

TRWA Newsletter



Tuolumne River Woodworkers Association

August Meeting is on the 3rd—Members Challenge

Our August Meeting is always a lively one. This is the Members Challenge Meeting. This year we're going back to the past and have a straight box contest. Bring your box, of any size as long as it has a lid we'll accept it. Remember that you are competing with each other for cash prizes. Some of the members have come away with quite a good haul in the past. Don't let one or two productive members take the whole prize package.

A member who recently visited Oregon came across a lumber retailer that he really liked. Here's the info: American Western Exotic Hardwoods, great source of exotics in Bandon, Oregon. 47493 Hwy 101, Bandon, Oregon. (541-347-9858. www.stores.ebay.com/western-exotic-hardwoods



It's Summertime, Make sure to keep hydrated

Special points of interest:

- Members Challenge at the August Meeting
- New Wood Tips Article
- Web Resources that you can use
- Excellent July Meeting Notes

President's Update!

Please note that there will be a meeting in September. The **September** meeting date will be on the 14th.

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Hand Tools for the Asante Network

"Tools Wanted"

At the August meetings I will collect tools for the Asante Project with an August mailing date. There will be a box at the meetings to place your donations in. The small box measures 11" by 8-1/2" by

5-1/2" The large box measures 12" by 12" by 5-1/2".

If your donations do not fit please take them home.

Needed are:
chisels, gouges, planes, hand drills, drill bits, braces, auger bits,

assorted files and rasps, sharpening stones, hand saws, coping saws with extra blades and lots of sandpaper.

We will do this yearly so if you miss this year we shall call on you next year

-Richard Philpot

July Meeting Minutes



President Tom Bonte

"The reverence that the object maker has for the materials, for the shape, and for the miracle of his skill transcends to God, the Master Craftsman, the Creator of all things, who uses us, our hands, as His tools to make these beautiful things."

...Sam Maloof



Meeting called to order

Scout Hall, Riverbank, CA
Meeting called to order by Tom Bonte @ 7:00pm

Guests: Gene Richards, Art Recete (sp), Chuck Madonagal, Jesse

Motion to accept the minutes in the Newsletter from Roger Gohring, 2nd by Larry Scallin, Voice vote pass

Treasurers Report - \$3,251, \$151.30 expenses, \$95 domain renewal group, Wayne Meissner moved, Larry Scallin 2nd, Voice vote passed

Toy Chair – Richard Philpot – Committee refurbished the Claus Rd "Welcome to Riverbank" sign. Box for the Asante Network is filling up. Good turnout so far. Richard went through the steps and parts needed to making the tic-tac-toe boards. Have 5 signed up for the project, need 5 more.

Membership Dues - \$24, no newsletters for members who aren't current

Show Report – 80 days to the potluck, 81 days to the show. Food, Projects, Monitors to be present at the show. Silent Auction items are needed.

Member's Challenge show will be in August.

Wood Turning SIG -Johnny Jones reported on the Carob tree project in Turlock. We were able to save 40 trees and the wood was donated to woodworking and turning clubs from Northern and Southern California, and Nevada. TRWA made a lot of friends last month.

Show and Tell:

- Wayne Meissner showed a zebrawood and olive turned box.

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- A coffee grinder was shown with a checkerboard pattern.



- Carl Mercer showed his turned music box.
- Tom Bonte brought in a sturdy pine box to hold a come along.



- A member (sorry I didn't catch his name) shows us a great use of Manzanita in a paper towel holder
- Carl Mercer talked about going to Diablo Woodworkers to see Roy Underhill and he was very impressed with the whole presentation

July Program Notes

July 6, 2009

Presentation by Edgar Gscheidle



Program starting on 8:15pm

Edgar was doing woodshop class in 1945-1948, Lost the sight on left eye and most of the sight in his right. Worked for the city of Cincinnati, Ohio for 21 years as a heavy equipment mechanic. Uses a "click rule" to measure all his work. Uses duct tape as his marked lines, he cannot see a pencil line. Created a home made leveling tool with a loose pendulum so that he could work without the aid of someone to see the bubble in the level. He now uses an electronic level with a tone generator.

He uses a number of tools that are sound generators. He created a continuity tester with a battery powered bell to

use of electrical work.

He showed us a number of turning projects. He owns both a wood and metal latches. He showed us a medicine organizer that he created with a jig that he made using a circular saw and a fence that he set in one inch increments. He then drilled the final project with the jig he created.

He showed us a wood hold down for his table saw so that he can hold the stock without getting near it.

He turns the table saw between each cut as a safety precaution.

His upcoming project will be a lifting chair for his wife who has problems with her knees. He is going to use an old style car bumper jack as the lifting device.



What's in your toolbox?



Asian Craftsmanship on display

Wood Turners Special Interest Group



Bowls, Bowls, Bowls

August 1 and 11 meetings will be at BOB Weaver shop's, 1829 Hunt Ave, Modesto-524-5852 on Segmented turning starting at 9:00AM.

August 15th (novice group) will be at Johnny Jones's shop starting at 9:00AM, lunch around noon. Shop is at 13299 Lancaster Road, Oakdale. 845-0858 or jljones34@gmail.com Marion Roberts will show us how to make a hook tool. You need to have your handle turned.

We had a great lesson on how to make bottle stoppers. Everyone got some hands on time, including your editor (bottom right.)



Looks like a lot of raw materials



Classified Ads

12" Davis & Wells Cabinet Table Saw
5ft Table \$250
6" Jointer \$150
12" Planer \$100
Delta 10" Compound Miter Saw \$100
24" Leigh Dovetail Jib (New) \$250
10" Radial Arm Saw with Metal Cabinet \$100
Contact Carl Mercer, 209-667-2340

Grizzly lathe for sale
With accessories \$150
Contact Larry Scallin @ 209-538-0500 for details

ShopSmith Model 500
With bandsaw and accessories
\$150 - Would like to sell it to another club member

10" Craftsman tables w/ Cast iron table
custom mobile base, beissmeyer fence, Forrest
Woodworker II blade
\$125 or package deal for both tools
Contact Steve Hutson, 209-470-5305



Want to sell something to the club. Send a note to
Editor@TRWA.NET and I'll include it in the next
newsletter.

Wood Tips by Kathi Westfall

Hackberry (*Celtis occidentalis*)

The Hackberry tree grows mostly in the eastern United States and is sometimes called a Sugarberry tree. The average tree height is 130 feet. Hackberry trees are members of the elm family and are considered a hardwood.

The wood is mainly used for kitchen cabinets, doors and moulding. There is little difference between the sapwood and heartwood, which is yellowish grey to light brown with yellow streaks. The wood is very susceptible to blue staining and has an irregular grain. This wood turns and planes very well. It also dries readily but

has a very high shrinkage rate and is more suitable for short cut stock.

Fun Fact: Historically, most Southern church pews were made of hackberry wood.

T.R.W.A. Toy News

This is a partial reprint of an article in the June/July 2009 issue of Woodcraft Magazine. It seems that in 2008, 50 club members of the Orange County Woodworkers Association turned in 4800 assorted cars, puzzles, boats, planes memory boxes, cell phones (wood ones) pull toys, folk toys and other misc. children's items.

Let this be a challenge from your future Toy Chairman and your community services chairman for the T.R.W.A. members to do better than that figure in 2010.

That's only 100 items per member and I know we are capable of doing that. Get your ideas going now.

Richard Philpot





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The following members have volunteered to help answer questions. Feel free to call them within the times they have specified.

David Bozarth209-537-8654

All areas

Any reasonable hour

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Any reasonable hour

2009 Meeting & Exhibit Schedule

Date	Guest	Subject
January 5	Pete Teresi	Making Violins
February 2	Field Trip to Dan J Savage Middle School	Shop Tour
March 2	History of woodworking presentation	Ada Holloway
April 6	Stan Booker	Asante Network
May 2 (New date!)	Field Trip to Tracy!	Antique Farm Equipment Model Maker
June 1	Tom Bonte Shop Time	
July 6	Independence Day Fun!	
August 3	Members Challenge	Box Making contest
September 14th	Malcolm Tibbetts	Wood Turning!
September 25th	McHenry Woodcraft Show Setup & Potluck	Show runs from Sept 26th to Oct 11
October	No Meeting - Come see us at the show	McHenry Museum
November 2	Annual Members Auction	Come by and get a bargain
December 7		

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