



The DoveTale

November 2008

Woodworkers of SouthEast Texas

Officers:

President Glen Kenny, 727-8092
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Web Master Rob Emanuel, 729-9315
Toy Project Rebecca Phelps, 883-7437

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| Members: | 53 | Present: | 15 | Visitors: | 1 |
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Our Next Meeting will be Jan 26th

November 24th Meeting

We held our November meeting at Woodworker's Paradise in Lumberton.

Business items included:

- Howard Hartman - Balance is \$2,104.39
- Richard Hicks - Currently at 53 members Starting renewals
- Web Site - Rob Emanuel reports that our website www.wwset.org is back in operation.
- Toy Project: We had a couple of toy workshops at Steve's shop.
- Library - We currently subscribe to WOOD, WOODSMITH, SHOP NOTES, WOODTURNING DESIGN - John Phelps, Howard Hartman and Rob Emanuel will review the library and it's use
- Programs: New incentives for program presenters - contact John Phelps, Glen Kenny or Tod Braquet

Our Next Meeting

Acadian Hardwoods has finished their repairs, at least to the extent that they have invited us to resume our meeting there. Wes

has done a really nice job with the remodeling and repairs.

Rebecca Phelps will present the program and will cover making tops and whistles on the lathe.

Club Election

The nominating committee presented the following slate of officers for 2009:

- Vice President Tod Braquet
- Secretary Richard Hicks
- Treasurer Howard Hartman

There were no nominations from the floor and the slate of officers was elected by acclamation. They will meet during the holidays to plan for the upcoming year and officially take office at the January meeting.

Club Library

As previously reported, our library cart was severely damaged by the Hurricane Ike storm surge. The books stored in the bottom of the cart were destroyed. The cart and remaining items at stored at Steve Brady's shop. Tod Braquet has the moisture meter and alignment guage.

The club officers believe the library is at a "crossroads" - do we repair the cart and replenish the library or discontinue it? Some believe the library is a necessary part of the club, while others don't believe it is used very little.

In an effort to resolve the issue, we need input from YOU, the club members. We will discuss and decide the future of the library at the Jan 26th meeting.

If you use the club library, please contact:

- Rebecca Phelps 883-7437 ,or
- Rob Emanuel 729-9315 , or
- Richard Hicks 553-6157

before the next meeting (January 26th). If we don't hear from you, we'll assume that you don't use the library.

Membership renewals

We have 28 renewals so far. Remember, according to our club bylaws, renewals are due by February and the final roster is published in March. Dues are still \$24 per year. It really helps me if you renew by mail. Send the renewals to:

Richard Hicks
3849 Memorial Blvd
Port Arthur, Texas 77640

Old Timer's Club

John Phelps would like to get a group of club members together and call it the "Old Timer's Club". They would meet on Wednesdays and work on toys and other club projects. This is similar to the group at the Alabama Woodworking Guild. Please contact John at 883-7437 if you're interested.

John will also start teaching a small woodworking class shortly. It will be limited

to 3 or 4 people. Details will be announced at the January meeting.

Toy Drive

The club made a VERY LARGE number of toys this year. The receiving agencies are always



grateful for the toys we make. They say the parents like them because they are sturdy and

don't require batteries. This is a picture of one fourth of the toys after they were divided and packaged for distribution. Thanks to everyone that donated their time and efforts to make the toys.

Dean Partridge has agreed to lead the toy drive for 2009.

Show & Tells



Earl Rutherford turned these two goblets from a piece of Black Cherry. He uses a lacquer finish on his turned works.



John Phelps constructed this small drawer with dovetails and a raised panel front. John also won the door prize for

November.



Howard Hartman made a lot of toys this year, including this walnut toy iron.

- Don't forget to renew your membership before the February deadline.



Lyman Frugia made a couple several duck calls out of mesquite. They even sounded like ducks!



Steve Brady bought this Milwaukee angle drill to use as a sander on his turned pieces. The angle is just right to get inside bowls.

Shop Safety

John recently had to make some thin stock for a project. Everything went well, until the stock got really thin and started to break up in the planer. The small pieces were ejected from the planer and could have easily caused an injury. The piece of wood was also ruined. John suggests using a drum sander if you need to reduce your stock thickness below 3/16".

Reminders

Just a few reminders:

- Be sure to attend the January 26th meeting - a lot of items will be discussed and decided at the meeting. We need YOUR input on these items.
- Be sure to bring a chair - we're not sure if the club chairs survived the storm.