



# The DoveTale

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Woodworkers of SouthEast Texas

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Members:	52	Present:	20	Visitors:	1
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## April 26<sup>th</sup> Meeting

We held the April meeting at our regular meeting location, 1685 Ashley in Beaumont. Business items included:

- Waid Gauthier - Balance is \$2940.43
- Richard Hicks - 52 members
- Web Site - Rob Emanuel reports that our website [www.wwset.org](http://www.wwset.org) is back in operation and we need more pictures for our gallery
- Library - We currently subscribe to WOODSMITH, SHOP NOTES - Rob is organizing the library materials for easier checkout and inventory

## Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at our regular meeting facility, 1685 Ashley in Beaumont. The business meeting will start at 6:30 and the regular meeting starts at 7:00. Be sure to bring a show and tell item. We have plenty of chairs, so there's no need to bring one.

## Programs

Troy Gallier is looking for some help with the programs this year. If you can share your expertise in certain areas of woodworking, please consider presenting a program so the rest of us can benefit from your knowledge. If you've done a program in the past, please consider presenting it again. We have a lot of new members, many of whom are new woodworkers, that would benefit from your program.

Contact Troy at 769-8293 and he can help you schedule your presentation and make arrangements for any visual aids you need.

## Toy Drive

Dean Partridge and Sam Toby have been working to get the donated wood cleaned up for the toy drive. Materials are available and wheels and small parts have been ordered. Contact Dean Partridge at 722-7647 for toy-making supplies and patterns.

## Safety

After 20 years of work building his boat with no safety issues, Dr. Vardiman suffered a serious injury after launching his boat. His

foot was crushed and part of it had to be amputated. This injury will permanently affect his enjoyment of his boat. Since accidents can happen when you least expect them, always keep your guard up.

## Program

Troy Gallier presented a program on making box joints using his new box joint jig from Rockler Woodworking.

## Show and Tells



Earl Rutherford turned an oversized handle for an ice cream scoop (metal parts from Penn State Industries). He

and his wife find that it really helps scoop the ice cream better. Earl also won the door prize, \$35 since he had a show and tell item.



Larry Trahan showed us his new small-item rip fence that he bought from Rockler Woodworking.



Troy Gallier showed us a Porter Cable router kit that he bought from a local pawn shop (he saved a lot of money).



Raymond Fontenote showed us his bowl that he'd used in his program presentation on router bowls. It's finished now.



Thomas Ellis brought pictures of his "Last Supper" table. For durability, he covered the top with Formica.



This is a cypress harvest table under construction by Jeffrey Fritz.



The jig is easy to set up and makes accurate box joints on any standard router table with a three quarter inch miter slot. It includes indexing bars for quarter, three-

eighths and half-inch spacing. The jig requires a straight router bit to match the size of the indexing key. Up-cut spiral bits deliver the cleanest cuts and prevent blowout.

Troy brought his router table and his vacuum system, and within minutes, he was actually cutting box joints. Several club members got some hands-on experience making their own box joints.

Box joints (or finger joints) make attractive and strong corner joints for boxes or any projects that call for corners joints.

Thanks to Troy for an excellent program.