-law. Joe sketched the design with pencil and paper. The buffet is 72" long. Joe also presented a craft station project he is currently building for a friend. Based on the friend's design, the artistic craft station will incorporate an air-brush system, include paint supplies, paper handling and an exhaust system to control overspray.

Barton Meeks shared the process of building his new 16' by 22' shop including getting the shop designed, permitted and constructed. Barton and his wife, Linda, have been putting the finishing touches on the shop including the laying and finishing of the knotty pine floor. During sight preparation and working with a tree service and local resource with a portable bandsaw mill, Barton was able to harvest a good deal of white oak and poplar from his property.

Mark Asman shared
with us a walnut
baby cradle
patterned after a
Norm Abrams'
design he built back
in his formative
woodworking years.
Mark built the
cradle from walnut
left over from
walnut stock harvested
on his property and that
he used to floor his house

back in Ohio. Mark also presented a more recent project: a modular quilting station designed by his wife. They made it modular so that they could easily move it if they ever had to move again. Mark wrapped up his session by showing a very impressive maple TV cabinet he built for a charitable organization. This cabinet houses a lift mechanism that elevates an 85" Sony TV and lowers it when it's not

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Barton's shop build (screen shots: Roy Brookhart)

in use to protect it from other activities that occur in the room where it is situated. The cabinet is massive in size and weight, requiring Mark to build in sections to be assembled on site. Mark noted he wrote up detailed instructions on how to disassemble/assemble the cabinet if the need ever arose.







Joe's buffet and Mark's TV cabinet (screen shots: Roy Brookhart)

# MEMBER PROJECTS, CONTINUED

(meeting minutes: James Sapp)

Steve Spear highlighted his
Japanese style hand tool box that
he made during the pandemic.
Steve's first foray in Japanese style
tool boxes was a miniature version
of the one he ultimately made
during Covid. Steve plans to use his
box to carry tools to woodworking
courses that will likely be restarting.
His box will store chisels, planes,
saws and measuring and marking
tools.

Roy Brookhart took us through his journey in building a vintage toy truck he first saw in a booklet on making wooden toys. Roy explained how the book left a lot to the imagination about how to create the parts that made up the truck. He also noted some deficiencies in part sizes. Roy turned to using SketchUp to remedy the lack of information and to provide him with the opportunity to build it electronically before he tackled it in

the shop. During the whole process Roy learned the value of jigs in producing the parts he needed. Roy also cited the help he received from TWA members in figuring out how to cut the parts he needed. Roy has built 4 trucks: three for his grandsons and one for grandpa. However, recent news indicates he is expecting a fourth grandson, so eventually Roy's copy will be passed on.





Steve and Roy show their projects (screenshots: Roy Brookhart)

## **MENTORS**

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Hugh Fish	Chairs, Joinery, Machinery & Power Tools, Mantles, Routers, Tables and TV Cabinets, Turning	(919) 467-5696	hughpatfish@yahoo.com
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Mike Resar	Baby furniture, Beds, Bookcase, Cabinets, Chest, Drafting, Dressers, Tables, TV Cabinets	(919) 876-1664	atwaterla@ncleg.net
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Ken Serdar	CNC woodworking		ken.serdar@gmail.com

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope you enjoyed the May meeting. Not only did we see member project presentations but we also saw each other. For those of you who attended in person at Klingspor's it had been since December of last year that we were able to gather together. If you prefer to join the meeting via Zoom, please continue doing this.

Our June meeting will also be in person at Klingspor's and online with Zoom. I hope to see many of you at the meeting either in person or online.

Congratulations to Barton Meeks and the Membership Committee for the membership drive kick off. And a special thanks to those of you who have already sponsored a new member. Let's see how many guests and new members we can have at the June meeting.

Happy Woodworking,

Roy Brookhart

# 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.

# **UPCOMING MEETING**

Date: Tuesday, July 19

Speaker: Tom McLaughlin

Tom McLaughlin will join us for our July meeting and provide a Zoomonly presentation. Please note that this presentation will have a 6:30 PM start time. More login details will be provided in the July Newsletter.



Tom McLaughlin has been making

and designing commissioned custom furniture since 1990. After years of higher education in his twenties, he decided at 29 to pursue his love for fine furniture making full-time. His training launched forward when he entered a rare apprenticeship with master craftsman P.A. "Pug" Moore in Rocky Mount, North Carolina

The homepage of Epicwoodworking.com tells you about Tom where he says: "My aim is not to simply teach you to make furniture, but to reveal and inspire the artist inside of you."

# TREASURER'S REPORT (APRIL)

Beginning Balance: \$10,652.90

Income: \$270.00

Expense: \$314.46

Ending Balance: \$10,608.44

Does not include Petty Cash of \$86.00

Submitted by Jack Kite, Treasurer

# **BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

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