



# The DoveTale

October 2018

Woodworkers of SouthEast Texas

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Members:	56	Present:	16	Visitors:	2
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## Club Elections

Our Next Meeting will be Nov 26<sup>th</sup>

### October 22<sup>nd</sup> Meeting

We held the October meeting at our regular meeting location, 1685 Ashley in Beaumont.

Business items included:

- Waid Gauthier - about \$2,344
- Richard Hicks - 56 Members - Renewal documents for 2019 are in the mail
- Toys - 566 toys completed for 2018
- Web Site - Web site is up to date
- Library - We're still looking for the white SWAT 2016 binder and videos

### Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Monday, November 26, 2018 at our regular meeting facility, 1685 Ashley in Beaumont. Jeffery Fritz will present a program about Timber Framing Construction.

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.

The nominating committee presented the slate of officers for 2019.

- Wayne Whitehead 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 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. The newly elected officers will take office immediately following the election.

## Show & Tells



Curtis McGuirt showed pictures of a bathroom cabinet he made for his son using pine. He painted it



white. Curtis also showed pictures of a night stand he made from pine and poplar to match a larger purchased chest. He



also showed pictures of a knife he made from a railroad spike while taking a class at the blacksmith's shop at Gladys City.



Richard Spinney showed a hat he carved from pine. It was a very popular item at the recent Rice Festival. He also

showed a bowl he bought at a thrift store and modified by cutting the sides and weaving ribbon through the cuts.



John Heard made a towel rack from a slab cut from a log. He removed the bark, sanded it and finished it with lacquer.



John Payne showed bowls he recently turned. He turned a natural edged bowl from a piece of oak he found on the side of the road. The bowl assumed an unusual shape as it dried. The second bowl was from some driftwood he found at the beach. He thinks it is sycamore. John also



showed us his new Longworth chuck he uses to finish turning the tenon off the bottom of his bowls.



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Waid Gauthier won the door prize, \$25 since he didn't have a woodworking show and tell item. Don Lemp and Curtis McGuirt won the \$10 Craft Supplies gift certificates.

## Program

Rebecca Phelps presented a program about abrasives used in woodworking.

Rebecca started her presentation by showing a test she did to validate an article she read by Bob Flexner that stated "that sanding past 180 grit on softwoods and 220 grit on hardwoods was a waste of time and effort because you couldn't tell the difference once it was finished". She had two identical pieces



of wood and sanded one to 180 grit and the other to 400 grit and applied two coats of finish to

each piece. She passed the pieces around and asked the audience to identify the one she sanded to 400 grit. Even though the pieces were very similar, most of the audience was able to identify the one sanded to 400 grit.

Rebecca discussed the various types of grit used for sandpaper and the advantages of each type. She explained how the grit is graded for size and that's how the abrasive is named. The lower the number, the larger the grit and the rougher the finish will be. Rebecca cautioned that the American grading scale is different from the European scale, especially in the smaller grits (higher numbers).

She also discussed the different types of backing (paper, cloth, etc.) that is used and then the different methods used for bonding the grit to the backing. This directly affects the usability and durability of the abrasive.

Thanks Rebecca for an excellent program. A copy of Rebecca's presentation slides are available on our website and a video copy of her presentation is in our club library.