



The DoveTale

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| Members: | 52 | Present: | 24 | Visitors: | 1 |
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Our Next Meeting will be June 28th

May 24th Meeting

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

- Waid Gauthier - Balance is \$2660.41
- Richard Hicks - 52 members
- Web Site - Rob Emanuel reports that our website www.wwset.org is back in operation and we need more pictures for our gallery
- Library - Larry Trahan is our new librarian and David Mayer will assist Larry

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Monday, June 28th at our regular meeting facility, 1685 Ashley in Beaumont. 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. Be sure to bring a show and tell item. We have plenty of chairs, so there's no need to bring one. The owner of Schmidt Saw & Knife in Beaumont will present a program about saw blades.

Toy Drive

Dean Partridge discussed the impact of a new (February 2010) federal law governing the materials and shapes for items that are used by children. The law was originally intended to regulate imported toys that contain lead based paints and small items that can be a choking hazard. However, it also applies to the wooden toys we make and donate to local charities. The law will impact the puzzles that we intended to make as well as the toy planes that had small wheels. If you have ideas for toys for this years drive, please discuss them with Dean to make sure they meet the new regulations. Approved plans, materials and wheels are available from Dean. You can contact Dean at 722-7647

Library

In addition to being the club Web Master, Rob Emanuel has been our club librarian for a number of years. His regular job is requiring more time and travel, so he asked for help with the library. Larry Trahan volunteered and he will be our new club librarian and David Mayer will assist him. Please contact Larry at 866-3075 or David at 860-5547 for your library needs or suggestions. Rob, thanks for your hard work keeping the library active and especially for getting our library reorganized after Hurricane Ike.

Tool Reviews



Sue Caldwell brought her "Wonder Wheel". She uses it to texture her intarsia pieces. It's available from Judy Gale Roberts's website:

www.intarsia.com for \$35.95 plus shipping.

Troy Gallier brought his I-Gauging electronic angle gauge. It has the same functionality as the Wixey gauge, plus it has a 'reading hold' button that locks the reading so you can remove the gauge and read the angle or transfer the angle to other places. It's really useful for setting precise blade angles on a table saw or table angles on a bandsaw or drill press.



Tommy Ellis brought a large, multi-piece vase from Haiti and some pictures of a set of cabinets he made.



Larry Trahan brought brochures for Heritage Homestead in Waco where he took a hand tool course.

Sue Caldwell won the door prize, \$35 since she had a show and tell item.

New A/V Equipment

The club discussed the possibility of acquiring a new projector - capable of displaying photos from a computer, VCR, or camera - to be used during program presentations. Rebecca Phelps made a motion to purchase a projector, not to exceed \$500, and David Mayer seconded. The motion passed. Richard Hicks will handle the purchase.

Show & Tell



Steve Brady made a rustic pine picture frame for his mother.



Winnie Rudd brought an intarsia cross and dove made from walnut and maple.



Richard Hicks brought a walnut gavel he made as a model for a customer.

Program

Richard Hicks presented a program on the alignment and turning of a bandsaw. Key points:

- Clean the saw
- Verify that the wheels are "coplanar" to each other
- Tune up the saw blades
- Use proper blade tension
- Adjust blade guides

A copy of his handout is attached.