



The DoveTale

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Woodworkers of SouthEast Texas

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Members:	54	Present:	18	Visitors:	1
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January 24th Meeting

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

Business items included:

- Waid Gauthier - about \$2,259
- Richard Hicks - 54 members - 41 renewals
- Web Site - Rob Emanuel reports that our website is operational and our new Facebook page is now active.
- Library - A lot of new books and videos are available for checkout

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Monday, February 28th at our regular meeting facility, 1685 Ashley in Beaumont. Jerry Shivers will discuss and demonstrate basic woodworking joints AND demonstrate a fast and accurate three step method of adjusting rail & stile router bits. 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. Be sure to bring a show and tell item.

Library

We have many new additions to our club library. David Mayer donated a box of books on a wide range of subjects from pen making to toy construction. We've also added copies of Woodworker's Essentials and Steel Square. As a reminder, we also have video copies of the recent programs and plan to make copies of future programs.

Renewals

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

So far, we've had 39 renewals. Our club bylaws require that I finalize the membership list before the March meeting, so please return your membership renewal as soon as you can. Or better yet, bring your renewal to the meeting and save the stamp. If you don't plan to renew, please let me know.

Programs

The January program was presented by David Mayer, Troy Gallier and Richard Hicks on designing and setting up a woodworking shop.

David discussed incorporating his woodshop as a three-car garage when they designed their new house. The thought was that if they sold the house, it would be easier to sell with a three car garage than a separate shop building. David also discussed and showed pictures of his custom storage solutions for his tools and supplies. With heat and air conditioning, David's shop is a pleasure to work in regardless of the weather.

Troy discussed using his existing two-car garage as a woodshop. He faced and solved a lot of challenges such as electrical power, lighting, dust collection and storage for equipment and supplies. His tools are on roller bases and he utilizes some unique storage options for his woodworking supplies.

Richard discussed his shop migration from one side of a two-car garage to a large shop that 'just happened' as he started his woodworking business. That shop had no organization or logical layout. When he recently moved to an apartment, he used the free shop design software on the Grizzly Tools website (www.grizzly.com) to layout the equipment placement when he moved to his son's shop.

As part of the program, David and Troy hosted an 'open shop tour' of their shops on Saturday. They had a good turn out and everyone enjoyed seeing their shops and asking questions about specific items of interest.

A DVD copy of their "Shops Program" is available in the club library.

Late Breaking News!

Our friends, Wes and Norma Vice recently resigned from Acadian Cypress and Hardwoods and opened their own business called Wes Vice Hardwoods and Supply.

They're located at 3407 N. Twin City Hwy (close to Happy Donuts) between Beaumont and Nederland. They carry the same type inventory and currently have a good supply of hardwoods as well as cabinet hardware. They will honor our gift certificates give club members a discount. They will also allow us to select boards that suit our projects.

Their phone is (409) 729-2876 and they are open from 7AM to 5PM, Monday through Friday. Stop by and check them out - you know they will treat you right.

Show & Tells



Philip Woodland shows his sycamore bowl with a lacquer finish.



and what to do about it.

Robert Emanuel shows a pen with a CA finish that clouded. He wondered what caused it to cloud



Mack Trahan showed a desk set with pens he made from old family Pecan and Mayhaw trees.



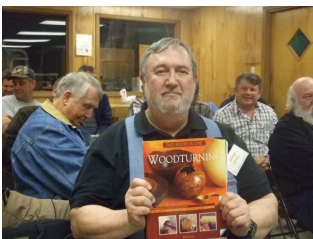
Larry Trahan shows several pens he made from a fishing rod holder belonging to a friend that died from cancer.



Tommy Ellis shows a picture of a 2' x 4' workbench that he made and uses as an out feed table for his saw



Waid Gauthier shows a new library book on country furniture design and construction.



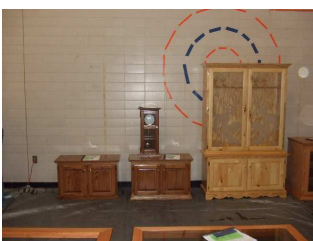
David Mayer shows a unique, two section book on wood turning he donated to the library.

Glen Kenney won the door prize, \$25 since he didn't have a show and tell item.

Industrial Arts Competition

Merv Guthrie, shop teacher from Vidor, visited our meeting and shared that there are still some school woodworking programs in the area. He discussed some of the ways our club might help with those programs and we will likely do that in the future.

He also told us about the Regional Industrial Arts Competition held on February 18 - 19. The projects were judged on Friday and the public could view the students work on Saturday at Lamar University in Beaumont.



There were quite a few schools represented and the quality of the work was impressive. These pictures are some of the projects from Vidor's program.



The students have a variety of projects to choose from and generally select projects that they, or their parents can use in their homes. The students purchase their own wood and supplies and work on the projects during school hours.



The students also had to compile project books that included a Bill of Material, detailed plans and documentation of the building process. Judges graded the projects and books according to specific guidelines and the best were qualified for entry in the state competition. Other skills are included in the Industrial Arts program such as cosmetology, metalworking, auto body repair, photography, and drafting.

It is gratifying to see that we still have students learning working skills in school and especially nice that we have some talented young woodworkers in the program.