

# PLANE TALK

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On August 27, 2020, the NV Woodchuck's TNT SIG received a certificate of appreciation for crafting and donating two flag stands to the Northern NV Veterans Memorial Cemetery for use in the administrative building conference room. The flag stands, with flags, will be permanently displayed in the glass enclosed conference room where all visitors may view them. The certificate was signed by the cemetery superintendent and the president of the NV Veterans Coalition. From left to right in the photo are: Rick Rose (NVC vice president), Brett Palmer (NVC president), Mary Sedgwick (NVC bugler and Woodchuck member), and Woodchuck TNT SIG members: Tom Doud, Ed Campau, and Christian Ziegler. The Cemetery superintendent was not available when the TNT SIG visited the cemetery and later attended the Unaccompanied Service (a military service that is open to the public and held the 4th Thursday of each month at 1500 hours or 3pm).



# WOODLORE

By Pat Ekedahl

As the finest of the pines available in volume today, this wood has all the excellent working qualities. It can be cut and shaped by hand as well as with power tools, but because of its texture, it doesn't split readily.

Exploring the headwaters of the Missouri River in 1804, the Lewis and Clark expedition sighted towering stands of trees, more majestic than any they'd known before. Twenty years later, the English botanist David Douglas discovered these same trees growing along the Spokane River in what is now Washington state. Because of their ponderous dimensions and comparative heaviness of the wood for pine, he named them "Ponderosa".

Montana's State Tree  
With needles up to 10" long and  
6" long pine cones

Indians wove the needles into baskets and jewelry. Ranchers felled it for barns and bunkhouses. On July 4th, 1876, Arizona lumberjacks stripped branches from the tallest ponderosa they could find, and hoisted the American flag in celebration of the nation's centennial—That's how the town of Flagstaff got its name.



'Till next month - Pat

*Some of the information came from the June 1986 issue of Wood Magazine*

## Raffle Prize Donation List for 2020

Please check the Raffle Prize List for your name. The donation of a Raffle Prize helps to generate income for the club, a little each month. It is a small part that everyone is asked to do.

***Thanks to everyone for your support!***

### October (Maybe)

Philip Butler  
Wayne Gifford  
Dave Hunter  
Kirk Nichols  
Tim Rockey  
Len Taylor  
Sandy Yarmolich

### November (Perhaps)

Tom Mattis  
Tom Doud  
Ed Campeau  
Russ Lambert  
Steve Bloomfield  
Shirley Gilletti  
Paul Volpp

### December

See January  
Because that's  
When we may  
Possibly have the  
Annual Holiday  
Party and Election  
Of Officers. Perhaps.

## On-line Shop Safety Test:

All our **new** members **must** complete the **on-line** Shop Safety Test. In order to take any classes or participate in any of the Woodchuck SIG's, ***this Shop Safety Test is a requirement.***

**After completing the Application Form and paying your membership dues, you will receive an acknowledgement e-mail that includes the password. You can then take the test.**

To take the test, go to the members only section of the webpage and click on the link to the safety test. It will ask you for an e-mail and your name. Take the test and it will e-mail the results and the correct answers (if you missed any) back to you.

Example: go to [www.nevadawoodchucks.org](http://www.nevadawoodchucks.org) select **Members Only**, **enter password**, select **Safety Test**

## **Woodchuck Logo Wear Items**

*Prices include one small 'Woodchuck' embroidered logo.*

<u>Items</u>			
Baseball Cap	\$ 9.00	Baseball Cap name on back)	\$11.00
T-shirt (gray or tan)	13.00	T-shirt with pocket (gray or tan)	14.00
Bibbed Apron	17.00	Wood Turner Smock	65.00
Hoodies with zipper	50.00	Pullover Sweatshirt	28.00
Winter Jacket	60.00	Light-weight Jacket	65.00

### Add-on's:

Add your 'name' on item = \$6.00      Larger logo on back of jackets & sweatshirts = \$30.00  
 Sizes 2X and larger are \$1.00 per 'X'

**Contact Terry Plys @ 775.219.4381**

**Thank You for the Items and Time you Donate to our Club**

- Sparks Tribune: **Paper rolls** Desert Brushes **Painted Cradles**
- Victory Woodworks **Wood** Sierra Nevada Decorative Artists **Painted Cradles**

**Thank You to these Businesses who Support the Nevada Woodchucks**

- Master Craft: 1460 Linda Way Sparks 356-1772
- Apex Saw 570 Kietzke Ln. Reno 329-3076
- Woodworking Source 9736 S. Virginia Reno 624-9174



*"This program/project was supported, in part, by the Nevada Arts Council, a state agency, which receives support from the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency."*



**Woodshop Safety**

- **Always Wear Safety Equipment**, i.e. ear protection, eye protection, latex gloves for finishing.
- **Wear The Right Clothes** - The problem with wearing baggy or loose clothes is the very high chance that a part of them might get caught in a cutting head or saw blade.
- **Avoid Using Anything That Can Impair Your Reaction Time and Judgement** - alcohol
- **Disconnect Power** - disconnect the power source itself before changing blades or bits on your power tools.
- **Use A Single Extension Cord** - Too many cords can get confusing and be a tripping hazard.
- **Never Use Blunt Blades & Bits** - Dull tools will need to be made to work harder to cut and as a result can bind or kick back.
- **Check Stock for Existing Metal** - Spinning blades and nails (and other pieces of metal) don't mix well together causing damage to both the stock and the cutting head or the operator.
- **Work Against The Cutter** - You need to ensure that the blade or router bit cuts against the motion of the wood instead of with it.
- **Never Reach Over A Running Blade** - Always wait until a spinning blade has stopped moving before reaching to remove waste or cut-offs etc. Be on the safe side, use a push stick for removal.
- **Minimize Distractions** - When dealing with distractions, you want to ensure that you finish what you were doing (finishing a cut, especially when working with a power tool) before turning your attention elsewhere. Save your conversations until everything has stopped moving.

## Lathe Sig

**When:** Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>

**Where:** Clubhouse, 6:30pm in the Lathe Corner

### For October's Lathe Sig we'll be making a turned tulip flower



What? You didn't know flowers had lips? This one has four. Some have curved lips while others have straight lips. The lips are up to you. Have fun turning.

For "Show and Tell", bring in your latest project and show us what you've turned.

**Contacts:** Russ Lambert - 359-4554, Tom Doud – 233-5585

## Scroll Saw SIG Meeting

**We're going to meet once again!  
Saturday, October 17th from 1PM 'till 3PM or so**



Finally, we're going to uncover the scroll saws and put them to work. Available for scrolling will be dragons and possibly some bats (just in time for Halloween). Also, to decorate your favorite holiday bush, there will be 3D ornaments available.

*Contact:* Jerry Alterman (775)224-5396 [jpalterman@att.net](mailto:jpalterman@att.net)

## Carving SIG Meeting

**We'll pass the word when we can meet again**

**Contact:** Paul Volpp 853-3432 or [renowoodcarvers.org](http://renowoodcarvers.org)



## Toy SIG Meeting

### September meetings

**Wednesdays Oct. 14th & 28th, 10:00 - 1:00. Bring lunch & social distance.**  
**Saturday's Oct. 10th & 24th: 9:00 - Noon**

**Where: At the Clubhouse**

We are up to 880 completed toys as of mid-September, with many more in the works. Members continue to bring in toys made or completed at home, so we Thank You all very much for your participation. Soon we will be working on sticks for the horse heads and fillers for the cradles.

Donnah and John did a Zoom presentation for the Hello group, so our club and Toy Group were represented well to some of their members. They loved our toys. Don't we all?!

**Contacts: Donnah Wenstrom (775) 473-0256 Julia Tachihara (775)826-0825**

## Digital Workshop SIG

The designing stage and construction of a prototype cradle is finished. Soon the DW Sig will begin the construction of cradles for a group that is working with young mothers with small children.

Fusion 360 cad/cam software was used to create the model parts and produce the gcode that controls the CNC (computer numerical control) machine. All parts are milled using a ¼ inch spiral bit. The side joint is like the Knapp joint, used in North American factories between 1871 and 1900. The design on the end is engraved using a 45w co2 laser.

Would you like to know more or be part of the DW SIG? We are learning about laser, CNC operations, and many other digital innovations. Call Ron Flint 224-5318 or [rflint@rflint.net](mailto:rflint@rflint.net) for time and dates. We will meet in my shop as the CNC and laser are located there.



## Tools N Techniques SIG Meeting

(band aids are free)

**When:** To be determined (see below)  
**Where:** Clubhouse

The TNT sig will be leading in the building of planter boxes for the new Veterans Home. The Home Depot is providing all the materials to build six boxes, two of which will go to each wing of the home. Our objective is to build one initially, get final approval from the home, then finish the remaining five. All veterans (as well as anybody else) are encouraged to participate in this worthwhile project. Right now we are waiting on finalization of the Home Depot Grant to fund the project, and when a delivery date is set we will pass the word to the membership.

### TNT Team Contacts:

**Tom Doud 775-233-5585 , Edward Campau 345-2549,  
Bob Dietrich 851-7521, Chris Ziegler 384-1948**

# IF

You have something for sale

Or

Something you would like to see in print

Or

Something special to pass to the Woodchucks

Contact

[Publisher@NevadaWoodchucks.org](mailto:Publisher@NevadaWoodchucks.org)

## NOTICE

Back by popular demand there is a calendar in this issue. However contact your SIG leaders for more information regarding meetings and whatever. And above all... stay safe, wear a mask, even to the bank.

## **Nevada Woodchucks Board of Directors Meeting – September 1st, 2020**

**Attendees** Ron, Jerry, John, Paul, Donnah, Tom, Gene, no Ed or Russ

**Minutes-** Changes... Disenfranchised removed, Kate Bonzer, 6K, Art town All updated and distributed! Motion to approve, Second Motion Carries

**Quarterly Income Expense Report -** Motion to approve Second Motion Carries

**Grants-** Good Meeting with new grant writers - Utilize - COVID strategy, IT Digital Components of club, More Metrics, More emphasis on things other than toys, Hello Project Interest in collaboration - Zoey Harold and Khristin D. looked to be good for us.

**Dues not paid -** 5 left unpaid, Maria Stays on John will call the Rest

**Tools-** Tom - Dust Collector - Terry bought it, the team took it to his house on Saturday.

**Newsletter-** Getting things to Ron and Jerry on time...Understood and was underway.

**Lift for Bandsaw-** Two-person job, Ed, Jerry, and John to work it out.

**SIGs - Toys —** Donnah - 800 toys Should pass 1000

Charities distribution of toys Smaller organizations gets less. The Rest is divided. Cradle Count is around 50-60. Nothing returned from Carson City, Stick Horses - more to be done. Randy is doing well.

**Lathe-** Circular Vase is the next project. More people are showing up, but the numbers are less than we'd like. Possible Saturday Lathe SIG.

**TNT Drive-By -** Lots of ice cream left. Smoke Cleared it out. Pretty good attendance. Need more Pictures.

**Scroll Saw -** TBD - Last event 1.5 people. Possible holiday event starting in October.

**Digital Woodworking-** Paul and Terry for Cradles ok strategy. Carving has not met since COVID Questions? None

**Update -** Toilet is leaking needs to be resealed. Taller toilet to be installed? Home Depot provides a discount ? Paul offered to install.

**Jerry's Vets Home Project -** Home Depot Carson Paperwork submitted. The material list changed redwood to cedar. They will deliver to the clubhouse. Will send a link for Johns's presentation.

**Presentation-** John spoke with Connor about membership. Chair demo recorded and available for meetings.

Johns Powerpoint- Helo Project, Administrative, John went through the various positives of the group. The Toy SIG was the main focus, Lots of toys.

**Rocking Motorcycle as an art project-** We need to emphasize this is our main project. Push back raffle to next year. Motorcycle for the innovation contest, Johns was entering today. Sparks Reno Redevelopment Project.

**Buffalo Creek-** Saturday, Artistic Learning Center, Picking Grapes start from 5 am to 11 am

**Artec-** Maria - Sierra Arts Gallery. Chairs - John and Julia Decorated them.

**End Of Meeting -** 1:16 Elapsed Time.



## Newsletter Deadline!!!

—Please—

Email SIG articles,  
news items, woodworking  
tips, For Sale ads, your favorite  
joke, and/or any good gossip to  
the Newsletter Publisher at:



[Publisher@NevadaWoodchucks.org](mailto:Publisher@NevadaWoodchucks.org)

Or contact: Jerry Alterman  
[nvwoodchuck@gmail.com](mailto:nvwoodchuck@gmail.com)

The DUE DATE is the 20th of the Month!

## Officers

President: Ron Flint 224-5318  
Vice Pres. Jerry Alterman 224-5396  
Secretary: Paul Yarmolich (925) 989-0789  
Treasurer: John Hasenau 356-9123

## Board of Directors

Russ Lambert Bob Dietrich Donnah Wenstrom  
Gene Choquette Edward Campau Tom Doud

## Committee Chairs

Newsletter: Jerry Alterman 775-224-5396  
Webmaster: **Interested?** Contact Ron Flint  
@775-224-5318

## SIG Leaders

Lathe SIG	Tom Doud Russ Lambert	223-5585 359-4554	TNT SIG	Tom Doud Edward Campau Bob Dietrich	233-5585 720-3060 851-7521
Scroll Saw SIG	Jerry Alterman	224-5396	TNT/Hand Tools	Bob Dietrich Edward Campau	851-7521 345-2549
Toy SIG	Donnah Wenstrom Julia Tachihara	473-0256 826-0825	Carving SIG	Paul Volpp	853-3432

## Clubhouse Address

405 Western Rd. #36, Panther Valley

Phone # (775) 241-3872

Board Meetings — 1st Tuesday in the month at 6:30 PM

All interested members are welcome to attend Board Meetings.

General Meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of the month, 7 pm at the clubhouse.

## Item of Interest

The next General Meeting will take place **Thursday, October 8<sup>th</sup>** @**6:30 PM** via Zoom. Since the General Meeting is for all Woodchucks, all members will be sent an invitation. Yes, these meetings are an integral part of our organization and everybody is encouraged to attend. The earlier you join the meeting the better the seating, and don't forget to bring your own refreshments.

Sign-ins are usually available 10 - 15 minutes prior to the start of the meeting.

## October month, days and weeks month



### October is:

- Adopt a Shelter Dog Month
- Apple Jack Month
- Awareness Month
- Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- Clergy Appreciation Month
- Computer Learning Month
- Cookie Month
- Domestic Violence Awareness Month
- International Drum Month
- National Diabetes Month
- National Pizza Month
- National Vegetarian Month
- National Popcorn Popping Month
- Sarcastic Month
- Seafood Month

### Weekly Celebrations:

- Week 1 Get Organized
- Week 1 Customer Service
- Week 2 Fire Prevention
- Week 2 Pet Peeve
- 14 - 20 Earth Sciences
- Week 3 Pastoral Care

### October, 2020 Daily Holidays, Special and Wacky Days:

#### October 1

International Coffee Day  
 International [Day for the Elderly](#) *You may be one*  
 National Homemade Cookies Day

#### October 2

Name Your Car Day  
 World Farm Animals Day

#### October 3

International Frugal Fun Day - first Saturday of the month  
[Virus Appreciation Day](#)

#### October 4

National Frappe Day  
 Oktoberfest in Germany ends, date varies

#### October 5

Do Something Nice Day  
 World Teacher's Day

#### October 6

Physician Assistant Day

#### October 7

Bald and Free Day

#### October 8

American Touch Tag Day  
 Yom Kippur, date varies

#### October 9

Fire Prevention Day  
 Moldy Cheese Day

#### October 10

National Angel Food Cake Day

#### October 11

It's My Party Day

#### October 12

Columbus Day - second Monday of month

Indigenous People Day - second Monday in October

Moment of Frustration Day

#### October 13

International Skeptics Day  
 Sukkot, at sundown, date varies

#### October 14

Be Bald and Free Day  
 National Dessert Day - take an extra helping, or two  
 National Fossil Day - date varies *Some of us?*

#### October 15

White Cane Safety Day

#### October 16

Bosses Day  
 Dictionary Day

#### October 17

National Pasta Day

#### October 18

National Meatloaf Appreciation Day

#### October 19

Evaluate Your Life Day

#### October 20

Brandied Fruit Day

#### October 21

International Nacho Day

National Pumpkin Cheesecake Day find a recipe, too.

#### October 22

National Nut Day

#### October 23

National Mole Day

#### October 24

National Bologna Day

United Nations Day

#### October 25

International Artist Day

*Mother-In-Law Day* - fourth

Sunday in October

World Pasta Day

#### October 26

National Mincemeat Day

#### October 27

Black Cat Day

Navy Day

#### October 28

Plush Animal Lover's Day

#### October 29

National Frankenstein Day

#### October 30

Frankenstein Friday - last Friday in October

National Candy Corn Day

Mischief Night

#### October 31

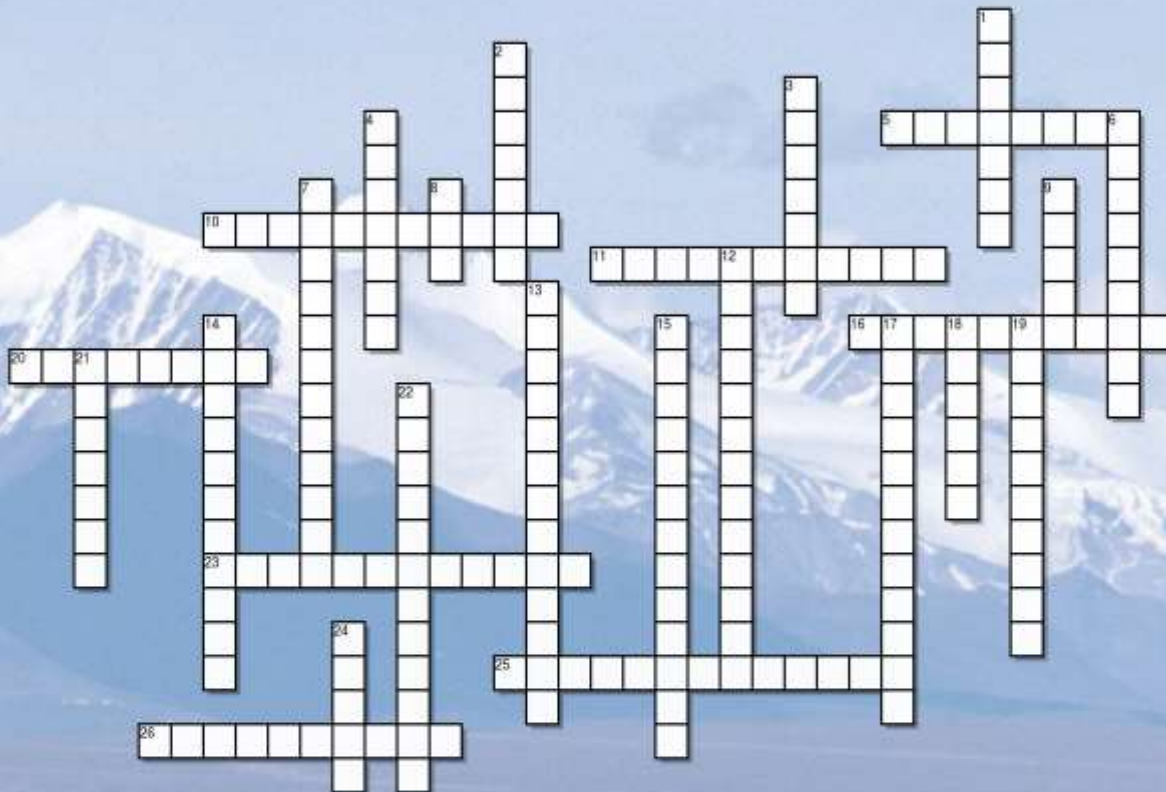
Carve a Pumpkin Day - no surprise here

Halloween

Increase Your Psychic Powers Day

## Shop Tools

Important tools for every shop



### ACROSS

- 5 The workhorse of the shop
- 10 Star and torx are types
- 11 Cut wood using electricity
- 16 Flatten something that's not
- 20 Another name for a dance saw
- 23 Measure the angle of the dangle
- 25 How wet is your wood
- 26 Most basic tool in every household or shop

### DOWN

- 1 Looks a lot like an awl
- 2 Inside/outside measurer

- 3 A real sucker
- 4 Cut without using electricity
- 6 The shops catch-all
- 7 It helps for making smooth and quality cuts
- 8 Named after a dance
- 9 Watch the bubble
- 12 Retractable and/or replaceable
- 13 Use it to find bad things in wood
- 14 At least 25 feet
- 15 Big teeth
- 17 It's not square really, more of a triangle
- 18 Clean out joints or saw cuts with
- 19 Definitely not a TNT tool
- 21 Never ending cutter
- 22 Want to remove a burr? This helps
- 24 Something you can never have too many of

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
			Toy SIG - 10am to			
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		Board Mtg @ 6:30		General Meeting 6:		Toy Sig - 9:00 AM @
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
		Lathe Sig @ 6:30 pm	Toy SIG - 10am to	TNT SIG @ 6:30 @		Scrollsaw at last 1PM to 3PM or so
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
		Lathe Sig @ 6:30 pm		TNT Sig - Hand Tools		Toy Sig - 9:00 AM @
		27	28	29	30	31
			Toy SIG - 10am to			

