



The DoveTale

October 2015

Woodworkers of SouthEast Texas

Officers:

President Troy Gallier, 769-8293
President elect Paul Magee, 658-8321
Secretary Richard Hicks, 553-6157
Treasurer Waid Gauthier, 735-8392

Committees:

Newsletter Richard Hicks, 553-6157
Librarian Mark Underwood, 886-4283
Purchases Jerry Shivers, 794-2274
Membership Richard Hicks, 553-6157
Web Master Rob Emanuel, 729-9315
Programs Richard Hicks, 553-6157
Toy Project Richard Hicks, 553-6157

Members:	46	Present:	20	Visitors:	4
----------	----	----------	----	-----------	---

Our Next Meeting will be Nov 23rd

October 26th Meeting

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

- Waid Gauthier - about \$1,508.72
- Richard Hicks - 46 members
- Toys - See Sam, Richard or Red for toy patterns and parts. Toys need to be complete by the November meeting.
- Web Site - Rob Emanuel - Web site is up to date
- Library - The club members present decided to renew the Woodsmith subscription for another year.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Monday, November 23rd, 2015 at our regular meeting facility, 1685 Ashley in Beaumont. Richard Hicks will do a short program about making toys and we'll sort toys for our charities.

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

Mark Underwood discussed fire safety in the shop. He brought pictures of several items he uses in his shop to make it "fire safe".



He uses an airtight, metal 'dog food' storage container to store his rags that have been used with flammable materials. He spreads the used rags out first to let them dry and then places them in the airtight

container for storage and later disposal.



Mark has fire extinguishers in his shop. He places them where they will be easy to get to in case of a fire, but usually not in the immediately hazardous area.

By the shop entrance door is a good place - you can grab it on the way in or out of the shop.

Be sure to get a good quality extinguisher with a:

Class A (solid combustibles like wood)

Class B (flammable liquids and gases)

Class C (energized electrical equipment)

and large enough to control a reasonable size fire. Also make sure it's "in date".

Show & Tell



Richard Spinney shows an oblong, oval bowl he carved from a pine log. Shows you don't need a lathe



from warping.

to make a bowl. He also brought a ship's wheel that he's repairing. It's laminated with three layers of walnut to keep it



Terry Turney shows a box he veneered with walnut burls and birdseye maple.



Jerry Shivers showed pictures of his 'antique ice box' that he constructed from white oak using reproduction hardware. The plans he used are in issue 36 of Woodsmith magazine.



Dale Clark showed pictures of two chests he made from locally grown aromatic cedar that he harvested and milled.



Mark Underwood shows an oak burl bowl he recently turned. It was challenging because the bark inclusions caused hollow areas in the blank.



Mark also showed a set of drill bits he bought thinking they were a bargain, only to find out that they

all had burrs on the tips and had to be sharpened before using.



Sam Tobey and Richard Hicks showed a doll cradle they designed and built for the toy project. They

asked for and received feedback on some of the design elements.



Rob Emanuel showed a "Razor Tip" wood burner he recently purchased to embellish his intarsia projects.



Rob also showed a personalized scroll sawn key chain he started making. He found the design templates on the web.

Terry Turney won the door prize, \$35 since he had a show & tell item. Sam Tobey and

Clyde White won the Craft Supplies gift certificates.

Club Elections

The nominating committee presented the slate of officers for 2016.

- Mark Underwood for president-elect
- Waid Gauthier for treasurer
- Richard Hicks for secretary

We will accept nominations from the floor and vote on the officers at the November 23rd meeting. The winners will officially take office immediately following the election.

Renewals

Speaking of renewals, it's membership renewal time again. The renewal notices are in the mail and they include a return envelope. An even better idea - save a stamp and bring your renewal to the meeting. Our dues will remain at \$24 for 2016 - a real bargain. You can also use a club gift certificate to pay your dues.

When you renew your membership, please take a few moments to share your thoughts about ways to improve our club. We have many very knowledgeable woodworkers in the club that are willing to present programs, but we need your input and ideas for next year's programs.

VIP Magazine Article

Terry Turney contacted the editor of the VIP Magazine and they are going to do a human-interest article about our club. Chelsea



Henderson, reporter for the magazine, met with us on October 17th and took pictures of

our toys and projects for the article. The main thrust of the article will be our annual toy project and the impact it makes on the area. The magazine also sent a photographer to take pictures of "the elves making toys" at Richard Hicks' shop. Watch for the article in the December issue of VIP magazine.

Program

Troy Gallier presented the program, a video



and a demonstration showing how to use a Rockler Drawer Lock Router Bit to make a drawer or box.

Troy had a box made of particleboard that got wet and disintegrated. He decided to use plywood to make a new box but he wanted stronger corners than he could get with simple butt joints. He decided to use the Rockler Drawer Lock bit. Setting the depth of cut for the bit is tedious, but once it's set, you cut both parts of the joint with the same setting. Troy found it best, when using plywood, to trim some of the waste away with his table saw to minimize the tear out when routing.

The bit makes a nice looking corner joint that



has a lot of gluing surface area. The geometry of the joint "locks" the joint together so the box will almost 'snap' together with

minimal clamping needed while the glue dries.

Thanks Troy for an informative program about another way to make corner joints. A copy of Troy's program presentation is available in our club library.