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NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Club Members -

It's hard to believe it's May already. Hope everyone has stayed healthy. Due to the Ohio Stay at Home order there will be no scheduled club meeting this month. The board and I are keeping a careful watch on the Governor's announcements as he starts to slowly open Ohio back up again. Hopefully the time won't be much longer.

Please share photos of what you've been making while at home on our Facebook page or email them to our Social Media Director for her to post for you. Looking forward to seeing what everyone is making.

Holly Smith

SHOW UPDATES

At this time we are still planning on having our annual show this September. Jerri Heer and Joanna Toepfer have graciously volunteered to take the Vendor Chair and Show Chair positions. We are really excited about this years show. Any members who are interested in being a part of the show team this year please contact the show chairs.

When the COVID Stay at Home order has been rescinded we will reschedule the show team meeting.

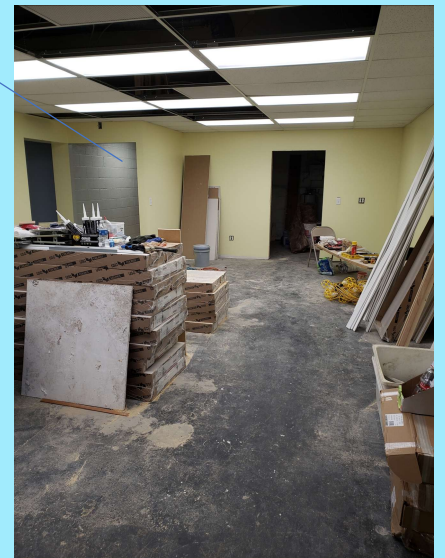
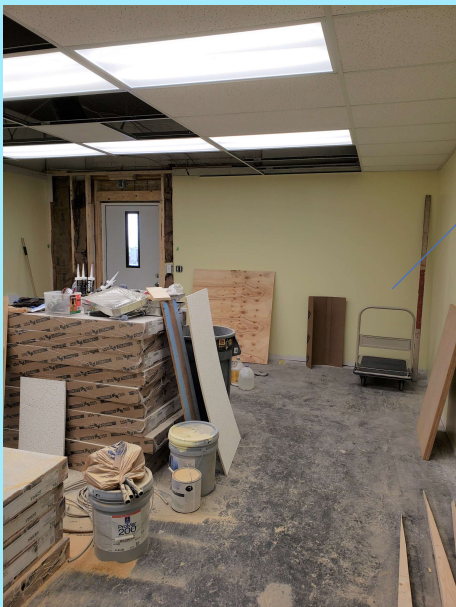
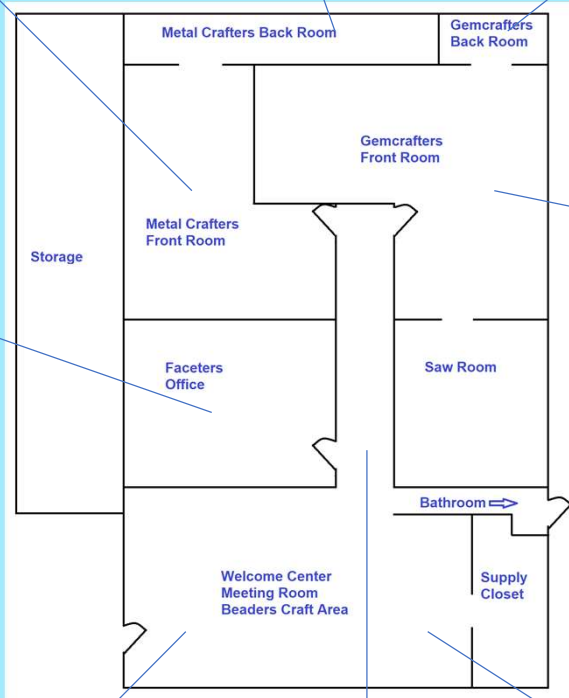
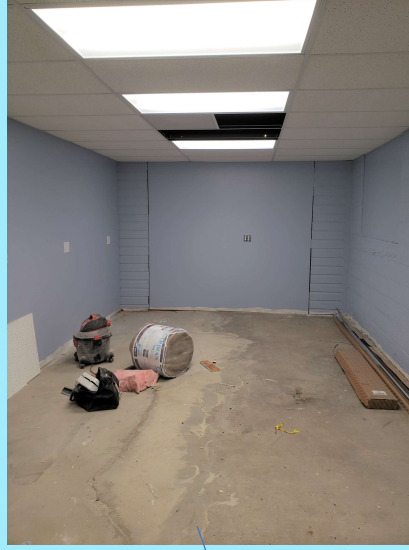
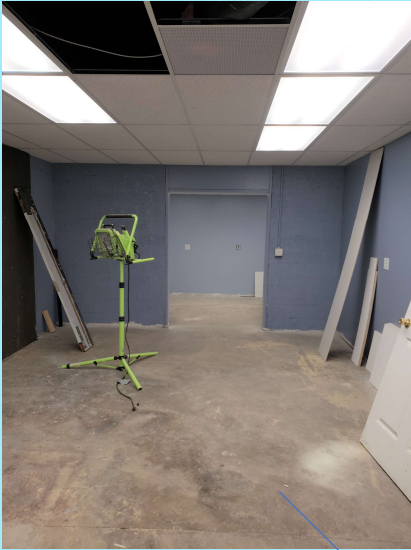
BUILDING UPDATES

We have working electricity. On the next page there is the same layout of the club from the last Rocky Reader but now it has all new photos attached. Checkout how nice our club house looks now. Here are some highlights of the progress made since the last Rocky Reader:

- Working Electricity (Edison/Owner)
- Wooden Ramps Constructed
- Exterior Door Hung (by Owner)
- Several Interior Doors Hung
- Majority of Ceiling Tiles & Light Fixtures Installed
- Bathroom Toilet Repaired (by Owner)
- Adjoining common area tiled (by Owner)
- Increased Outside Lighting (by Owner)

Steve Stalker has continued to do daily solo work sessions to keep our building renovations moving forward. Michelle Grigore has done some solo work sessions and Glen Toepfer has as well. We have some very dedicated members working hard to keep us moving forward. We need to give a huge thank you to all of our members working hard on their own to help the building project.

CHECKOUT OUR CLUB HOUSE NOW



BUILDING UPDATES CONTINUED

Now there is still a good many things yet to be done. I know group sessions are still not an option but there are other ways to volunteer. On the next page is a list of items that need to be hunted down, scrounged up, or made if possible. These are things that the club needs to be functional and there are many ways to help make this happen.

1. Search online for the needed items.
2. Donate funds toward an item that is important to the group you belong to.
3. Contact individuals that may have some of the needed items and would be willing to donate.
4. For those really crafty people, make one of the needed items.

Larger Projects Still required before moving in:

1. Install base cove on all walls – approx. 600 lineal feet
2. Concrete needed to level/tie-in ramps
3. Hang more doors
4. Hang door trim on all doors [trim has been purchased]
5. Plumbing for our three utility sinks [two sinks donated]
6. Move utility sink from Elmer to Tremainsville
7. Building cabinets and tables
8. Paint utility closet (bottom 8' -will be ready 5/11)
9. Build concrete entryway on both sides of exterior door

Now is the time for us to pull together as a club. It's been financially hard on the club to be closed for most of the year so far. At this time we don't know when we will be able to open back up either. But there is nothing stopping us from working together to help finish up the new building. The great thing is no one person has to do this alone. If metal crafters needs a cabinet or a table, let's see how many club members we can get to pitch in and help buy the table or buy the supplies to build one. If we each give a little it will be amazing what we can accomplish together.

List of needed counter, bases, & tables:(If you can build/ scrounge tables for the following, please let me know for sure)

1. Hood for soldering station (Metal 6' x 4' or larger)
2. Work tables for genie/ Titan grinders (waterproof top, 32" tall x 36" deep x 48" wide- need three)
3. Metal crafter and gem crafter large work tables (use solid doors with composite top and Formica or other durable, replaceable surface- 32" tall x 4' x 10' long, need two total)
4. Work bench in gem crafters (48" tall x 5' wide x 26" deep with two drawers below)
5. Casting/ kiln table or base cabinet (40" tall x 5' long x 3- 4' wide, wood with heatproof top, thicker cement board works)
6. Sphere machine base (48" x 48" x 40" tall, would be great if it had two drawers below.
7. Texturing/dapping table (sturdy butcher block like top, for pounding on, 40" tall x 36" wide x 48" long)
8. Work tables for faceters (30" to 32" tall x 30" wide x 48" long, need six tables or combine two long ones for sides and 32 x 30 in sides of rectangular arrangement)
9. Work benches for metal crafters (to go along back room wall, 50" tall x 40" wide x 20" deep per work space, need six work spaces, could combine two or three spaces into a long bench, need two individual work spaces along south wall between door to storage to maximize available space.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Monthly Board Meeting to be scheduled for virtual meeting.
- Monthly Club Meeting Postponed
- New Craft Center Grand Opening Celebration – To Be Determined
- TGRC Annual Show September 11th, 12th. & 13th 2020
- Stateline has canceled their show. (Sherm notified us)
- Please keep an eye on our Facebook page as updates will be posted there throughout the month as things change with COVID changes.

OPEN POSITIONS

- Juniors Program – This is a Co-Chairs position. One chairperson to handle the elementary kids and one chairperson to handle the junior high and high school kids. This program meets once a month.
- Open House – Chairperson to take over the open houses. They will need to head up the planning and location of a Spring and a Fall open house.
- Club Photographer – Individual to attend club events and group meetings to take photographs.
- Rocky Reader Editor – Individual to communicate with all groups, the board, and chairpersons to gather information to produce each month's newsletter.

If anyone is interested in one of the above positions, please contact Holly Smith for more information or to let her know of your interest.

CLUB UPDATES

When the building opens, we will be having a Grand Opening Celebration. Once we fully understand the COVID-19 restrictions, we will need your help in planning the event!

Currently all craft groups are on break until the new craft center is complete. Once the Stay at Home restriction has been lifted please volunteer to either lead a work session or participate in one. More volunteers the quicker we can get our move complete and get back to crafting.

Our MWF member cards have come in. If anyone would like one please contact our Treasurer Glen Toepfer and he will arrange to get you one.

We are excited to announce we are in the process of putting together our class programming for the last half of 2020! We are hoping to fill our calendar with many exciting new classes!

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