

## **APPLE COUNTRY WOODCRAFTERS**

ACW is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization whose goal is to create woodworking projects for the benefit of our community and the education of our members and the larger world. One of our largest efforts is making and distributing thousands of wooden toys to local children at Christmas time. We also seek to make woodworking contributions to enrich our community. This provides a backdrop for increasing our woodworking skills, and developing new skills for beginners. All of this is enhanced by the camaraderie we enjoy among men and women with a common love for working with wood.

We have a 3,750 square foot workshop in Building C at 55 P.E.M. Drive, off Sugarloaf Road in Hendersonville, just east of I-26. It's a well-equipped facility: table saws, band saws, scroll saws, jointer & planer, routers, sanders, hand tools, even a CNC.

Please visit the shop on a working day: Mondays 9-4pm, Tuesdays 9-12 & 6-9, Wednesdays 9-4, Thursdays 6-9, Fridays 9-12, Saturdays 9-4. Our carving group meets on Thursdays from 9-12. The day's supervisor will be happy to give you a tour.

We hold regular meetings on the fourth Monday of most months (September and December excepted), beginning at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall at Grace Lutheran Church, 1245 6th Ave West, in Hendersonville. You are welcome to drop in.

Annual ACW dues are a remarkable bargain for the benefits you will enjoy: just \$90 for a regular member, which includes equal privileges for their spouse and children aged 18 through 26. To encourage woodworking skills in the next generation, we also offer a young adult membership (ages 18 through 26) with dues set at \$45.

To begin your membership process, please complete the three attached forms (application, general shop safety agreement and liability waiver). You may bring them to a meeting or to the shop or mail them to us at:

Apple Country Woodcrafters  
PO Box 1836  
Hendersonville, NC 28793

We look forward to seeing you. Additional information is available at  
[www.applecountrywoodcrafters.org](http://www.applecountrywoodcrafters.org)



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- Membership Category
- Regular member
  - Spouse
  - Child (18-26)
  - Young adult (18-26)

## Membership Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about ACW ? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your woodworking experience level ?  Beginner  Intermediate  Expert

What are your woodworking interests ?

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|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toy making           | <input type="checkbox"/> Carving    | <input type="checkbox"/> Furniture | <input type="checkbox"/> Intarsia / Marquetry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Model building       | <input type="checkbox"/> Turning    | <input type="checkbox"/> Finishing | <input type="checkbox"/> _____                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scrollsaw / Fretwork | <input type="checkbox"/> Pyrography | <input type="checkbox"/> CNC       | <input type="checkbox"/> _____                |

Other talents or experience that you could share with us ?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Accounting  | <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching/ Mentoring | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising         | <input type="checkbox"/> Machinery repair        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising | <input type="checkbox"/> Public relations    | <input type="checkbox"/> Video / Photography | <input type="checkbox"/> Computers / Programming |

Others: \_\_\_\_\_

Tell us about yourself (occupation / career, how long you've been in the area, where have you lived before, other interests)

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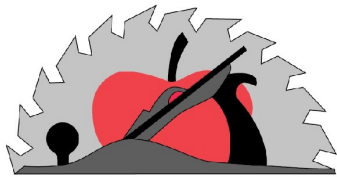
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Date received: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dues paid: \_\$ \_\_\_\_\_



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## GENERAL SAFETY PROCEDURES AND AGREEMENT

This document does not replace the specific safety and operation instructions associated with individual machines or the shop environment.

### **Failure to comply with these procedures may result in the loss of shop privileges.**

1 It is the responsibility of all members to observe and help to enforce the safety rules of Apple Country Woodcrafters (ACW). If you observe an unsafe act, notify the shop supervisor immediately.

2 Always comply with the directions and requests of the shop supervisor. You must have "ACW certification" on each machine before using it. If you are not familiar or comfortable with the operation of a machine, consult the shop supervisor. **It is the responsibility of each member to obtain the appropriate training and certification to operate the machinery in the shop.**

3 No one may use any machines without a shop supervisor on duty and only with a minimum of two members present.

**4 Eye protection is required to be worn for all activities in the shop. Hearing protection is strongly recommended when needed.**

5 Do not disturb anyone when they are using a machine. Wait until the machine is stopped before getting their attention unless an unsafe act is being used.

6 Check to see that work areas are clean, with no loose items on the machine or on the floor around the work area. Be aware of electric cords and air hoses.

7 Inspect equipment prior to use to insure proper operating condition. Guards are not to be removed or disabled. Notify supervisor if problems are found.

8 Be aware of any fire hazard. Aerosol spray cans are permitted but no other spraying. Rags and brushes used in finishing are to be placed in a container containing water. **NOTE: These materials must be taken with the member when leaving the shop.** Plastic bags are available for transport if needed. Do not put flammable materials in shop trash containers.

9 Smoking is allowed only in designated areas outside the building. Dispose of butts in the containers.

10 Wear proper clothing. Loose clothes, especially sleeves, is to be avoided. Shoes should have good traction, closed toes and offer some protection from falling objects. Long hair should be secured out of harm's way. Jewelry should not be worn while operating machines, especially lathes.

11 Know the location of all exits, fire extinguishers, First Aid kit. Notify the shop supervisor immediately of any injury, especially if blood is drawn.

12 Do not use the shop when excessively fatigued or when under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Recent changes in prescription medication that could affect level of alertness requires some consideration.

13 Do not leave any running machine unattended. Wait at the machine until the blade/cutters have totally stopped. Always maintain "3 inches" between fingers or body parts and any blade or cutter. Use push pads and push handles to control material through a cut on a machine.

14 Maintain a clean shop. Members are responsible for cleaning the machines they use and the areas around them. All hand tools are to be returned to their proper locations, and all remaining material is to be disposed of or removed from the shop.

15 Notify the shop supervisor of any damaged or improperly operating equipment and tools.

**I agree to abide by these general safety procedures and all those specific to the tools I am using.**

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Printed Name

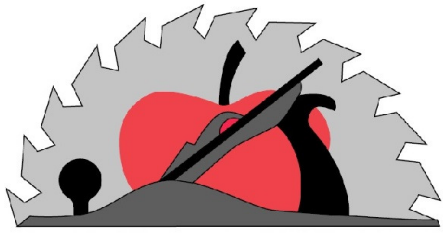
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Signature

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Date

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## LIABILITY WAIVER

As a participant in a workshop, seminar, educational class or otherwise using the equipment in the workshop of Apple Country Woodcrafters (ACW), I agree to abide by all Shop Rules adopted by ACW for use of its shop facilities and equipment. I understand ACW maintains a program of training and certification for safe equipment operation and that each participant is required to obtain that training and certification before operating machinery in the shop. I agree to promptly notify ACW Officers of any change in my physical or mental condition that may impair my ability to engage safely in any shop activity at ACW. Whenever requested, I agree to participate in a confidential assessment by an ACW Officer or Shop Supervisor to assess my physical and/or mental fitness to participate in the use of its shop facilities. If ACW determines, at its sole discretion, that my physical and/or mental condition presents any risk to myself and/or others, ACW may suspend, terminate, or refuse to renew my participation in the ACW Shop Program. Any violation of ACW Shop Rules or any terms of any written agreement with ACW may result in suspension, termination or non-renewal of my participation in the ACW shop program.

**By signing this document, I agree to assume all risks of, and take full responsibility for my actions and omissions while participating in the ACW program. I hereby release ACW and its Officers to the fullest extent allowed by law.** I further and hereby release ACW and its Officers from any and all liability, claims, demands, damages, actions, suits, proceedings, loses and/or related causes of action that may arise from my accidental injury or death associated with my participation in the ACW Shop Program and/or use of ACW property and equipment.

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Officer's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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