



# The DoveTale

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Woodworkers of SouthEast Texas

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Members:	69	Present:	18	Visitors:	1
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January 22<sup>nd</sup> Meeting

We held our January meeting at Acadian Hardwoods. Business items included:

- Howard Hartman – Balance is \$2,647.76 a
- Richard Hicks – Membership at 69 – 47 renewals so far
- Web Site – Rob Emanuel reports he's going to redesign our website: [www.wwset.org](http://www.wwset.org)
- Toy Project: We had a good toy drive in 2006 and we need to get started early for 2007. We're looking for someone to lead the toy effort this year.
- Programs: New incentives for program presenters – Rob Emanuel will continue as our program chairman
- Steve Brady will continue to handle our raffles.

## Safety

Steve Brady had a serious injury during the holidays. He and Earl Rutherford were using a bandsaw to cut the corners off a turning blank and Steve's left hand got too close to the blade. He sustained cuts to his fingers and hand that required a long visit to the emergency room, numerous visits to the

doctor and a long period of time with restricted use of his hand. Steve is left-handed which made it even worse. Be careful – bandsaws are very dangerous tools!

## Renewals

Well, it's that time again – time to renew your club membership.

So far, we've had 47 renewals. Our club bylaws require that we finalize the membership list before the March meeting, so please return your membership renewal as soon as you can. If you don't plan to renew, please let me know.

It really helps a lot if you renew by mail.

## Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be February 26<sup>th</sup> at Acadian Hardwoods in Rose City starting at 7PM. Howard Hartman will present a program on making bandsaw boxes.

Be sure to bring a show & tell item and a chair. As usual, I'll be there early to take pictures of the show & tell items.

## Tool Reviews



John Phelps showed us his new pin-nailer by Cadex. It's a lot like a brad nailer but it drives headless, 23 gauge, pins of various lengths. The very sharp pins are made of hardened steel so they drive very easily. Because they are headless, they are nearly invisible but they hold really well. They're especially good for nailing trim to cabinets and furniture.



Woodworker's Paradise is now handling the Festool line of power tools. Among them, this strange looking 12 volt battery powered drill. It has a special 3 phase motor and internal controls that provide maximum power and eliminates burned out motors.



Festool also makes a sander that changes from a rotary orbital motion for course sanding to eccentric motion for fine sanding. It also has a rotary orbital motion that's used for polishing. The dust pickup is very effective and it keeps the sanding dust from accumulating between the sand paper and the work piece for faster sanding. While the Festool line is relatively expensive, they are very well made and carry a 3-year warranty.

Woodworker's Paradise will host the club on Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 1PM with a first hand look of the Festool line of power tools. B.J. is really excited about the Festool line.

## Show & Tells



Kris Castle brought one of the end pieces from a mesquite coffee table he's building for his wife.



Dean Partridge built this roll top bread box from some wormy, burn pile pine he got from Steve Brady.



Sam Toby made a heavy-duty mallet from some walnut. Not sure what he plans to hit with it, but I bet it will be strong enough.



Sue Caldwell did a new intarsia with a walnut cross and holly flowers.



Howard Hartman brought pictures of a 3 story, 20 room martin house he built for a customer.



Earl Rutherford needed some smaller turning tools to make Christmas tree ornaments, so he made his own.



Winnie Rudd cut a very delicate fretwork cross out of some walnut.



Lyman Frugia turned a mesquite top hat for a hummingbird feeder.

## Houston Woodworking Show

The club will have a booth at the Houston Woodworking Show this year. The show will be:

- 12 to 7 on Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>
- 10 to 6 on Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup>
- 10 to 4 on Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup>

Dean is coordinating the schedule for club members that will work our booth at the show. Members that work the booth, get in the show free (still have to pay to park). Dean Passed around a sign up sheet, but there's room for more. If you want to participate, contact Dean at 722-7647.

## Program

John Phelps presented a program on designing and building bases for various types of furniture. Some of the types he covered:

- No separate base – the bottom of the cabinets is designed to rest on the floor
- Directly attached feet- these are separate feet (usually round turned pieces) that are attached directly to the bottom of the carcass
- Attached moldings – decorative molding is applied to the bottom of the piece to form a footing
- Leg and rail base – like a small table base that the furniture piece rests on
- Shaped box base - similar to the leg and rail base, but usually has more decorative router and scroll work

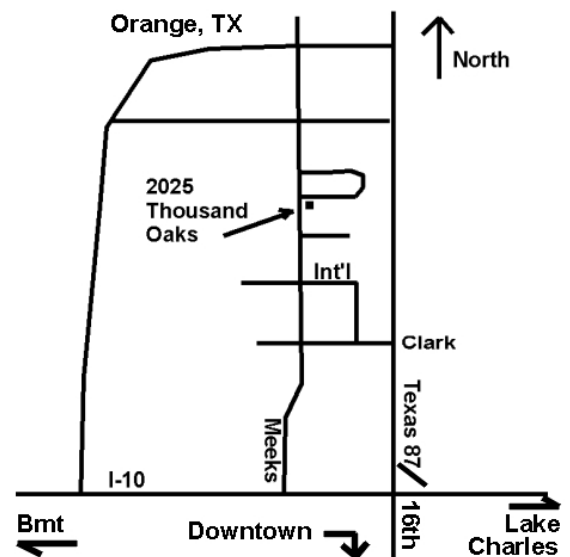
- Ogee bracket feet – similar to the directly attached feet, but made with mitered corners and decorative scroll work.

John covered detailed construction techniques, strength considerations, etc. He passed out an excellent handout with instructions and pictures. His handout will be posted on our website: [www.wwset.org](http://www.wwset.org).

## Saturday Meeting

John Phelps will also present a Saturday, hands on meeting, covering furniture bases in general, and specifically the Ogee Bracket Feet. The meeting will start at 1 PM on Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>.

Directions to John's shop:



Note:

Since it's a residential area, there's limited parking space. It would be helpful if you can carpool with other members.