

Knothole News

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Wood is universally beautiful to man. It is the most humanly intimate of all materials.

Frank Lloyd Wright

Our club has reached a major milestone — the 400th edition of our newsletter! What an incredible achievement!

To our long-time members who have been part of this journey for so many years — congratulations! Your dedication and passion have helped shape something truly special.

And to all of us — past, present, and future — we are part of something enduring. This club connects us through a shared love of something that has been cherished since the earliest days of human creativity. Just think about that! What a powerful connection across time and generations.

Here's to many more editions and the timeless joy we share!

This month's meeting will be at Earles shop to do our annual Toys 4 Tots group build. We will start around 5:00 to do the final assembly steps on some toy concrete trucks and assist on assembly of any other projects needed. We will break for pizza around 6:30.

Hope to see you there!!!

Vinton Knarr

THIS MONTH'S MEETING

Thursday, November 13, 2024 @ 5:00 PM

Earle Smiths shop

7115 East Jackson Place, Broken Arrow

Toy Build at Earl's

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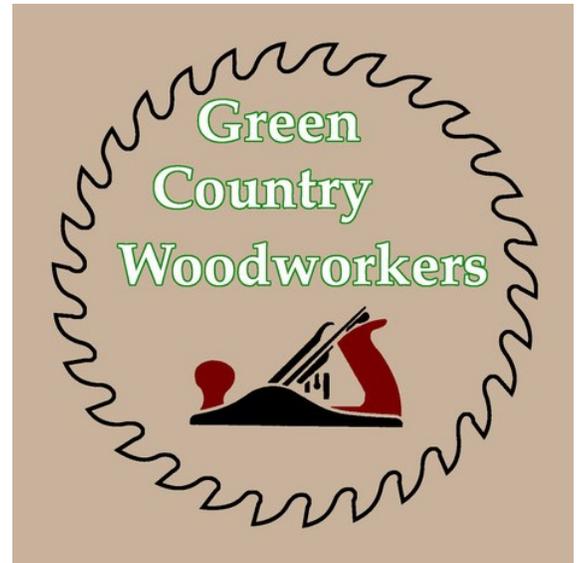
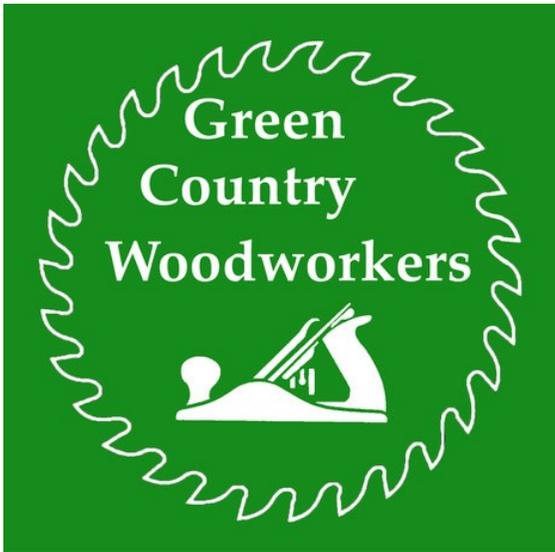
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Club T-Shirts and Hats for sale



We had a order sheet at the last meeting to see who is interested in ordering T-Shirts and Hats.

We have to purchase a minimum of 24 shirts and a minimum of 12 hats to get the pricing we have been given.

GCWW T-Shirt: Size Small to 2XL are **\$15 each**. 3XL and 4XL are \$18 Each.

Shirt will be a Beefy-T brand. Green in color with white ink.

GCWW Hats: **\$25 each**

Hat will be a 5 Panel hat with adjustable size band. Tan in color with multi-color stitching for the logo.

We need members to order ASAP so we can go forward with the purchase.

We have the following quality orders so far. T-Shirts: 11, Hats: 6

Thanks,

Arthur Barber

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Minutes from Last Month's Meeting

The GCWW club met on 10/9/25 at the Hardesty Regional library. In attendance were Vinton Knarr, Arthur Barber, Mike Ruttgen, Jeff Reinhart, Marc and Lisa Morgan, Gary Smith, Robert Karl Rothenbucher, Josh Saran, Joshua Lee, and Bill Morgan.

Vinton called the meeting to order, introduced the guests and asked everyone to briefly discuss the kind of wood work they've done. He also presented the new people with one of the wooden puzzles he makes.

SHOW AND TELL:

For this month's "cool tool " Vinton showed a magnet held feather board that he uses on his table saw.

Robert Karl showed a "kerf maker" which is a simple tool which is used to set up the width of the groove cut for a tongue & groove joint. He and Vinton got together and made one of the devices for each of the club members

Mike Ruttgen showed a storage box he made for a double nine domino set.

Marc and Lisa Morgan have continued to develop their woodworking operation at their home near Grand Lake. They brought in several samples of some of the products that they're making and selling at craft shows.

They use a CNC router to make the patterns and then fill in the grooves with epoxy of different colors.

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GLUEING WOOD:

Most woodworking projects require at least a few glue joints. Vinton showed a very well done YouTube video on wood glue.

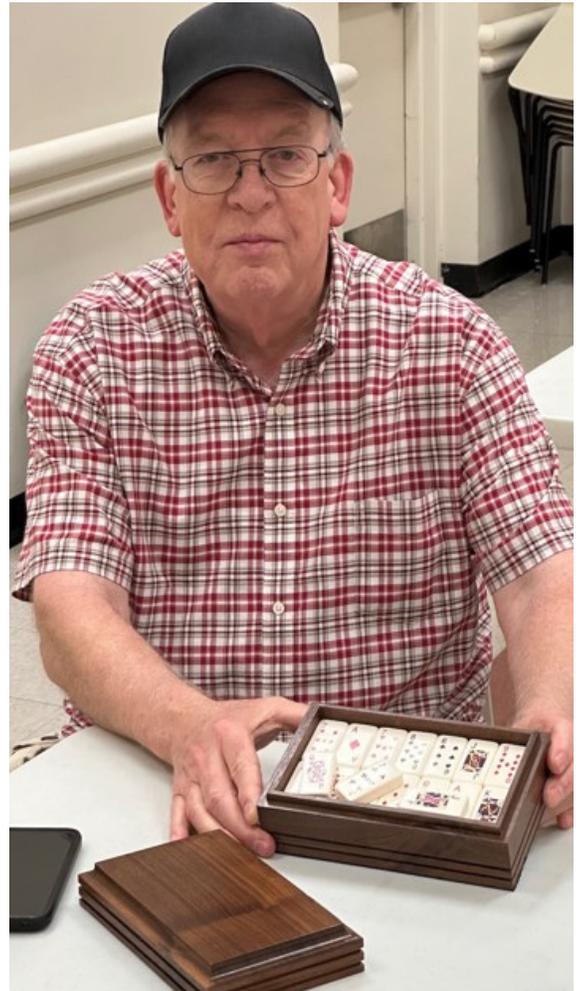
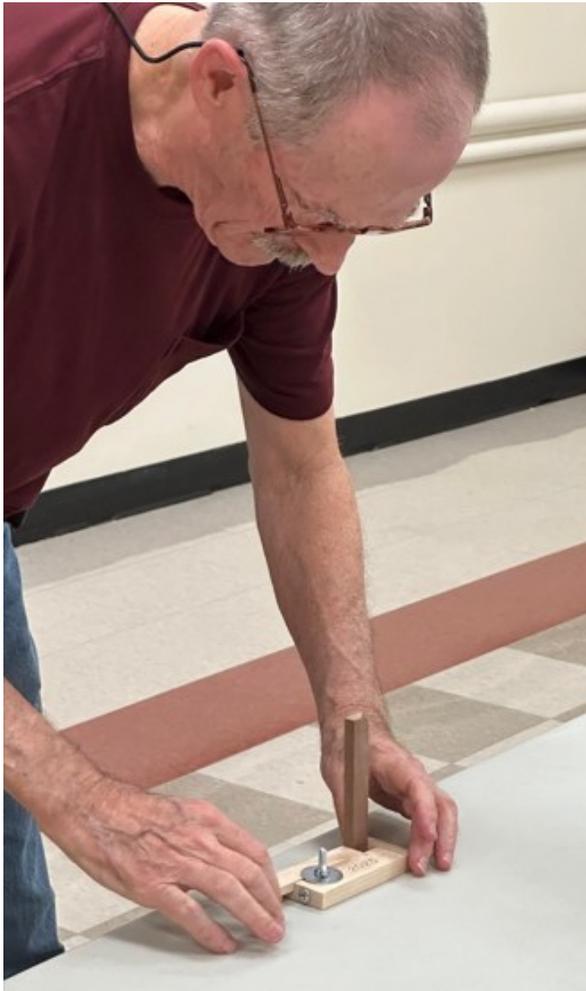
Essentially it described the various Titebond glues available and how and when they should be used.

The presenter discussed which type is recommended for different conditions and how the open time, cure time, and resulting color vary between each one.

The video included a panel glue up and provided some recommendations on clamping and clamping pressures.

Included was a discussion of glue shelf life and some guidelines on deciding whether to pitch or try to use that old partial bottle you'd forgotten you had.

Photos from Last Month's Meeting



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Holiday Ideas

Popular now



Etsy's Pick



“APRICOT” from www.wood-database.com



Common Name(s): Apricot

Scientific Name: *Prunus armeniaca*

Distribution: Native to eastern Europe and Asia; planted worldwide

Tree Size: 20-40 ft (6-12 m) tall, 1-1.5 ft (.3-.4 m) trunk diameter

Average Dried Weight: 46 lbs/ft³ (745 kg/m³)

Specific Gravity (Basic, 12% MC): .58, .74

Janka Hardness: 1,390 lbf (6,200 N)*

***Estimated hardness** based on specific gravity

Modulus of Rupture: No data available

Elastic Modulus: No data available

Crushing Strength: No data available

Shrinkage: No data available

Color/Appearance: Heartwood is light brown, sometimes with a reddish or orangish cast. Darker brown streaks are common. Sapwood is generally thin, and is slightly paler than heartwood.

Grain/Texture: Fine even texture with moderate natural luster.

Endgrain: Semi-ring-porous; solitary and radial multiples; medium to small pores sometimes arranged in broken earlywood rows, very numerous; mineral/gum deposits occasionally present; parenchyma not visible; medium to large rays, spacing normal.

Rot Resistance: No data available.

Workability: Areas with straight and clear grain are easy to work with hand or machine tools. Care must be taken when surfacing irregular grain or knots to avoid tearout. Apricot glues, turns, and finishes well.

Odor: No characteristic odor.

Allergies/Toxicity: Besides the standard health risks associated with any type of wood dust, no further health reactions have been associated with Apricot. See the articles Wood Allergies and Toxicity and Wood Dust Safety for more information.

Pricing/Availability: Not commercially available in lumber form due to very small tree sizes, Apricot is most commonly seen among hobbyists and other small specialty woodworkers and related retailers. Most commonly sold in turning blanks or other small sections. Prices are likely to be high for a domestic wood.

Sustainability: This wood species is not listed in the CITES Appendices or on the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species.

Common Uses: Turned objects, musical instruments, carvings, and knife handles.

Comments: Although Apricot is related to Cherry (*Prunus* genus), it tends to be heavier and harder than Cherry, and much more scarce. Sizes are very limited, so Apricot tends to be assigned primarily to smaller, more decorative purposes.

MEETING LOCATION

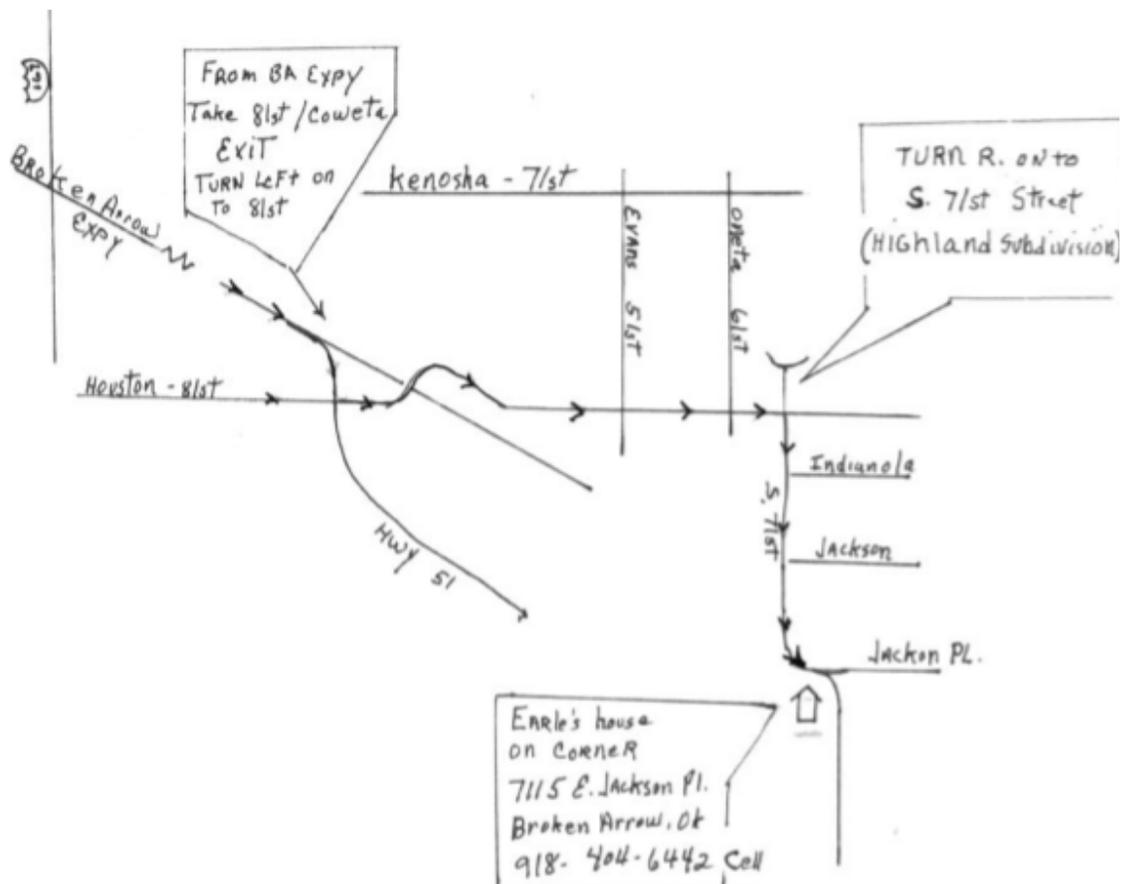


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Shop

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GREEN COUNTRY WOODWORKERS

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

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.

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 at Hardesty Regional Library.

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.

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

