



The DoveTale

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Members:	56	Present:	13	Visitors:	0
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Our Next Meeting will be July 23rd

June 25th Meeting

We held our June meeting at Dr. Vardiman's shop. Business items included:

- Howard Hartman - Balance is \$2,796.11
- Richard Hicks - Membership at 56
- Web Site - Rob Emanuel reports he's going to redesign our website: www.wwset.org
- Toy Project: Glen Kenney has agreed to head our toy drive this year.
- Library - we've added two new Intarsia books to the library
- Programs: New incentives for program presenters - contact Rob Emanuel
- Steve Brady will continue to handle our raffles.

Our Next Meetings

Our next regular meeting will be Monday, July 23rd at Acadian Hardwoods starting at 7PM. Rob Emanuel will present a program on cabinet scrapers. Using a scraper is about the only way to work with figured woods.

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

Club Social

Glen Kenney suggested that we have a club social and volunteered the use of his shop, pool and Barbeque pit. Dean Partridge and Raymond Fontenote will work with Glen to plan the event. Stay tuned for more information!

Show & Tells



from Sue Caldwell.

Dean Partridge made a router bit holder that fits inside a roll top breadbox. He exchanged it for a Mickey Mouse intarsia



Howard Hartman has a new hammer, but it's for display only! It has Dallas Cowboys logos all over it.



keep them from cracking.

Raymond Fontenote turned these items from green wood. He boiled them and soaked them in denatured alcohol to



John Phelps is making progress on his tombstone spice cabinet project from the Alabama Woodworker's Guild.



Rebecca Phelps brought a color brochure of the Alabama Guild's projects from last year.

Tool Review



John Phelps showed us his new Veritas Surface Clamp. It provides firm clamping action anywhere you have a 3/4" hole. It's made from anodized aluminum and brass. Check it out at www.leevalley.com

Program

We met at Dr. Vardiman's shop to see his almost completed boat. He's been working on the boat for about 19 years. Hurricane Rita severely damaged his house so he's had to do a lot of carpentry work. Luckily, his boat and shop had minimal damage and he's making a lot of progress on the boat now. He hopes to launch his boat later this year.

His boat will have schooner-rigged sails – just like the Malabar II (used in the movie "Message in a bottle"). When the wind isn't blowing, he'll rely on a 80 horsepower Perkins Diesel engine. He picked the Perkins engine because it generates a lot of power at a low rpm.

The following pictures are courtesy of Rebecca Phelps.

Exterior pictures:



Bow of the boat



Deck towards bow



Helm and hatch



Dr. Vardiman's shop

Interior pictures:



Electrical controls



Galley area



Bunk area



Main cabin port side



Club member Richard Osborn built the louvered galley door. He had to design and build a special jig to cut the slots in the frame for the louvers.

Dr. Vardiman invited us to help him move and launch the boat when it's finished.

Saturday Program Meeting



Howard Hartman hosted the club for the hands-on part of his band sawn box program. He explained the step-

by-step process he uses to make intricate boxes from all sorts of wood- tree limbs to kiln dried lumber.



Here's some of Howard's boxes. Some have drawers and others have tops that swing open. He also makes a line of

alphabet boxes. The tree limb boxes are all very unique - he leaves the bark on and uses twigs for the handles.

After Howard went through each of the



steps he uses when making a box, he asked for a volunteer to make a box. Lolly Mayer agreed and started making her

box. Here, she's cutting the top and bottom panels on the band saw.



In this picture, she's cutting the drawer out of the interior of the body of the box. Except for drilling the holes for things

like the pivot post on the top, all of the steps involve using a band saw. The steps have to be done in a certain order or the box cannot be constructed properly. Howard suggests that you sand each piece as you cut it out because you may not be able to get to some of them after they are glued back together.



Here, Lolly is gluing the cut she made to take the interior out of the drawer and adding the bottom back to the drawer.

After the glue dries, she'll sand the drawer, add a pull and have a complete drawer. After gluing the top and bottom back on the body of the box, she'll re-sand the edges and apply a finish. Now, Lolly has a one-of-a-kind band sawn box of her own.

Thanks, Howard, for sharing your method of making band sawn boxes.

Door Prize

Paul Smith won the door prize - \$25 since he didn't have a show & tell.