



# The DoveTale

March 2010

Woodworkers of SouthEast Texas

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Members:	52	Present:	22	Visitors:	1
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## March 22<sup>nd</sup> Meeting

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

- Waid Gauthier - Balance is \$2,999.00
- Richard Hicks - 52 members - Membership list has been finalized and a roster has been issued.
- 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 WOODSMITH, SHOP NOTES - Rob is organizing the library materials for easier checkout and inventory

## Building Improvements

We've had some nice turnouts for the meetings and an overflow crowd in February. Jeffrey Fritz, the owner of the building, agreed to let us remove the wall that separates the meeting room and the library. Dean Partridge, Sam Toby and Richard Hicks removed the wall in time for the March meeting and finished the trim work after the meeting. This doubled our meeting room size

and relieves some of the crowding. Jeffery also loaned us more chairs so we don't have to bring our own chairs to the meetings.

## Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at our regular meeting facility, 1685 Ashley in Beaumont. The business meeting will start at 6:30 and the regular meeting will be at 7:00. Be sure to bring a show and tell item.

## Programs

Troy Gallier is looking for some help with the programs this year. If you can share your expertise in certain areas of woodworking, please consider presenting a program so the rest of us can benefit from your knowledge. If you've done a program in the past, please consider presenting it again. We have a lot of new members, many of whom are new woodworkers, that would benefit from your program.

Contact Troy at 769-8293 and he can help you schedule your presentation and make arrangements for any visual aids you need.

## Sad to Report

Club member, John L. "Tee Bruce" Broussard, passed away on Thursday, March 18<sup>th</sup>. He was very active in the local music scene and hosted a local Cajun Music radio show for many years.

Tee Bruce also loved woodworking and made Cajun accordions for many of the local musicians. He also made other woodworking items like the roll-top breadboxes and small jewelry boxes using the miniature rail & stile cutters from Mark Summerfield. He also worked part-time at Woodworker's Paradise in Lumberton and was always willing to share his woodworking knowledge.

We'll miss your smiling face at the meetings "Tee Bruce"!

I'm also sad to report that long-time club member Lyman Frugia's wife, Doris, passed away on Tuesday, April 6<sup>th</sup> after a short illness.

## Dr. Vardiman's Boat



After 20 plus years of dedicated hard work, Dr. Vardiman's boat was moved to the water on April 14<sup>th</sup>.

The boat will stay at the shipyard marina while it is "rigged out," and then it will probably move to Galveston.



It was moved by a professional moving company using a low boy trailer.



As a refresher, his boat is 42 feet long "on the deck". The backbone and ribs are East Texas White Oak and the hull is Honduras Mahogany from the waterline down and Florida Cedar above the waterline. The boat will have "Schooner Rigging" and will look a lot like the ship, the Malabar II, in the movie "Message in a Bottle".



Beaumont, Texas.

Richard Spinney carved the name plaques that Dr. Vardiman will attach to the stern of the boat. The ship's name is the Bradna Rose out of

Thanks to Richard for the excellent pictures he took while the boat was being moved.

## Show & Tell



Earl Rutherford likes long and strong handles for his lathe tools, so he started making his own.



Steve Brady made this Oak hall table. It had turned and fluted legs.



legs.

Earl Rutherford made a table similar to Steve's. They had to make a special jig for their lathe to cut the flutes in the



Sam Toby also made one of the hall tables. They modified plans from one of the woodworking magazines.



Jerry Shivers made this white oak cradle. The baby girl can use it for a doll cradle when she outgrows it.



Steve Brady bought a Vice-Grip clamp that functions like a pipe clamp.



Richard Spinney carved the boat name plaques for Dr. Vardiman's boat, the Bradna Rose.



Richard also brought a band saw box that he made from an old wooden hand plane.



Troy Gallier brought a copy of the announcement for the upcoming Woodworking Show in Katy, TX.



Larry Landry made this router table from plans from the New Yankee Workshop. Larry won the door prize.



Rebecca Phelps brought a DVD with an index of all the past issues of Fine Woodworking Magazine.



Dee Gipson, our newest club member, turned this lidded bowl out of Juniper.

## Program

Raymond Fontenote presented a program about making dished out bowls and serving pieces with his router. He bought the original kit from the CMT Orange Company that included the bits and patterns. He's since made some of his own designs and patterns. WOOD magazine recently had a pattern and article for a chip and dip tray and he plans to build it.



Raymond has developed some time saving techniques for his projects, such as 'hogging out' some of the excess material with a Camelot carving tool. You can also use a forester bit to remove the excess material. On some of the deeper pieces, he actually makes them in layers and saws out the excess material.



The final outside shaping is done on a sanding disk mounted on a table or radial arm saw. He uses an air tool to sand out the interior of the project and uses WATCO Butcher Block oil as a 'food safe' finish.



Thanks Raymond for an excellent program.

## Toy Drive

Dean Partridge and Sam Toby have been working to get the donated wood cleaned up for the toy drive. Rebecca Phelps made a motion, and Troy Gallier seconded it, that the club allocate \$500 for supplies and materials for this year's toy drive. The motion passed.