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BIG EVENTS

Happy Birthday to Us. We are 5 years old and are celebrating with an Open House **Anniversary Party** on Saturday, November 5th from 1-6pm. Please come and partake in good conversation, food, and even a few demos. Guests and family are welcome. Please register through this Eventbrite Link so we know how many are coming.

Its voting season, **Annual Members Meeting and Board Elections** will be held on Monday, November 7th at 7PM at Bridgewire (no members meeting on Nov. 8th). The current board has determined that the number of director seats available at this election will be 5 seats for the 2016-2017 year. Nominations will be taken until just before the voting. As of this newsletter, the only nominees so far are Eric Bradford and John Tomascheski. Please attend and vote. If you can help run the place, please throw your hat in the ring. Its not as viscious as our national elections.

Last quarter Bridgewire participation in the **Reno Mini Maker Faire** on July 9th was a success. Thanks to the 12 members and volunteers that staffed our booth. We had 40 sq ft of booth space with interactive and static displays. This year we had air rocket launchers, tin type photography, CNC wood engraving, hot wire foam cutting, thermoforming, solar cooking, and a Theramin to play with. Although it was exausting, the result was we had several people visit Bridgewire on Open Space Thursday and even gained membership. Can't wait til next year, it should be even better.

THE BOARD DECISIONS

This sounds like a broken record, but the Board has approved even more signs and revised documents proposed by the Facility Committee. We are working towards making the shop friendlier, so members can self-start If you have any questions ask an officer.

The board has agreed that the facility committee chairperson shall have the authority to okay and make adjustments to the placement of items in facility shops and labs as long as the facility plan intent is not violated.

FACILITY HAPPENINGS

The Facility Planning meetings has approved a plan for Fall projects as posted on the bulletin board by the front door. Look for postings on our calendar and/or facebook for activity days to implement these facility improvements. The first project day will be this Saturday, Oct 29th as posted in our calendar.

We have a **New Vending Machine**. It has a main unit and 2 side cabinets, which provides many advantages over the old machine. This machine will keep your drinks cold. It has side cabinets which will be stocked with shop consumable items like glue, sandpaper, drill bits, etc.

We will be taking suggestions for healthier food choices in the new machine, after the elections on Monday, November 7th 7pm.

Obsessive Compulsive Parts Bins Disorder. Recently Eric suffered an episode of OCPBD. The constant 4 year mess around the parts shelves has been cleaned up. We now have organized and labeled screws, nails, and components. Lets keep it clean and organized as we move forward. That means labeling any new contributions and nothing placed on the floor.

Charter Cable **faster internet speed** is almost here. They have trenched and routed cable to the building. It looks likely we will have faster internet speed and all that entails before Christmas.

CLICK on Calendars to go to Bridgewire Calendar with interactive event details.

Bridgewire Calendar

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JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP **OCT** NOV DEC

23	24	25	26	27 6 pm - 9 pm Open Space Night	28 8 pm - 10 pm Movie Night - Central Intelligence	29 12 pm - 1 pm Shop Project - Install New Vending in Kitchen

November 2016

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31 Halloween	November 1 7 pm - 8 pm BW Board Meeting	2	3 6 pm - 9 pm Open Space Night	4	5 1 pm - 6 pm Open House - 5Yr Anniversary
6 Daylight Saving (End)	7 7 pm - 8 pm BW Annual Members Meeting	8	9	10 6 pm - 9 pm Open Space Night	11 Veteran's Day	12
13	14	15	16 5 pm - 8 pm Nevada Inventors Association - Monthly Meeting/Lecture	17 6 pm - 9 pm Open Space Night	18	19 9 am - 1 pm CAD - Learning Onshape 3D CAD (2days)
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