



# The DoveTale

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Members:	45	Present:	17	Visitors:	0
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Our Next Meeting will be June 22<sup>nd</sup>

## May 25<sup>th</sup> Meeting

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

- Waid Gauthier - about \$1,733
- Richard Hicks - 45 members
- Toys - See Sam, Richard or Red for toy patterns and parts.
- Web Site - Rob Emanuel - Web site is up to date
- Library - Mark compiled and distributed a list of the books and videos you can checkout for a month from our library.

## Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 at our regular meeting facility, 1685 Ashley in Beaumont. Troy Gallier will cover the completion of the construction of our new table.

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.

## Safety Pause

Richard Hicks showed examples of push



blocks he uses for his table saw, router table and jointer. Push blocks can be as simple as a block of wood and as elaborate as the Micro-Jig Grr-Ripper. The main purpose of a push block is to provide better control of the wood as it's being



machined and keeping your hands as far away from the blade as possible.

## Show & Tell



David Mayer shows his Grr-Ripper which is a multi-purpose push tool that he uses on his table saw and router table.



Robert Emanuel shows his pelican intarsia made with pine and western red cedar. Rob has his intarsia in a gift shop in Galveston.



Steve Brady shows a picture of his white oak blanket chest he made while taking a woodworking class from Jerry Shivers.



Richard Hicks shows a dust vacuum attachment he designed to use with his Robo-Sander.

Michael Newell won the door prize, \$35 since he had a show & tell item. Don Ball, Richard Hicks and Thomas Ellis won the Craft Supplies gift certificates.

## Tool Reviews

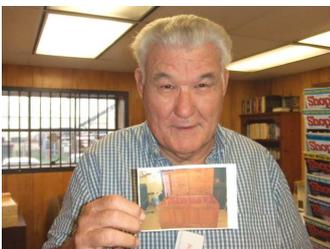


Jerry Shivers shows a walnut mantle clock he made using a design by Pat Ford, a former shop teacher.



Raymond Fontenote brought his new dial indicator alignment tool he purchased from Peachtree.

## Program



Thomas Ellis shows a picture of his blanket chest he made while taking a woodworking class from Jerry Shivers

Jerry Shivers brought the completed parts of the club table and 'dry assembled' the table so the club members could see what the finished table would look like. Construction of the table will continue, but we will work at Jerry's shop in Fannett and work more than one day per month. We plan to work on Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> and install the corbels



Michael Newell shows one of a set of rustic picture frames he made for some graduation pictures.



and finish 'dry fitting' the table components. Then we'll meet Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup> to build the drawers, fabricate



Terry Turney shows a small table he rebuilt, with a 'coffin shape' design veneered top.

and install the drawer runners and glue up the table top. Another workday is planned for Wednesday June 10<sup>th</sup> to complete the top and mount it on the table base.

## Club Table Workday June 3<sup>rd</sup>



Club members met June 3<sup>rd</sup> and sanded the completed table parts, installed the corbels and



finished "dry fitting" the table. When the day was finished, the table was ready to glue together. John Bourgeois carved

our club name in the lower table stretcher with his CNC machine.

## Club Table Workday June 6<sup>th</sup>



Jerry and his wife glued up the table so it was ready to have the drawer runners installed and the drawers made and fitted.

Club members met on Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup> to fabricate, and install the internal drawer runners. After they finished with the runners, they watched as Jerry machined the dovetails and dados for the three drawers. Club member Richard Spinney left with the front of the large center drawer - he plans to add some custom carving details to the drawer.

## Club Table Workday June 10<sup>th</sup>

The members met and finished fabricating the tabletop. That involved using Jerry's twin drum wide sander to flatten the top. Then we cut the top to the specified length and width and used a router with a 1/8" roundover bit to

radius all of the edges and corners. As a final step, they sanded the top to get it ready for staining and finishing.

The next step involved mounting the table top to the frame using 'figure 8' connectors that will allow the top to 'move' with changes in the humidity and not split or break the table frame.



At the end of the day, we had completed the construction of the table. All that remains is the

carving on the center drawer front and the final assembly and fitting of the center drawer. Then, Waid Gauthier will stain and finish the table.