



The DoveTale

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Woodworkers of SouthEast Texas

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Members:	53	Present:	16	Visitors:	1
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Our Next Meeting will be Nov 24th

October 27th Meeting

We held our October meeting at Steve Brady's shop in Vidor. Business items included:

- Howard Hartman - Balance is \$2,295.30
- Richard Hicks - Currently at 53 members - Time to start 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. Please bring completed toys to the November meeting so they can be sorted and distributed.
- 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
- Note: Acadian suffered a lot of water damage from Hurricane Ike, so the November meeting will be at Woodworker's Paradise in Lumberton

Our Next Meeting

Woodworker's Paradise in Lumberton will host our next meeting on November 24th starting at 7PM. We will elect our club officers for 2009, sort the toys for distribution to the charities and have a brief discussion of the plans for next year. Be sure to bring a chair and a show and tell item. I'll be there early to take pictures of your show & tells.

Club Election

The nominating committee nominated the following slate of officers be for 2009:

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

The election will be held at the November meeting and nominations will be accepted from the floor.

Show & Tells



Steve Brady showed us a positive air-flow dust hood made by Triton he found at the recent Atlanta Woodworking Show.



Howard Hartman brought a belt buckle made from Osage Orange that turned from yellow to a dark brown over time.



Richard Spinney brought two walking sticks with handles carved from shed moose horns.



Rob Emanuel showed two Holly bowls he turned. One was finished with wipe-on poly and the other with SellaWax.



Tod Braquet made some Red Oak replacement parts for some dining room chairs.



Kenneth Barry made this children's bookcase and decorated the sides with a home-made CNC router machine.

Program

Richard Spinney presented a program



describing the steps involved in making a wooden plane. Richard found some old planes at flea markets and offered to sell them to

club members so they could salvage the metal castings and make new planes.

Richard suggested making the plane body out of contracting woods, like walnut and maple. Measure the opening in the center of the old plane and make the dark wood the same



width. Match the angles on the existing center section, typically 45 degrees on the back section and 9 and 7 degrees on the front section. Use a miter saw to cut the angles.



Make the side slabs out of a light colored wood like maple. They should be at least $\frac{1}{4}$ " thick and the full length of the old plane.

Glue the side slabs to the center section. It's critical to position the center sections so



that the space between them matches the old plane body. Use pieces of the same woods to construct the handle and the

front knob. Carefully measure the angle of the mounting hole in the handle and use a sturdy clamp to hold the handle while drilling the hole.



Sand, apply the finish of your choice and mount the hardware and you will have a beautiful hand plane to use or display.

Richard also presented a 'hands-on' Saturday program and helped several members machine the parts for their planes. Thanks Richard, for a very informative program.

Renewals

Well, it's that time again - time to renew your club membership. I hope you enjoyed all of the club activities this year. I believe we'll have an even better 2009!

I've sent your renewal information by 'snail mail'. Please verify your information and return the card along with a check for \$24 payable to W.W.S.E.T. in the enclosed envelope. If you aren't planning to renew, please let me know.

It really helps me a lot if you renew by mail.

Clean Up Your Woodpile

To all of the club members who have scraps of wood in your shop, now is your opportunity to help with the Christmas toy-making drive and clean up your shop at the same time! The Toy Committee asks for your help in making sets of blocks for children to build whatever drives their imagination at the moment. Each set should contain enough pieces to mostly fill a 1 gallon size Ziploc bag. It can be a mix of wood species and colors or all the same—it doesn't matter. The blocks should be cut from at least 3/4 inch stock. There should be an assortment of sizes, such as:

3/4" x 2" x 2"

3/4" x 2" x 4"

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Please sand and blunt or round the corners of the blocks. Remember kids will be playing with them.

If every member of the club makes just one set, it would be a great contribution to our toy making effort this year!

Basic Shop Tools and Their General Purpose VOCABULARY:

Submitted by David Rutledge

DRILL PRESS: A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, denting the freshly-painted vertical stabilizer which you had carefully set in the corner where nothing could get to it.

WIRE WHEEL: Cleans paint off bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprints and hard-earned cleco calluses from fingers in about the time it takes you to say, "Oh ****!"

ELECTRIC HAND DRILL: Normally used for spinning pop rivets in their holes until you die of old age.

SKILL SAW: A portable cutting tool used to make studs too short.

PLIERS: Used to round off bolt heads. Sometimes used in the creation of blood-blisters.

BELT SANDER: An electric sanding tool commonly used to convert minor touch-up jobs into major refinishing jobs.

HACKSAW: One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle. It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

WISE-GRIPS: Generally used after pliers to completely round off bolt heads. If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

WELDING GLOVES: Heavy duty leather gloves used to prolong the conduction of intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

OXYACETYLENE TORCH: Used almost entirely for lighting various flammable objects in your shop on fire. Also handy for igniting the grease inside the wheel hub you want the bearing race out of.

TABLE SAW: A large stationary power tool commonly used to launch wood projectile and for testing wall integrity.

HYDRAULIC FLOOR JACK: Used for lowering an automobile to the ground after you have installed your new brake shoes, trapping the jack handle firmly under the bumper.

EIGHT-FOOT LONG YELLOW PINE 2X4: Used for levering an automobile upward off of a trapped hydraulic jack handle.

E-Z OUT BOLT AND STUD EXTRACTOR: A tool ten times harder than any known drill bit that snaps neatly off in bolt holes thereby ending any possible future use.

BAND SAW: A large stationary power saw primarily used by most shops to cut good aluminum sheet into smaller pieces that more easily fit into the trash can after you cut on the inside of the line instead of the outside edge.

TWO-TON ENGINE HOIST: A tool for testing the maximum tensile strength of everything you forgot to disconnect.

CRAFTSMAN 1/2 x 24-INCH SCREWDRIVER: A very large pry bar that inexplicably has an accurately machined screwdriver tip on the end opposite the handle.

AVIATION METAL SNIPS: See hacksaw.

PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER: Normally used to stab the vacuum seals under lids and for opening old-style paper-and-tin oil cans and splashing oil on your shirt; but can also be used, as the name implies, to strip out Phillips screw heads.

STRAIGHT SCREWDRIVER: A tool for opening paint cans. Sometimes used to convert common slotted screws into non-removable screws.

PRY BAR: A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.

HOSE CUTTER: A tool used to make hoses too short.

HAMMER: Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate the most expensive parts adjacent the object we are trying to hit

MECHANIC'S KNIFE: Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door; works particularly well on contents such as seats, vinyl records, liquids in plastic bottles, collector magazines, refund checks, and rubber or plastic parts. Especially useful for slicing work clothes, but only while in use.

DAMMIT TOOL: Any handy tool that you grab and throw across the garage while yelling "DAMMIT" at the top of your lungs. It is also, most often, the next tool that you will need.