

Knothole News

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Greetings fellow woodworkers. Well, it looks like it will not be a good plan to have a meeting this month (and probably not in June either, but we'll wait to see) and I can say that I really miss that. I hope all of you had a chance to get some "show & tell" to Mike for this issue as I really want to see what everyone has been up to. I know that Gregg has been working on a batch of cars for "Toys for Tots" and encourage everyone to be thinking about that Club project and how we can each participate. I do have some of the Lindenwood that

Gregg used for his cars and although not glued up, I have some available.

I don't know whether the Woodcarvers' show is still on for June 19-20th and I don't know that such a gathering will be really safe for us. Please let me know by phone or email (918-492-8481 or William.nay@cox.net) if you think you would be willing to man a Club sponsored table. (continued on page 2)

My thanks to all of you who submitted photos and storylines for the Knothole News.

This edition showcases your creativity, skills, and fine craftsmanship.

(Mike Ruttgen)

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President's Message (continued)

We have until later this month to reserve our space and need to know in the event it is held, whether we can have coverage for it. We would need at least one person there at all times.

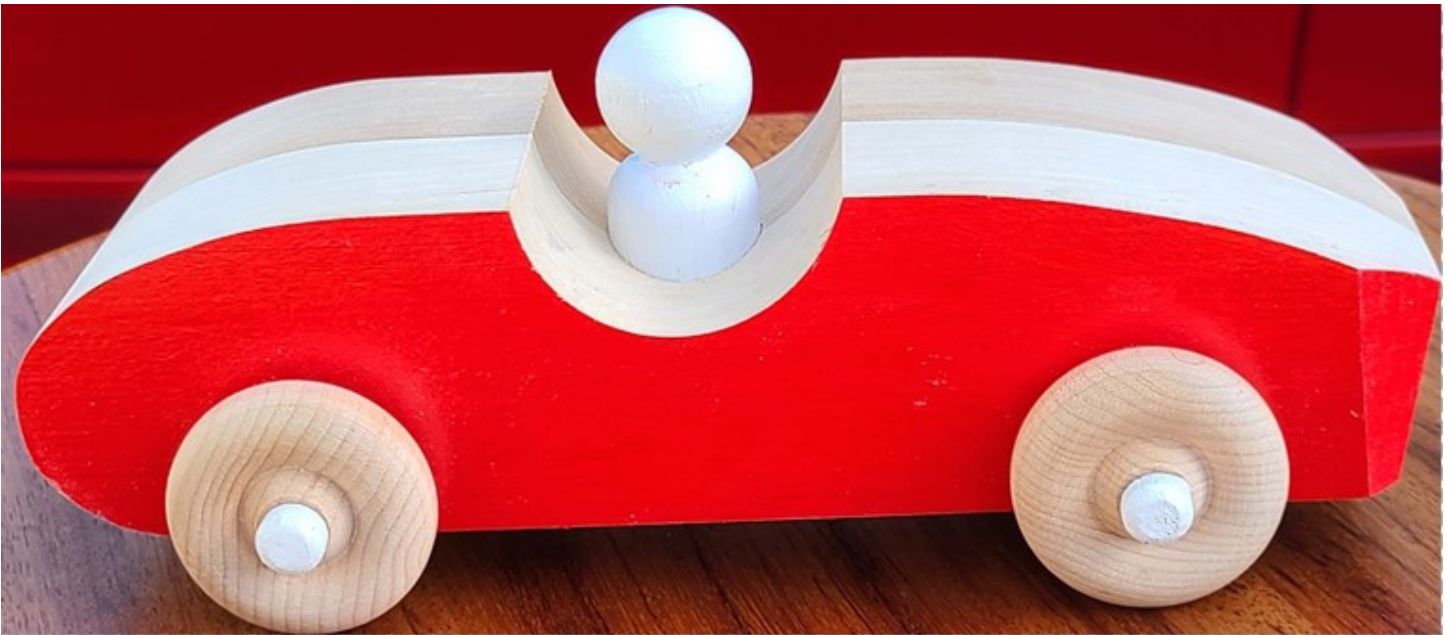
The thought of wearing my dust mask to Reasor's never entered my mind until very recently. Wish that I had been a visionary and restocked earlier this year. But, who knew that we would be looking for safety measures against things other than wood dust and finish fumes! I am thankful to have the distraction of working in the shop. Please stay safe and I so look forward to the time when we can gather again.

Bill Nay, President

Hosts for Upcoming Meetings

January	TBD
February	TBD
March	TBD
April	TBD
May	TBD
June	Gregg Zumwalt
July	Robert Rothenbucher
August	TBD
September	TBD
October	TBD
November	TBD
December	Christmas Party

Photos Submitted by Members



Just finished my 1st Toys for Tots 2020 car. Only 105 more to assemble. Anyone that needs some sticks of Lindenwood that I glued up for the cars just let me know. I still have 28 sticks 1" x 2" x 36" left.
(Gregg Zumwalt)



World's best tool for deburring small holes such as axle holes for cars. (Gregg Zumwalt)
www.homedepot.com/p/Husky-Deburring-Tool-80-531-111/304583908

Photos Submitted by Member's (continued)



I am in the process of making about six large and heavy trucks. I do not have the wheels or axles, but they are on order.

(Robert Karl Rothenbucher)

My family and friends enjoy playing card games like Spades, Hearts, Pitch, etc. Here is my prototype box made out of walnut for our "cardominoes" (www.dominoes.com/dominoes/cardominoes).

I cut brown "foam sheet" for the inside and outside bottoms.

I'll make more boxes out of Canarywood later this year for Christmas gifts.
(Mike Ruttgen)



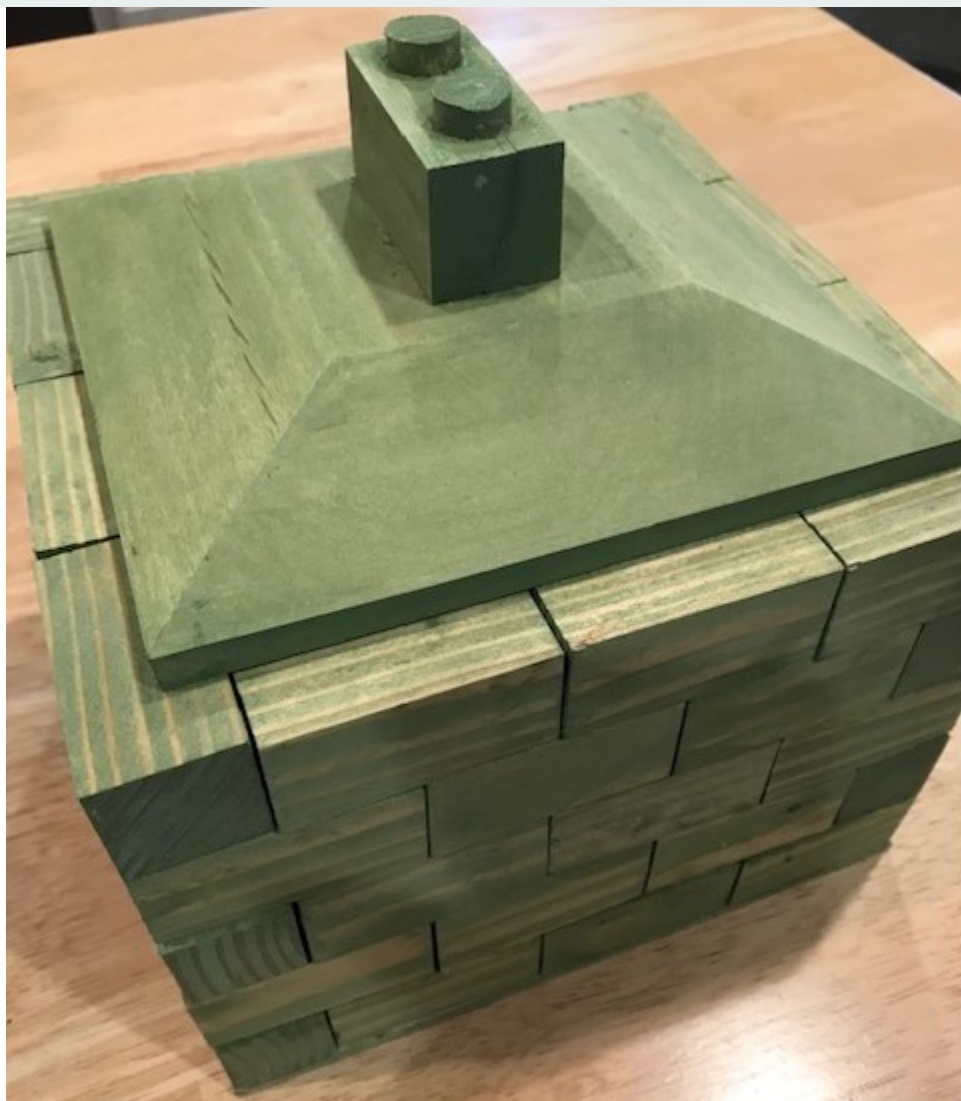
Photos Submitted by Members (continued)



Last week my wife noticed Blue Birds sitting on our fence. Hence instructions to immediately construct housing, as they obviously liked the neighborhood. To the shop, found a couple of patterns on the internet, some nice cedar (thanks to Harold Blalock) glued up some pieces to have 5 1/2" wide stock and cut the four sides, top and the bottom. Then drilled the front entrance, figured out how to hinge the front to open for cleaning. Glued it up with Titebond III, took it home for approval and left it on a patio table. The Birds returned and checked it out. Put a quick spray coat of black paint on an old fence post (tree stake) and cut dados in a couple of 2x to make a backing that I screwed together to surround the post and mounted the house. The Birds checked that out and move in about an hour after I finished the installation. They apparently had pre-qualified for the mortgage!
(Bill Nay)

Photos Submitted by Members (continued)

I made a few Beads of Courage boxes out of wooden legos blocks. My idea was to make the LEGO blocks so that the kids could assemble them. So I made "kits" with a top, bottom, legs and a wooden hammer. They should enjoy building their box and using it!
(Vinton Knarr)



A recently completed Backgammon board.
(Vinton Knarr)



Photos Submitted by Members (continued)

I had been meaning to build a drill press table for a long time but got a request for TV trays from my daughter. This caused me to stop procrastinating so that I could drill precise and consistent holes for the tray handles.

I made some TV trays out of white oak. Weaving the oak strips (1/16" thick x 1" wide) was a challenge but worth it for the appearance. I will use Linseed oil for the strips and Polyurethane for the frame.

I soaked the strips in water to make them pliable enough to weave instead of breaking. Once woven, dry and end-glued, they are very sturdy. I plan to get some plexiglass cut to set on top of the strips to protect the wood and also create a level surface to sit things on.
(Ray Hucek)



Photos Submitted by Members (continued)

I am still working daily. The USPS is still running normal. In my spare time, I have been cleaning out the garage to set up my work space. I have built a "Makers Cart". It has 8 shelves that can store various small projects as I am working on them. The current project can be moved to the top for easy access while working it.

The photo (on the right) shows my current pens in the glue up stage. (Arthur Barber)



So, the kids (ok, they are in their 40's and she was my daughter's college roommate) next door gave me a 10' rough cedar 2x6 left over from a home repair job. I made this garden bench for them.
(Bill Nay)



Photos Submitted by Members (continued)

I found the plans for this “Greene and Greene -Styled Side Table” in Woodworker’s Journal, Oct 2008. If you go to the magazine’s website, the plans can be downloaded. Joinery used was dowels and all pieces are interlocked making it a solidly built end-table. The walnut was finished with Danish Oil and wipe-on polyurethane by Minwax. Bill Nay gave me a helping hand by using his square-chisel mortising tool to make the 18 plug holes. (Earle Smith)



I could not be happier with the upgrade to my recently acquired 1940’s vintage drill press. I replaced the traditional, double-nut, depth stop, which took “forever” to screw up and down, with a push-button, slide-adjust nut.

I unscrewed the original depth rod which revealed a 3/8” hole for the bolt, ordered the push-button nut and then bought the 16 TPI bolt and cut it to length.

I sourced the push-button nut from www.mcmaster.com/push-button-nuts/ (Mike Ruttgen)

As Dakota Hardwoods is up in my “neck of the woods”, I stopped by to take a few photos, check out their inventory and talk with their GM, Mr. Jim Beers.

Their core customer base is cabinetry, mill works and home builders. And their inventory reflects what those companies need, namely all types of sheet goods and the associated glues, hardware, fasteners and tools. I think you would be hard pressed to not find the sheet goods you want to buy in various thicknesses and most all common hardwood veneers.

They also have a large inventory of domestic hardwoods including oak, walnut, hard and soft maple, alder, Spanish cedar, cypress, hickory, cherry, basswood, ash, beech, mahogany and poplar.



They have a cross-cut saw to shorten longer boards, but they do not have a panel saw yet for sheet goods.

In time (a) imported hardwoods will be stocked and (b) retail corridors will be sectioned off in the warehouse so that customer can select their boards.

You will need to stop by or call for specific availability and pricing.

(Mike Ruttgen)



GREEN COUNTRY WOOD- WORKERS

The Green Country Woodworkers are made up of men and women who are interested in woodworking as a hobby.

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The monthly meetings are conducted as educational forums for the benefit of our members and guests. We have idea exchanges, problem solving sessions, safety tips and tool tips plus a main speaker on topics related to woodworking in all its phases.

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The club sponsors community service projects such as making Toys for Tots at Christmas and supporting Beads of Courage by turning bowls and making boxes for children undergoing cancer treatment at Children Hospital at Saint Francis. The containers hold the children's beads. The beads represent their treatment progress.

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OBJECTIVES

- To provide the Knothole News, a monthly newsletter
- To promote woodworking and participate in woodworking and craft shows to inform the public of club activities
- To make wooden toys which are donated to selected organizations throughout the year
- Monthly Show & Tell; all items entered in the show and tell will be presented to the membership by the builder

Membership applications are available at each meeting from the club secretary or treasurer. At this time, no membership fee is charged.

MEETINGS

The club meets on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30PM, typically at a designated member's shop. The upcoming location and topic are published in advance in the Knothole News.

We also have a monthly dinner/social on the 4th Thursday of the month at 6:00PM; the location is determined during the regular monthly meeting.

WWW.GREENCOUNTRYWOODWORKERS.ORG

Please be sure to check out our new web site for more information about the organization, past Knothole News publications, pictures, resources, etc.

