



The DoveTale

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Woodworkers of SouthEast Texas

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Members:	91	Present:	36	Visitors:	13
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[Our Next Meeting will be Feb 23rd](#)

[January 26th Meeting](#)

Our January meeting was held at Acadian Hardwoods. Business items included:

- Howard Hartman - treasury at \$2,321.98
- Richard Hicks - Membership at 91 - 74 renewals so far.
- Ken Bodden - Revised the checkout sheets and they are in a binder now. Check in your old materials on the older sheets.
- Rod Ruppel - Reminded us about the Houston Woodworking Show on February 6th and passed out packages for the ones that agreed to work the booth.
- Rob Emanuel - Still looking for additional gallery items for our website.
- Bill Chanley - He plans to start early on our Christmas toy project.

[Passing the Leadership](#)



Outgoing President, Waid Gauthier, passed the gavel to our new President, Ray Ward. Waid thanked the other 2003 officers that helped him make the club a success. Waid

brought a couple of innovations to our club; we had our first raffle (a set of router bits donated by Woodline at the Woodworking Show) and a written agenda. We will have more raffles in 2004. Waid, on behalf of our club, thanks for your leadership in 2003!

[Membership Renewal Time](#)

It's that time again - time to renew your membership for 2004! We have 74 renewals so far. Thanks to those that have already renewed by mail - it's been a BIG help to me. If you haven't renewed, please take care of it as soon as you can by sending the information card along with \$24 to me by return mail. My address (in case you lose the envelope) is:

Richard Hicks
3849 Memorial Blvd
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[Next Meeting](#)

Our next meeting will be at Acadian Hardwoods in Rose City. The meeting will start at 7PM but I'll be there early to take pictures of your show & tell items. Richard Hicks will present a program on project design and execution.

Be sure to bring a Show & Tell and a chair!

Show & Tells



Jewel Hymel – started turning and made a mesquite mallet and a teak potpourri bowl with a pewter lid.



'T' Bruce brought a wooden train – very realistic with a lot of cars and extras.



Howard Hartman – a kid's potty chair that's part of his juvenile furniture line. He can't make any more of them because the company stopped making the potty bowl.



Sue Caldwell used several exotic hardwoods to make this Intarsia Rose with a high gloss Polyurethane finish.



Marie Badeaux – brought an Intarsia pelican made with several different woods.



Jeffery Fritz built a library table from plans in Woodsmith magazine. He used a duplicator to make the legs.



Lyman Frugia – a spalted hackberry vase with an ebony top. It had an extremely small hole in the top.



John Phelps with a new tenon saw he got for Christmas. John cautioned the members not to touch the metal blade because it is very susceptible to rust.



Paul Smith – pictures of a washer game he and a friend made for Christmas presents.



B.J. Holt has started carrying the Miller Doweling System. It uses a special stepped drill bit and dowels to make strong, all wood joints. The dowels come in several species of wood.



Earl Rutherford turned a tall spalted sycamore vase with a paduak top. He also turned a deep vessel from osage orange. Both pieces had a high gloss lacquer finish.



Gerald Brennan made steady rests for his lathe using MDF and in-line skate wheels.



Rob Emanuel brought a picture of his new workbench. The plans came from an issue of WOOD magazine.



Ray Ward built this Mission style writing table out of white oak. He used Krieg screws to join the aprons to the legs.



Dean Partridge built this recipe box with a tambour door. It had a removable box inside to hold the recipes.



Pete Nealley turned his deep vessel from a Holly blank and topped it with a mesquite ring.



Don Lemp built two jewelry boxes out of curly maple and stained one of them. He used box joints and flocked the interiors.



Waid Gauthier brought pictures of the furniture he built for his daughter. He used Aspen with a Cherry stain for most of the pieces.

Program



Winnie Rudd scrolled this Intarsia raccoon in a tree. She used a gloss polyurethane finish.

Larry Barfoot arranged to have Brian Deihl, from the Graco Company, give us a demonstration of their line of HVLP spraying equipment. The local Sherwin-Williams Paint Company helped make the arrangements and provided the lacquer that Brian used in his demonstration.

HVLP spraying involves using **H**igh **V**olumes of air at **L**ow **P**ressure to atomize the paint. Delivery pressure is about 6 psi instead of the usual 50 psi on conventional guns. The main advantage of this system is less overspray – most of the paint goes on the item you're painting, not in the air. The spray pattern is very 'tight' and easy to control and there's very little 'bounce back' when the paint hits the work piece.



Brian demonstrated the model 3800 system that normally sells for about \$1,000 . It features a three stage turbine and a

detached two quart paint cup. The paint feed hose is about 5 feet long, so the paint cup can be hung on your belt or set on the floor. One advantage of this feed system is that the spray head can be used at any angle – great for getting into those hard to reach areas on a project. The air hose is about 30 feet long, which allows you to place the turbine unit away from the painting area. The turbine is very quiet compared to a conventional air compressor.

Cleaning up the system is easy – just remove the paint cup, spray some thinner through the hose and gun and then manually cleanup the gun parts. The system comes with various nozzles that allow you to spray almost any paint from lacquer to latex – even polyurethane.

There are smaller systems available starting around \$500 that have the same quality spray pattern. The main difference is the turbine is a two stage, paint cups are attached and they are a little harder to cleanup. Sherwin-Williams is a local dealer for the Graco line and they can provide assistance with the selection of a unit.

Larry, thanks for arranging a really great program!

Houston Woodworking Show

Congratulations! We pulled it off again – the



best club booth at this year's show. We had a large variety of items; turned vases, intarsia, toys, and furniture. We had a lot of traffic in the booth and a lot of people asked a lot of questions about our displays. Some of them even wanted to buy



some of our items!

There were a lot of new vendors at the show this year. They even had a small-scale machine that cut lumber out of short logs. The product demonstrations were very informative. The seminars were well attended – one was right across the aisle from our booth.

The Woodline Company donated a set of router bits (like they did last year) so it looks like we have our first raffle item for 2004. Some of our members even found a few items to add to their shops.

All in all, this was a very good show and our club did a really great job. Thanks to everyone one that helped make our club look so good!

Note: They're still working on I H-10 so coming from Beaumont, take the first exit and coming from Orange, exit on HWY 105.