



# The DoveTale

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Woodworkers of SouthEast Texas

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Members:	55	Present:	17	Visitors:	2
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Our Next Meeting will be Aug 24<sup>th</sup>

## July 27<sup>th</sup> Meeting

We held our June meeting at Steve Brady's shop. Business items included:

- Howard Hartman - Balance is \$2,790.87
- Richard Hicks - 55 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 WOOD, WOODSMITH, SHOP NOTES, WOODTURNING DESIGN - The Old Timer's Group will evaluate storage options for library materials
- Toy Drive - The Old Timer's group has stock ready for toy cradles.
- Old Timer's Group - The next meeting will be at 9AM on Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at Steve Brady's shop in Vidor.

## Next Meeting

Our next regular meeting will be on August 24<sup>th</sup> at Woodworker's Paradise in Lumberton. B.J. Holt will present a program on staining and finishing a roll-top desk.

The meeting will start at 7PM and I'll be there early to take pictures of your show and tell items. Be sure to bring a chair and show and tell item.

## Old Timer's Group

By Rebecca Phelps

The Old Timer's met on August 1<sup>st</sup> at Steve Brady's shop in Vidor. Eleven members worked on using the new vacuum table to laminate portable router table tops, drawing and cutting out hobby horse heads, building jigs for the drill press, making a "Sam" elevator [the previously described Phelps geriatric equalizer has now reached new heights with the Sam elevator!], and drawing and cutting out more puzzles. Those attending, and having a very good time, included: Lyman Frugia, Ivan Test, Earl Rutherford, David and Lolly Mayer, Dean Partridge, Sam Tobey, Red Dressel, Steve Brady, and John and Rebecca Phelps. A lunch of ham and turkey sandwiches, chips, and homemade chocolate chip cookies was served at noon. Since this meeting took place in August, the next meeting will be Sept. 26.

## Show and Tells



Raymond Fontenote used his router and special bits to construct this dished out bowl.



Jerry Shivers brought photos of a China cabinet that he built to match an existing one. He used quarter-sawn white oak.



Dean Partridge shows a toy baby bed that will be part of our toy project this year.



Rebecca Phelps brought her new Micro-Mark miniature bandsaw.

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

## Program

Dee Gipson, a professional carving teacher and carver with years of experience, presented a program. He explained the various steps in getting from the rough-out blank to the finished piece.



Dee starts students out with a blank, and from there he teaches them to add details like muscle definition, ears, eyes, etc. Then the finer details like hair are finished with a wood burner.



Dee teaches carving at his studio or at carving shows in four different categories: caricatures, animals, Santas, and ornaments. If you would like to contact Dee about carving lessons, his contact information is:

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Much thanks to Dee for his great presentation!

## Tool Review

Troy Gallier brought the instruction manual for and talked about a 1953 bandsaw that had a tilting arbor instead of the tilting table found on most saws today.