

# North Star Scrollers

Minnesota's Scroll Saw Artists  
Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Saturdays September through May  
9:30-11:30.

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## September 2012 Newsletter

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### Summer, 2012

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi Scrollers,

We have a great meeting planned for October. (**Oct. 6, 2012 at North Country Woodshop. 9:30 AM.**) We are going to have a short business meeting, and then we are going to break out and start cutting toys. For many years, one of our members, Philip Lagarde, has been very involved donating his time and efforts to build toys for TLC Toys. TLC Toys is a volunteer group that last year donated over 29,000 toys to various charities. This year, our club decided to get involved by having a group cutting day. (Check out [www.tlctoys.org](http://www.tlctoys.org))

I hope to have at least 12 people cutting at one time, with others sanding, gluing, and preparing wood. If you can bring a saw it would be greatly appreciated. If you do bring a saw, make sure you bring whatever you need to operate that saw such as an extension cord, a stand, and possibly a chair. There will be some benches available but I'm not sure how many. The club will supply blades, patterns, and wood.

If you have some wood that you can donate, we can use it. We can use pine, aspen, poplar, oak, maple, and other hard woods in any thickness from 1'4" to 3/4"

If you are new to cutting, it will be great time to learn from some of the best scrollers in our organization.

Let me know if you can bring a saw.

John Engler  
President

### October Meeting Program

#### TOY WORKSHOP – SATURDAY OCTOBER 6<sup>TH</sup>: NORTH COUNTRY WOODSHOP: 1170 CLIFF ROAD E. 55337

As John wrote above, this month's meeting will be a scroll sawing workshop and NSS charity service. There is enough work for everyone, regardless of whether you cut or perform one of the other tasks involved in getting the toys from NSS to the TLC Toys assembly workers. TLC is an awesome non-profit organization that has a great mission/ministry. Many of the assembly workers are special-needs people earning salaries to support their independence. For more information on how you can get involved with TLC Toys, contact Mel Hartman at 763-421-3891 or visit their website at

[www.TLCToys.org](http://www.TLCToys.org)

THE STATE FAIR WEEK-END:



The gang who worked at the State Fair say it was a successful, fun, and hot day. They had three tables and tons of visitors, A huge thank you to the club members who represented us so well.



Thanks to Swede for all the organization to make this happen, and his efforts to get the club's business cards and wonderful new club banner created.



BLOOMINGTON HERITAGE DAYS

Once again, Swede is "Out There" publicizing our club. And probably making money as well.

**September's  
Feature Story**

**Tips, Jigs and Workshop Wisdom**

By Donna Zibley

Once a year, we find that we like to get together and share some helpful hints for our fellow woodworkers. Folks provided some helpful tips and also brought in a handful of jigs that they've made to make the scroller's job much easier.

Most of the items brought in had to do with using clamps in creative ways to accommodate various woodworking challenges.



Marv brought in his sanding box.

Jim Mielke shared information about a jig he made that improves the efficiency of fretwork, especially when you are mass producing. He put handles on a board for fast swirling. His jig has been published in Wood Magazine.

Others had tips and stories that helped, entertained, and even alarmed us. (If you weren't there, ask someone about the feeding the dog story).



EZ-Mount Clamp on flat surface



Center hole on dowel jig



Jig for small complex sawing



Glue press for various sized bowls & baskets

Swede sent along a variety of clamping jigs. Note the V-cut on the dowel jig for drilling a center hole.



Mike Snyder brought in some mind-boggling jigs he created so that he could make those complicated, compound puzzles that he specializes in.

Once again, it was a beneficial meeting and a nice chance for the gang to get back together after

## Future Programs and Events



**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> : NSS MONTHLY MEETING** KC Hall 1114 American Blvd., Bloomington 55420 – Lower Level.

Katie Nielson and Swede Bengtson will present "Scroll Saw Bowl & Basket Making."

You've seen their work before, so you know it will be a great meeting in November.

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1ST: NSS MONTHLY MEETING** (at KC Hall)



Larry Gardner...Gardner Custom Wood Crafts...This is an informational meeting you should not miss...Take a look at his Intarsia work on his facebook web site: You must be able to log in to facebook, and then search for gardnercustomwoodcrafts.

**NOVEMBER: VIKING WOODCARVERS AT SOUTHTOWN**

We have ten tables reserved for NSS Scrollers. Please tell Swede if you plan to bring your product. That will ensure a space for you. It was great fun last year.

## Executive Committee News



We are always looking for ways to get people more involved in the Scrollers club. Here are some ways you can be involved:

- Staff the tables at public events and marketing events.
- Participate in contests and charity events.
- Send suggestions for good programs, contests, and events.
- Send information on classes you know about.
- Send contact info for woodworkers/scrollers who would make interesting speakers.
- **Finally...**Start thinking **now** about people to nominate for board positions next April. There are five elected positions: President, Vice President, Program Manager, Secretary, and Treasurer. We have to start grooming now to screen/prepare new officers.

## Resource Library

- Click [here](#) to see the resource library.



<b>Website Wonders</b>	<p>You can see it on our website: <a href="http://www.northstarscrollers.org">www.northstarscrollers.org</a>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">September Meeting Minutes</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Summer BOD Meeting Minutes</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Pictures from the September Meeting</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Resource Library</a></li> </ul>						
<b>Interesting Links</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There are numerous scroll saw, woodworking and craft websites. If you make use of their helpful tips, tricks, and videos, please be sure to donate. (<a href="#">More links on our web site</a>)</li> </ul>						
<b>Buy/Sell Corner</b>	<p><b><u>WANT TO SELL AND/OR BUY ITEMS</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>FOR SALE:</b> Dewalt scroll saw, table and foot control \$300 <b>or best offer</b>. Contact: Jeff Dadd <a href="mailto:jcdadd@juno.com">jcdadd@juno.com</a> or call 952-895-8746 after 1pm.</li> <li>• <b>FOR SALE:</b> Jet Special Edition - JTAS-10XL Left Tilting Arbor Saw; Model No. JTAS-10XL-1; Stock No 708661; Serial No. 0036107; XACTA Fence by Jet. I am asking \$1200. Contact: Jim Mielke: <a href="mailto:ilacm@frontier.com">ilacm@frontier.com</a> or call: 651-583-2813. Click <a href="#">here</a> to see picture. Click on picture to enlarge it.</li> </ul>						
<b>North Country Woodshop</b>	<p><b><u>TEACHING OPPORTUNITIES AT NORTH COUNTRY WOODSHOP</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact Tim Watts at 952-500-8812 or <a href="mailto:tim.watts@northcountrywoodshop.com">tim.watts@northcountrywoodshop.com</a> about teaching a woodworking class. Their website is <a href="http://www.northcountrywoodshop.com">www.northcountrywoodshop.com</a></li> </ul>						
<b>Club Merchandise</b> 	<p><b><u>LOGO MERCHANDISE</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New NorthStar “Artistry in Wood” sweatshirts are available. Call Swede: 952-723-4346</li> <li>• Don’t forget the thousands of items available to us with the NSS logo. Clothing, mugs, coasters, framed photos – you name it – they’ve got it available. Check it out at <a href="http://www.taylormadespecialities.com">www.taylormadespecialities.com</a> Remember, NO MINIMUM ORDER.</li> </ul>						
<b>Reminders</b> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Newsletter Deadline: The 15th of the month.</li> <li>• Send your buy/sell items and interesting links to <a href="mailto:kmcb2006@comcast.net">kmcb2006@comcast.net</a></li> <li>• Send your own article for publication in the newsletter to <a href="mailto:kmcb2006@comcast.net">kmcb2006@comcast.net</a></li> <li>• Send your favorite scrollsaw links to <a href="mailto:kmcb2006@comcast.net">kmcb2006@comcast.net</a></li> <li>• Send a picture of a recent project to <a href="mailto:kmcb2006@comcast.net">kmcb2006@comcast.net</a></li> </ul>						
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<b>Club Discounts</b>	<p><b><u>VENDORS GIVING 10% GUILD DISCOUNTS WITH NSS MEMBERSHIP:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Just show your NSS membership card!</li> </ul> <table border="1" data-bbox="331 1375 1557 1644"> <tr> <td data-bbox="331 1375 812 1533"> <b>Woodcraft</b>            9125 Lyndale Ave South            Bloomington, MN 55420            952-884-3634  <a href="mailto:Minneapolis-retail@woodcraft.com">Minneapolis-retail@woodcraft.com</a> </td> <td data-bbox="812 1375 1161 1533"> <b>Rockler Woodworking</b>            2020 W. Cnty. Rd. 42            Burnsville, MN 55337            952-892-7999  <a href="http://www.rockler.com/retail/burnsville-minnesota-hardware-store.cfm">www.rockler.com/retail/burnsville-minnesota-hardware-store.cfm</a> </td> <td data-bbox="1161 1375 1557 1533"> <b>Rockler Woodworking</b>            1935 Beam Avenue            Maplewood, MN 55109            (651) 773-5285  <a href="http://www.rockler.com/retail/maplewood-minnesota-hardware-store.cfm">www.rockler.com/retail/maplewood-minnesota-hardware-store.cfm</a> </td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="331 1533 812 1644"> <b>Youngblood Lumber</b>            1335 Central Avenue Northeast            Minneapolis, MN 55413-1514            (612) 789-3521 <a href="http://www.youngbloodlumber.com">www.youngbloodlumber.com</a> </td> <td colspan="2" data-bbox="812 1533 1557 1644"> <b>Forest Products Supply, Inc.</b>            2650 Highway 61 North            Maplewood, MN 55109            651-770-2834 <a href="http://www.forestproductssupply.com/">www.forestproductssupply.com/</a> </td> </tr> </table>	<b>Woodcraft</b> 9125 Lyndale Ave South Bloomington, MN 55420 952-884-3634 <a href="mailto:Minneapolis-retail@woodcraft.com">Minneapolis-retail@woodcraft.com</a>	<b>Rockler Woodworking</b> 2020 W. Cnty. Rd. 42 Burnsville, MN 55337 952-892-7999 <a href="http://www.rockler.com/retail/burnsville-minnesota-hardware-store.cfm">www.rockler.com/retail/burnsville-minnesota-hardware-store.cfm</a>	<b>Rockler Woodworking</b> 1935 Beam Avenue Maplewood, MN 55109 (651) 773-5285 <a href="http://www.rockler.com/retail/maplewood-minnesota-hardware-store.cfm">www.rockler.com/retail/maplewood-minnesota-hardware-store.cfm</a>	<b>Youngblood Lumber</b> 1335 Central Avenue Northeast Minneapolis, MN 55413-1514 (612) 789-3521 <a href="http://www.youngbloodlumber.com">www.youngbloodlumber.com</a>	<b>Forest Products Supply, Inc.</b> 2650 Highway 61 North Maplewood, MN 55109 651-770-2834 <a href="http://www.forestproductssupply.com/">www.forestproductssupply.com/</a>	
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