



The DoveTale

March 2009

Woodworkers of SouthEast Texas

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Members:	54	Present:	19	Visitors:	2
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Our Next Meeting will be April 27th

March 23rd Meeting

We held our March meeting at Acadian Cypress & Hardwoods in Rose City. Business items included:

- Howard Hartman - Balance is \$2,326.46
- Richard Hicks - 54 members
- Web Site - Rob Emanuel reports that our website www.wwset.org is back in operation.
- Library - We currently subscribe to WOOD, WOODSMITH, SHOP NOTES, WOODTURNING DESIGN - John Phelps, Howard Hartman and Rob Emanuel will review the library and its use
- Programs: New incentives for program presenters - contact John Phelps, Glen Kenny or Tod Braquet

Membership renewals

The formal renewal period closed with 54 renewals. Those that haven't renewed yet may do so by contacting me:

Richard Hicks
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Work Bench Raffle

Steve Brady is selling tickets for the work bench raffle. The tickets are \$5 each and he's sold 15 tickets so far. The raffle will last for six months and it will be open to the general public as well as club members. Proceeds from the raffle will be used for general club project needs. John Phelps has agreed to assist in the minor repairs the table needs.

Business Items

Business items included:

A discussion about providing meals at the regular Saturday meetings since we are providing them for the Old Timers Group. Tod Braquet made a motion to provide the meals, John Phelps seconded it and the motion passed.

A discussion about participation in the Winnie Rice Festival in October. A lot of interest and the club will pursue getting a booth and possibly selling toys to help finance the club's toy drive.

Tod Braquet won the door prize - again - and he didn't have a show and tell so it was only \$25.

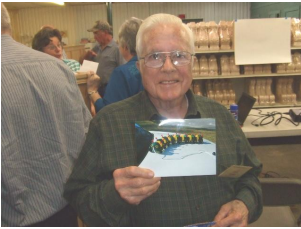
Show & Tell



Earl Rutherford made an artist easel box for a friend.



Ken Berry shows a small badge clock and a large 'law firm' clock he made with his home-built CNC carving machine.



Sam Toby brought a picture of a segmented toy worm. Sam says the painting was a real chore!

Not Pictured:

Carolyn Williams brought pictures of the gazebo she built for Shangri-La gardens in Orange.



Dean Partridge is setup to make raised panel doors with his 3- router table. Lining up the rail & stile cutters proved

to be a challenge.

Red Dressel brought a vase he turned from a piece of 'river wood' he got from Steve Brady.

Program

Rob Emanuel presented a program about scroll sawing Intarsia. He discussed the following steps he used to make his 'horse head' intarsia.



Howard Hartman made a dinosaur pull toy with moveable legs and head out of 'shop scraps'.

- Pick a pattern - your first one should be an easy one
- Enlarge on a copy machine and make about 8 copies of each area if it all won't fit on one page
- Number the parts and group like colored parts when possible
- When separating into sections, leave a $\frac{1}{2}$ " border for gluing the pattern
- Use a spray hobby adhesive - you can get it at Walmart
- Wax your saw table to make it easy to maneuver the parts
- Use a #7 or #9 skip tooth blade for clean cuts
- Transfer the numbers to the back of the parts as you cut them out



John Phelps brought a couple of legs for a pedestal table to demonstrate a mistake he made with the jig he used to cut

the groove.



Rob Emanuel displays the intarsia horse he made for his program presentation. Mostly western red cedar with white pine.

Rob suggests:

- Buying extra wood - just in case you have a problem with some of the pieces

- Wearing good dust protection - especially when sanding and contouring the pieces
- Dry fitting ALL of the pieces on your backing board BEFORE you actually glue any of the pieces

Rob uses:

- DAP Strong Stick glue - it has a medium working time and stays in place while you're working the other pieces into position
- $\frac{1}{4}$ " plywood for the backing board - less chance of warping
- Three coats of wipe-on poly finish - it comes in satin as well as gloss
- 120 grit abrasive on his Guinevere stationary sander (made by King Arthur Tools) to contour and sand the pieces

Rob, thanks for an excellent and inspirational program on intarsia.

Old Timers Group

By Rebecca Phelps

The first meeting of the Old Timer's Group occurred Saturday, March 21 at Steve Brady's shop. There were 10 people who participated in the projects of the day. The projects included constructing a clamp-on, portable router table, constructing a panel cutter sled for the table saw, beginning construction of the torsion table for the vacuum veneer table, making a jig to cut circles of all sizes, drawing patterns for cutting out puzzles, and using the scroll saw to cut out puzzles.

One additional project that didn't get underway because of equipment problems was stock preparation for the boxes the club makes for the toy drive. Club members participating in the event were Steve Brady, Dean Partridge, Sam Tobey, Larry Neff, Red Dressel, Kathy Dressel, Earl Rutherford, Ken Berry, John and Rebecca Phelps. New club member Ken Berry brought two CNC clocks he

is making that feature intricate carvings from a computer driven setup at his shop. The next meeting of the Old Timer's Group will be Sat., Apr. 25 from 9 am to 12 noon.

Next Club Meeting

Our next regular meeting will be Monday, April 27th at Acadian Cypress and Hardwoods in Rose City starting at 7PM. Be sure to bring a chair and a show and tell item. I'll be there early to take pictures of your show & tells.