

## Baton Rouge Woodworkers Introduction

- 1. The Baton Rouge Woodworkers Club was founded in May 2013. It was established to foster, promote and improve woodworking skills and safety for amateurs and professionals with interests in all areas of woodworking crafts. The club also supports the following specific objectives: Promote safety and safe practices in all shop and woodworking activities. Encourage members, visitors and others to expand their knowledge of new or different woodworking crafts and techniques. Promote a network of area woodworkers to share ideas, techniques, skills and cooperative projects. Support community service projects by applying our skills and abilities to assist in projects that will serve some needs in our communities.
- 2. The Club is a non-profit Louisiana corporation and a 501c3 tax-exempt organization.
- 3. Meetings are held on the first Saturday of each month from 9am to 11am unless otherwise announced. At each meeting a specific skill and safety topic are discussed and demonstrated. Members bring wood projects or subjects of interest to the meetings as a means of exchanging ideas and techniques and becoming better acquainted with each other.
- 4. The membership reflects a cross section of woodworking interests and skill levels from beginners to professionals in and around the Baton Rouge Area. This is not an exclusive club; anyone interested in woodworking is encouraged to attend, ask questions, participate in discussions, become a member and enjoy the experience. Annual dues are \$20.00. Membership term is January 1 to December 31 of the current year.
- Offices of the club are: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Webmaster, 3 each Members-at-Large. Each office has a term of 1 year. Offices are filled from the membership by nomination of people who are willing to serve. Election of officers takes place at the November club meeting.
- 6. Projects and activities: 1. Battered Woman's Shelter Night Stand (March 2014) built 14 nights stands, 2. Rural Life Museum Repairs (Aug 2014) – restored support beams on historical buildings, 3. Battered Woman's' Shelter Bookshelves (October 2014) - built 14 bookshelves, 4. Woodworking Class for Home School Program (October 2014) - held woodworking classes for local home schooling program, 5. Rural Life Museum Repairs (Feb 2015) - re-roof of Overseer House historical building, 6. Little Angels Foundation (Mar 2015) - sponsored a Fish Fry Fund Raising event and built 30+ caskets, 7. HAART Chest of Drawers (April 2015) - build 10 chest of drawers, 8. Camp Istrouma Bunk Beds (May 2015) - build 10 bunk beds for the United Methodist Retreat Center and Summer Camp, 9. Louisiana Children's Discovery Museum Snake Enclosure Stand (May 2015) - built a wooden stand for a snake enclosure at the museum, 10. OLOL Welcome Wagon (June 2015) - built a rolling welcome cart for OLOL Children's Hospital, 11. Swamp Life Expo Bluebird House Kits (Oct 2015) - built more than 80 Bluebird House Kits and helped the kids build them during the Expo, 12, USDA Honey Bee Genetic Research Lab Training (Dec 2015) – trained them on how to safely use bandsaw, 13. Rural Life Museum Repairs (Feb 2016) - finished re-roof of Overseer House historical building, 14. Quad Vets Mailbox (Feb 2016) - built 40 slot wooden mailbox, 15. Quad Vets Footlockers (Feb 2016) - rebuilt 38 wooden footlockers, 16. Louisiana War Veterans Home Rocking Chairs (Mar 2016) – building 25 wooden rocking chairs.