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### WELCOME

North Texas Woodworkers Association November 21, 2023

President Bodie Pyndus welcomed everyone, and introduced the officers.

#### **TREASURY REPORT** (\$4,824 current bank balance)

#### MEMBERSHIP 107 members.

A Membership List was passed around to alert members of any outstanding dues, or if their personal information needed to be updated.

#### **TABLE MIXER TOPIC**

What are the top 10 things a woodworker should learn in shop class?

### SKETCH-UP

We are looking for someone who can lead a SketchUp workshop for members of the NTWA! If you (or someone you know) would be willing to lead a workshop, please reach out to Josh: programs@ntwa.org

### FEBRUARY CHALLENGE

Bodie announced that our February Build Challenge will be a **Beads of Courage Box Build!** We were able to contribute 24 boxes in the past, and would love to have even more for 2024! The minimum size requirments for each box are: 6"x6"x4."

More information will be shared at our next meeting.

#### **GUESTS**

We had a number of guests joining us at this month's meeting:

- Jay from Allen, TX
- Joe from The Colony, TX
- Greg from Plano, TX
- Brady from Little Elm, TX

### **SHOP QUESTIONS**

- Member trying to figure out the best way to lift/change the wheel on a 600-lb planer.

- Member looking to connect with anyone with Flexible Plywood experience.

- Member looking for help with a Combination Beading Plane.

- Member asking for opinions on using thin curve table saw blade.

### **TOOL REVIEW**

- Gary Turman discussed JessEm 07150 Mite-R-Excel II Miter Gauge with Micro Adjuster

- Member suggested "GoingMake" Tools. A brand that is made in China, but comparable to Woodpecker tools at a fraction of the cost!



# **RAFFLE DRAWING**

### WINNERS





Woodcraft and Rockler donated the items for this months raffle!

### **Gluing Your Projects!**

#### Matchfit Dovetail Clamps

Silicone Project Mat

3 pc. Silicone Glue Set

Silicone Project Tray

Silicone Glue Keeper

5-inch Glue Roller with Silicone Rest









\*Don't forget to bring CASH to enter our monthly raffle! And remember, every ticket you buy gets you TWO CHANCES TO WIN, your ticket(s) go into the pot for that month's raffle AND they are saved to go into the pot for the big drawing for the portable Sawstop!



NTWA Newsletter is published monthly for the members of NTWA. Digital archives are available at ntwa.org.

The primary purpose of the NTWA is to promote the craft of woodworking, and assist in the improvement of the member's skills and abilities at all levels of experience. This is accomplished by seminars, workshops, demonstrations sharing of information about woodworking techniques, tools, sources for supplies, and networking with other members. Our members have a "pride of belonging" to our community.

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### WE'VE GOT MERCH!



### NTWA White Polo Shirts are \$38 NTWA Hats are \$23. Pick yours up at the next meeting!

### **CLUB MEETINGS**

December 19, 2023 7:00 pm January 16, 2024 7:00 pm February 20, 2024 7:00 pm March 19, 2024 7:00 pm April 16, 2024 7:00 pm

### HOLIDAY PARTY December 19, 2023

Everyone is welcome to bring their spouse. Please make sure to sign-up for an item to bring for the potluck!

Sign-up for the Potluck!





Brian O'Donnell shared two 3D-designed cutting boards that he made out of Cherry and Paduk. He also showed us a shop project from Highschool (from 40 years ago!): A wood stool made with cottonwood and sealed with linseed oil. Phillip Weber created this cabinet from Cherry wood he got from a friend that does Oil Rig Drill Shipping. He uses it at home for storage, and his kids like to hide candy in there!





Mike McAleer shared with the group a solid Walnut box that he made!



Jay Stearns shared with us his entry for the State Fair of Texas this year that came in 2nd place in its category: At the Midway! Mikel Duke shared a scroll saw tractor that he made for his nephew for Christmas, along with an intarsia wreath that he found a pattern for in a Scroll Saw magazine.





Corey Newman took a class in Illinois two years ago and learned how to make this set of planes, which are made out of Beech wood.



Gary Turman showed us his first attempt at a Bandsaw Box! This Owl box has one coat of Danish Walnut finish; The eyes and bowtie are made with Maple, and the beak is crafted of Bodark.

Joe shared with us a cutting board that he made with Walnut, Maple, Zebrawood and Bubinga.

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Dave Cassman created two boxes that he shared with us. One was crafted with Birsdeye Maple, and the second was with Zebrawood.





Susan Walters showed us a crystal resin ornament that showcases a cardinal made with Padauk.

Bodie Pyndus made these two reindeer with a bandsaw! One is made from Oak, and the other is Maple. They have walnut hooves and antlers and Padauk is used for rudolph's nose.





Gary Vaughn created a beautiful texasthemed display for his son's knife, so he can enjoy it on his desk. It is made from Mesquite, Holly and Maple.

Ed Mastin shared this diagonal-designed cutting board that he created!



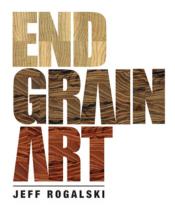
## Program

### End Grain Art- Jeff Rogalski

eff combines his disciplined, problem-solving approach to the creative process with his expertise in woodworking, which developed his unique art form that features the end grain of exotic hardwoods. Like the artist who paints with oils, he paints with wood and the vast selection of hardwood species from around the world with their remarkable and distinctive patterns, colors and configurations.

As his woodworking skills developed, his cutting boards began to look more like works of art. In this process, he saw the opportunity to introduce the world to the intricate, natural beauty of the striations in the growth rings – or end grain – where each hardwood species gracefully displays its own distinctive color and characteristic "fingerprint".

Exotics like Bubinga, Padauk, Purple Heart, Wenge, Yellow Heart, Zebrawood, Nogal, Sapele, Lacewood offer a tasty assortment of visual flavors to the artist's palette. Most of the world has never seen the beauty hidden in the end grain, much less has known that such beauty,



especially in exotic hardwoods, even exists! Thus, the birthing of EndGrainArt!

Creating art is a spiritual experience allowing the infinite creativity of the divine in each of us to express our irresistible impulse to create something beautiful.

To learn more, visit his website: <u>https://endgrainart.com/</u>





TEX MIX brazilian walnut frame; hard maple background; mix: padauk, walnut, wenge, bubinga, purple heart, nogal, white oak, muvingui, african mahogar, cherry, sapele 27 1/2\* x27 1/2\* x1 1/4\*

# **GIVING BACK**

### Beads of Courage

Beads of Courage is a supportive care program for children coping with serious illness. The participating children receive a colorful bead for each illness-related experience they have, serving as symbols of the courage each child shows throughout arduous their treatment. critical milestones in For their treatment journey they receive handmade one-ofa-kind glass beads that are donated by members of the International Society of Glass Beadmakers.

Our role as woodworkers is a simple one: to create and donate wooden boxes for these children to keep their treasured beads in. As they endure their arduous treatment process, the children gain strength and courage from these tangible symbols of the love and support of the community around them. What better purpose could we find as woodworkers?

The NTWA has sponsored an annual box building for Beads of Courage since its adoption in 2019.



The NTWA has donated more than 150 boxes to the BOC participating hospitals. Check out the video on our Facebook Page to learn more about these meaningful boxes!

Contact Bodie Pyndus (president@ntwa.org) for more information.

### Make your moments matter more.

Beads of Courage helps children coping with cancer and other serious illnesses RECORD, TELL and OWN their stories of courage.

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# WORKSHOPS & SKILL BUILDING

### Workshops & Skill Building

Workshop #1: Joinery - Mortise & Tenon

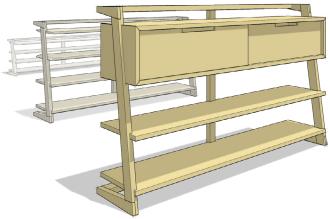
Workshop #2: How to make tapered legs/ tapered leg jig (this may be combined or separate workshops)

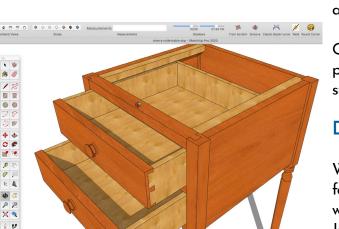
Workshop #3: How to make profiled edges on tops

Workshop #4: How to make decorative aprons for tables









# SketchUp

SketchUp is a 3D modeling software that is particularly beneficial to woodworkers. It allows users to create detailed 3D models of woodworking projects, providing a virtual environment for planning and visualizing designs before actual construction.

Overall, SketchUp streamlines the design and planning phases for woodworkers, contributing to more efficient and successful woodworking projects.

### Do you have experience with Sketchup?

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# NTWA MEMBER PORTAL

**STEP 1** 

improve their woodworking skills.

The primary purpose of the NTWA is to and abilities at all levels of experience.

woodworking techniques, tools, source

**STEP 2** 

**STEP 3** 

### **Not Sure** How To Sign-Up?

- Go to: https://ntwa.org/
- Select "Member Log in"
- Select "Register"
- Fill out your information
- Click "Register"
- Webmaster will confirm your Membership and approve your account!

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### NTWA Membership Benefits

The annual dues are \$36 and entitle members to vote on all business, attend meetings, hold office, participate in the monthly raffles and receive discounts from retailers offered to members.

Membership benefits include access to our library of woodworking books and DVD's.

### **Education**

As a member of the NTWA, you are entitled to participate in any demonstrations and instructional sessions. These sessions may be offered weekly or monthly as skill building workshops. Each monthly meeting has a session for Shop Questions as well as Tool Reviews, both provide excellent learning opportunities.

### **Member Discounts**

Members may receive a 10% discount on select items when you show your membership card at the following shops:

> Woodcraft in Plano Rockler Wood World

Membership forms can be completed at any meeting, or you can download a membership form to bring to any meeting. If you have a PayPal account you can log into it and select dues@NTWA.org to forward a payment.

#### Make checks payable to: North Texas Woodworker's Assoc.

North Texas Woodworkers Association 8204 Strecker Ln. Plano, TX 75025



### **MONTHLY MEETINGS**

Meetings are held monthly at 7:00 PM at Haggrard Party Barn. The meetings are on the third Tuesday of each month. These meetings consist of a show and tell of completed work, a time for socializing and networking, and a monthly presentation by guest speaker from the woodworking community as well as members. Shop Questions is the time to get your puzzling questions answered. This is followed by a Tool Review session.

Prospective members are encouraged to attend a meeting in advance of joining to see if the NTWA is a fit for them.

To find out more about our organization see our Club Information page.

> Haggard Party Barn 5948 McKamy Trail, Plano TX, 75024