



The DoveTale

July 2019

Woodworkers of SouthEast Texas

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Members:	54	Present:	18	Visitors:	0
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Our Next Meeting will be Aug 26th

July 22nd Meeting

We held the July meeting at our regular meeting location, 1685 Ashley in Beaumont. Business items included:

- Waid Gauthier - about \$2,725
- Richard Hicks - 54 Members
- Toys - Plenty of supplies in stock - 360 toys completed so far - Fresh supply of wood available
- Web Site - Web site is up to date
- Library - Reminder that library materials are checked out for one month at a time.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Monday, August 26th, 2019 at our regular meeting facility, 1685 Ashley in Beaumont. Richard Hicks will present the program "Designing and Building a Curio Shelf".

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.

Swap Meet

Our second swap meet for 2019 will be on August 31st from 9AM until 12 noon at our regular meeting facility, 1685 Ashley in Beaumont.

We'll have tables setup so you can display your items for sale or swap. We'll also have a table of FREE excess library magazines.

For liability reasons the swap meet is not open to the public - only members can attend. If you bring a guest or family member, you must escort them 100% of the time.

Winnie Rice Festival

The 50th annual Winnie Rice Festival will be held October 2 thru October 5, 2019. Unfortunately they plan to have the 50th anniversary celebration displays in the vendor area so they WILL NOT have a vendor area and we WILL NOT have a club booth this year.

SWAT

For the wood turners in the club, the SouthWest Association of Turners will hold their annual symposium August 23 thru August 25 in Waco, Texas. They plan to have

a number of local, national and internationally famous turners doing a number of presentations during the three day event. They also will have an "Instant Gallery" of turned items and a large group of vendors displaying the latest turning tools.

Online registration is closed, but you can still register at the event on August 22nd. You can find more information online at: <http://www.swaturners.org>

Tool Reviews



John Heard shows a LARGE Bostitch nail gun. It drives large ring shank nails to nail the full size 2" x 4" framing material.

Show & Tells



John Heard showed pictures of a house he's helping to build for his brother. He's using pine he harvested and milled with his sawmill - that's why he needed the large nail gun.



Richard Spinney shows a piece of bone he's carving for the head of a walking cane he's making for Mark.



John Payne shows some bowling pins he salvaged from a bowling alley. He removed the plastic cover and returned the pin.



Tommy Frank emailed pictures of a large wooden boat he's building in his warehouse shop.

Waid Gauthier won the door prize, \$25 since he didn't have a woodworking show & tell. Earl Rutherford and Jim Thibaut won the Craft Supplies gift certificates.

Program

Jim Thibaut presented the program about designing and building a table representing the various religious symbols he and his wife saw on a vacation trip to the Holy Land.

He started with a 59" Spanish cedar table top he made about 2 years earlier for an outdoor table project. Jim decided to do overlay and inlay objects representing the various symbols using the natural colors of various exotic woods from his extensive collection.

He started by banding the top in purple heart and then drawing the various designs directly on the table top.



Then he started making the various overlays and inlays to fill out the top of the table. After he finished all of the overlays and inlays, he finished the table top with brushed Urethane.

Then Jim designed the pedestal and then made templates so he could design and fit the joints of the legs.



He laminated the legs using yellow heart and purpleheart wood. Then he completed the pedestal by

making a centerpiece and base and mounting

the legs to them. He added a "Star of David" inlay to the base of the pedestal. The table can be disassembled when it needs to be moved.



The finished table is:

- 59" in diameter
- 29 ½" tall
- Weighs over 250 pounds
- Used 18 different species of wood
- General Finishes Urethane finish
- Titebond III glue
- Took about 17 months to build

Jim plans to add a glass top to the table for protection.

Thanks Jim for an excellent presentation. A video copy of his presentation is available in our library and a copy of his presentation slides is available on our website.

Shop Fire

On August 10, 2019 club member Larry Trahan's shop caught on fire. Larry and his father, club member Mack Trahan, used the shop for woodworking and other household chores. All of their tools (along with other household items) were destroyed in the fire. Fortunately, no one was injured and their house was not damaged.

As woodworkers, we are all aware of the fire hazards we have and create in our shops.

Larry is sharing the information about his fire with the hope that we can all benefit and avoid a similar situation.

Larry's shop is a metal building with garage doors on either end and a 3' entrance door. When they discovered the fire, they had time to move one piece of mobile equipment out of the building and their car out of the driveway. Then the garage door crashed down. Key learning; the door could have injured them when it unexpectedly closed or it could have trapped them inside the burning building. When the fire department arrived, they cut into the doors and the roof in order to put out the flames - that caused significant damage to the building.

The cause of the fire is still under investigation; the fire marshal thinks an electrical short may have caused it and the insurance inspector is looking at flammables and lithium-ion batteries for things like power tools as the cause. He was also looking at finishing materials and rags and considers linseed oil (and varnishes that contain it) to be the most hazardous finishing material we use.

Larry is confident that they will recover from the fire and he is thankful no one was injured.