



The DoveTale

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Woodworkers of SouthEast Texas

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Members:	48	Present:	23	Visitors:	1
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April 23rd Meeting

We held the April meeting at our regular meeting location, 1685 Ashley in Beaumont.

Business items included:

- Waid Gauthier - about \$2,621
- Richard Hicks - 48 members
- Web Site - Rob Emanuel reports that he's having problems with our website and he's working to correct them.
- Library - We added two bookcases to the library to make it easier to store and find the books and videos

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Monday, May 28th, 2012 at our regular meeting facility, 1685 Ashley in Beaumont. Jerry Shivers and John Phelps will present the third part of a five-part program about building furniture.

Directions: Take the MLK exit on IH-10, go South on MLK and then turn West on Ashley. Go two blocks and you're there. The business meeting will start at 6:30 and the regular meeting starts at 7:00.

Show & Tell

Richard Spinney brought several recently



carved items - a plane shaped like an airplane, a rabbit plane (looked like a rabbit) and a 'bottle nose' dolphin. Very

creative carving!



Larry Trahan built this maple 'urn' chest using hand-cut dovetails to join the sides.



Thomas Ellis built this pine desk while learning to do mortise and tenon joints. He also recently added a DeWalt miter saw to his tool collection.





Rebecca Phelps donated a book to the club library about designing and constructing Shaker furniture.

Mack Trahan won the door prize - \$25 since he didn't have a show and tell item.

Shop Safety

Injuries can happen - and very quickly! The tools we use are designed to cut wood but they also very easily cut flesh and bone. The pictures are about a recent injury (not one of



our club members). The injured person was routing a raised panel and had a 'kick-back'. He stated that "he pulled his hands

back and thought, "man that was close", then realized his thumb was bleeding. He never



felt it when it happened. He found at least eight shavings of thumb, and said they were "pretty and clean fillets of thumb".

Even though his injury is healing, he will never have a complete thumb again.

S.W.A.T.

Attention those of you that like to turn! The Southwest Association of Turners will have their annual symposium this year from August 24th thru 26th in Waco, Texas. The registration fee is \$130 (which includes lunch each day). They also have a banquet on Saturday night (\$30 extra) and raffles. They

have an extensive list of national and international, as well as local, instructors.

You can register by mail or online at www.swaturners.org. They have special rates at area hotels and motels, but the rooms fill up fast.

Program

Jerry Shivers and John Phelps reviewed the work that was completed on Saturday, March 30th at Jerry's shop where we reviewed the plans and cut list, prepared the stock, and routed and assembled the rails, stiles and panels for the sides of the pedestals.

The second part of our project included a discussion of the assembly techniques, construction of the face frame and cutting the dados on the inside of the pedestal sides. We also taped the panels in preparation for applying the finish on the inside surfaces. It's much easier to apply the finish before the pedestal is assembled.

Seventeen members attended a work meeting on Saturday April 29th at Jerry's shop. We assembled the pedestal by gluing the side panels to the face-frames. Once the glue dried, we could measure and construct the dust panels.

The program covering the third part of the project will involve reviewing the measuring and construction of the drawer, door, the 'wrap around' base molding, and the writing panel.

We will have the work meeting for the third part on Saturday June 2nd. The meeting will be at Jerry's shop in Fannett and it will start promptly at 9AM. We expect to be finished before 12 noon.