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CRAFTS.**

(COLLECTORS of RARE AND
FAMILIAR TOOLS SOCIETY)



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In 1977 a small group of tool collectors established CRAFTS, meeting informally to talk about tools. In 1980 the club was incorporated as a non-profit organization with the purpose of encouraging interest in early trades and industries, and fostering the identification, study, preservation and exhibition of antique tools and implements.

CRAFTS membership is over 350 strong including many of the most knowledgeable individuals in the tool fraternity. Our quarterly journal, *The Tool Shed*, has achieved an enviable reputation and largely due to this the club has expanded far beyond its original borders. We include members from more than two-thirds of the States, Canada, Great Britain, Eurpoe and as far away as Australia.

We welcome new members from anywhere in the world who collect, use, display, and/or sell early tools or implements. In other words if you collect antique tools... ***you should be a member of CRAFTS.***



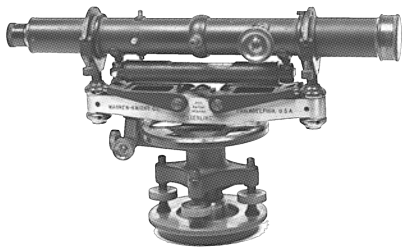
BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP



Published four times a year for members, *The Tool Shed* is recognized as a leading publication in its field. Each issue has 12 to 16 pages; recent articles delved into:

- Pennsylvania Goosewing Axes
- Measuring Systems of the Tailor
- Ancient Arctic Tools
- Unique and Special Drawknives
- The Richardson Saw Company
- Early Development of Micrometers

Other features include: news of the tool market, summaries of meeting presentations, review of tool reference books, stories about tools and tool hunting, calendar of upcoming tool events, and want ads. *The Tool Shed* is delivered to members via e-mail in PDF format and is archived on the CRAFTS website. New members enjoy special access on the website to issues published in the prior three years.



FIVE MEETINGS A YEAR

CRAFTS meets four times a year in November, February, April & June. Invited authorities speak on tool related subjects or demonstrate use of their tools. Meetings feature a swap and sell meet, a “whatsit” session and lots of tool talk with fellow collectors. The fifth meeting is our ...

ANNUAL FALL PICNIC

Every fall members get together for a great family day of good food, tool displays and dealer sales. Rain or shine!

SPRING TOOL AUCTION

Our annual tool auction is a significant event in the tool marketplace. Tools are consigned by members and buying is open to the public. As almost all of the work of conducting the auction is done by member volunteers we offer one of the least expensive means of selling tools. Dealer sales take place in the parking lot before the auction.

WOODWORKING SCHOOL GRANTS

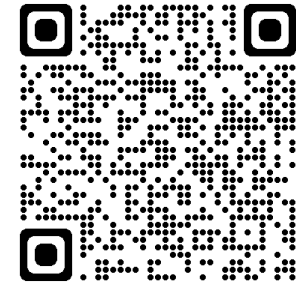
We offer annual scholarship grants to encourage a new generation of woodworkers in NJ to take up the profession. Members of CRAFTS may refer a candidate (under age 24) to apply. Funded in honor of Dominic Micalizzi.

WEBSITE EXCLUSIVES

Members may register an account and gain access to special content on the CRAFTS website:

- 12 latest issues of *The Tool Shed*
- Search within *The Tool Shed* archive
- Slides from recent presentations
- Prices realized from last tool auction
- Custom Google search of tool sellers' e-commerce websites

<https://craftsofnj.org>



To join: either submit payment online (see above) or mail a check payable to “CRAFTS of NJ” for US\$15.00 to:

Stewart May
300 Winston Drive, Unit 1909
Cliffside Park, NJ 07010

Please include your name, address, phone number and email.

Membership dues are good for one individual or household for a year from July to the following June.