



TWA Newsletter

Next Meeting: Friday, March 29, 4:00 pm

Location options:

- (1) Klingspor's
- (2) Zoom videoconference; use the information below to join.

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Meeting ID: 814 9657 3402

Passcode: 902029

Speaker: Tom McLaughlin

Topic: Grain Graphics

The March 29 meeting will be our regular TWA monthly meeting at an alternative time. Tom McLaughlin will join us to explore various ways of handling and thinking about wood grain in order to enhance the visual impact of projects. Photo examples and technique demonstrations will be included while considering creative directions using solid wood, veneers, and several finish treatments.



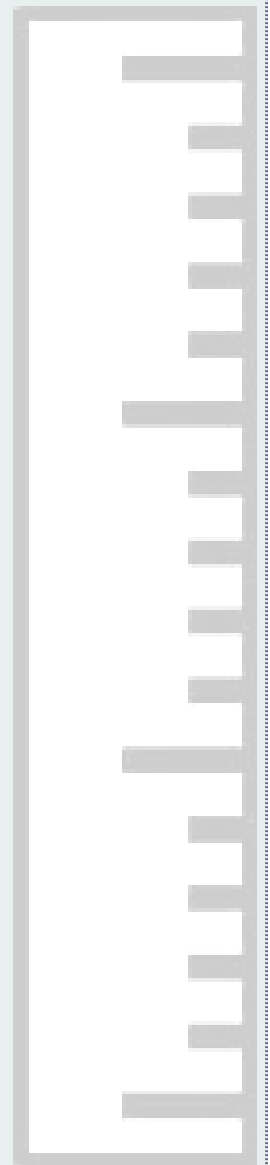
Tom McLaughlin apprenticed in the early 90s with Master Craftsman P.A. "Pug" Moore of Rocky Mount, NC. Over his 30+ year career he has designed and built a myriad of custom pieces for clients seeking to own pieces that are as much a work of art as they are functional. As a 25-year member of the New Hampshire Furniture Masters and former Chairman, his work has become recognizable for its dramatic use of figured wood, creating a sense of movement in each piece. Tom can be seen on repeat episodes hosting *Classic Woodworking* with Fine Woodworking on PBS TV, and he's a frequent contributor to *Fine Woodworking Magazine*.

In 2016, Tom shifted his focus from commission work to teaching on his Epic Woodworking platform. He and his wife Kris enjoy furthering the craft by providing resources and instruction for all levels through a free weekly livestream called *Shop Night Live* on YouTube, Online courses and in-shop classes at his shop in Canterbury, NH.

Host: Kerry Schoolfield

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Date: March 30, 9am to 4:30pm

Topic: The Art of Chairmaking

Presenter: Tom McLaughlin

Location: Klingspor's

In addition to the monthly TWA meeting that will be held on March 29, there will be a special event on March 30 with Tom McLaughlin. This event requires registration. There will be limited seating so you must register to reserve a seat. The registration fee for members is \$20. Non-member registration is \$60 and includes a one year TWA membership, if desired.

During this presentation, Tom will introduce and attempt to simplify the art of fine chairmaking, which is considered by many to be the most challenging of woodworking projects. Demonstrations will cover Queen Anne to contemporary chair designs.

Tom will begin with an explanation of the fundamentals, using a classic mortise and tenon Craftsman style chair as an example. Then he will show how the principals involved in building this chair extend to the more curvilinear Queen Anne style. Finally, he will explore chairmaking design and construction in the style of one of a modern-day masterpiece, the Hans Wegner Classic (round) Chair. There will be time for Q & A throughout the day.

Please register and pay online by going to the link below or scanning the QR code shown above.

<https://checkout.square.site/buy/LDR44FOYVZ425GT2Z7ZWATRI>

Host: Kerry Schoolfield

Date: April 16, 7pm

Topic: Favorite Jigs of TWA Members

Location: Klingspor's

One of the best ways we can improve our woodworking skills is to teach each other and find out what other members are doing. In April, we will feature the favorite jigs of some of our members which will entail members presenting the jig and describing how it is used and built (if home made). We need more members to participate in April. If you would like to present your favorite jig, contact Cecil Raynor by phone (919-815-9155) or email (cecil_raynor@yahoo.com).

Host: Cecil Raynor



TWA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING—FEBRUARY 20, 2024

WILD EDGE WOODCRAFT

(meeting minutes: James Sapp)

The February meeting took place in Klingspor's Cary store. Guests attending were Wayne Brazil and Peter Carpenter, both of who joined as new members at the meeting. Twenty-four people attended at Klingspor's and five attended on Zoom.

Roy Brookhart opened the meeting and noted that since the start of the new year we have had added six new members. He also provided a reminder that the Board will be looking for volunteers to serve in board positions that will be open in September. If any member is interested in serving as a board member, contact Roy or any other board member.

Kerry Schoolfield shared information about the March meeting, which will encompass two sessions. The first will be the regular monthly meeting, but it will be held at a special time and date (4 to 6 PM on Friday March 29) at Klingspor's and will feature nationally known craftsman Tom McLaughlin as the guest speaker. The second session will be a reservation-only event on Saturday March 30. Tom McLaughlin will be leading a teaching session on chairmaking. This session has limited seating. Attendance requires a reservation and a fee of \$20 for members. The TWA webmaster sent out an email to members for registering for the meeting.

In April, Cecil Raynor will be hosting a discussion of favorite woodworking jigs. The meeting will be held at Klingspor's on April 16. Cecil is looking for members to volunteer to show their favorite jigs.

Jim Sapp won the monthly raffle, a \$25 gift certificate to Woodcraft.

Kerry Schoolfield then introduced Avery Earwood of Wild Edge Woodcraft, the featured presenter. Wild Edge Woodcraft is located in Rougemont, North Carolina. Avery's presentation was recorded and is available on the TWA website. The presentation includes pictures of the site and products provided by Avery.

Avery grew up having been introduced to woodworking through his family, especially his grandfather. Avery had a dream to someday start his own woodworking business. That dream had to wait on the need to support himself and his family. For about twenty-five years after graduating from college, Avery worked in the corporate world. When the Covid pandemic came, Avery found himself without a job, spurring him to go after his woodworking dream. Living on an alpaca farm, managed by his wife Shannon, Avery has been building his business by acquiring saw milling and kiln equipment. He saws timbers obtained from urban sources (trees removed from homeowners' lots, storm damage, and lot clearing).

To begin this business, Avery began by identifying where to source urban wood, and then harvesting and transporting it to his site. Avery worked with tree services to obtain logs and then arranged to get the wood to his mill. Avery procured milling equipment from auctions. Initially the sawn wood was only air dried. Avery soon realized that to be able to get the wood to the customer faster, he would have to obtain drying equipment. He started with one vacuum kiln. As the business grew he added more kilns and now has four of them.

Avery's business now includes



There was a good turnout for Avery Earwood's presentation in February. In the bottom photo, Kerry described the plans for the March meetings. (photos: Roy Brookhart)

custom milling, wild edge slabs, fireplace mantels and kitchen counters. About 60% is commission work, 30% is milling and 10% woodworking.

Wild Edge Woodcraft is located at Serenity Meadows Farm, 1715 Berea Road, Rougemont, NC. Avery's phone number is (919) 808-7172. The website is:

www.wildedgewoodcraft.com.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

In February, Armin Goetsch, Daniel Bradford, and Matthew Morrison joined TWA! Armin and Matthew will be joining us for the Tom McLaughlin chairmaking presentation also. Please welcome them when you meet them on-line or in person.

Barton Meeks, Membership Committee

SPECIAL NOTICE FROM ROCKLER

The trouble-making computer at Rockler will be automatically deleting guild and club member's affiliations in March. That means that you won't automatically get your discount. The next time you are in the store, please remember to let them know that you are a Triangle Woodworkers Association member and they will flip the switch in the computer and you will receive the appropriate discount.

THANK YOU TO OUR MEMBERS

TWA would like to thank members who provide donations to the club or the Toys for Tots fund. The following members made a generous donation to the club or the Toys for Tots fund within the club in the last month.

- Rod Branken
- Joe Sabo

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

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

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

TREASURER'S REPORT (JANUARY)

Beginning Balance: \$15,025.72

Income: \$2,164.87

Expense: \$39.29

Ending Balance: \$17,151.30

Does not include Petty Cash of \$86.00.

Submitted by Jack Kite, Treasurer

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