

TRWA Newsletter



Tuolumne River Woodworkers Association

Meeting is on December 7th

We will be meeting at Josh Kinsey's workshop in Modesto. Come and see Josh and his shop. Josh is our new Vice President and a working professional in the cabinet and custom furniture trade. His presentation is titled "3 Misconceptions of the Common Bile Duct". I don't know what that has to do with wood-working, but it sounds painful. I guess you will just have to show up at his shop to find

out. The address is 4619 Spyers Way, Unit #E, Modesto. See the map on Page 2.



Bring in your latest project for Show and Tell

Sharon and Brenda Jones would like to thank everyone who brought all the delicious food and drinks to the house after Johnny's services. We feel very grateful to have so many good friends. Brenda would also like to thank all the people who turned the tops. They were a big hit and enjoyed by all.

Thanks Brenda

Special points of interest:

- McHenry Woodcraft show update
- Wood Tips Returns
- November Meeting Notes
- Message from the President

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Election Results

A club election was held at the November Meeting and a new slate of officers was elected. Outgoing President Tom Bonte presided over the fun as a new set of victims (er, candidates) were presented to the members present. The election results are as follows:

President: Kathi Westfall
Vice President: Josh Kinsey
Treasurer: Don Ross
Program Char: Open
Recording Secretary: Steve Hutson as interim
Editor: Steve Hutson
Member at Large: Carl Mercer
Member at Large: To Be

Announced
That's the new crew. Congratulate the winners and find out how you can move the club forward in the 2010-2011 season.

November 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 ,California

The meeting was called to order by President Tom Bonte @ 7:02pm
Motion was made by Wayne Meissner and 2nd to approve the meeting minutes as published in the last newsletter, carried.
Visitor: Matt Mitchel, a local woodworker
Treasurer's Report: Zero income, \$208.27 expenses, #3,320 balance in the bank
Show Report: Denzil, There were 72 items for voting, 12 silent auction items, 125 items in total. We had 356 visitors. The potluck total expenses were \$240, Auction revenue was \$275, so the event was no cost to the club
Awards: People Choice:
1st-Larry Lew, 2nd-Bob Weaver, 3rd-Roger Gohring
Member's Choice:
1st-Roger Gohring, 2nd-Bob Weaver, 3rd-Larry Lew
There is a gallery on Orange Blossom, the Bonzak Gallery looking for items to display and sell.

Dick Philpot reported on the phenomenal number of toys that have been created for the Christmas season.
Elections were held in accordance with the By-Laws. Kathi Westfall is the new President, Josh Kinsey is Vice President, Don Ross continues as Treasurer, Recording Secretary is vacant, interim Secretary is Steve Hutson. Program Chair is vacant.

Business Meeting was adjourned at 7:48pm

Roger Gohring gave a great talk with a lot of sound advice about tools, tool selection, purchase, quality, and usability. A lot of good discussion followed between Roger and the members present. Thanks Roger for some good, practical tips.

- Wanted: Printing Press supplies for letterpress. Looking specifically for furniture, quoins or type.
Contact Kathi at 209-574-9132
- As of 11 O'clock this morning 11-3-09 I have 514 cars, 13 tops and 510 tic tac toes. There are about 275 tic tac toes outstanding and 380 cars outstanding. That will give us almost 900 cars and 800 tic tac toes for our Christmas giveaway. Very Impressive. Thank You very much members and especially Thanks to Mr. Chrysler Motors, John Holderman. (about 600 cars)

Richard Philpot



McHenry Woodcraft Show Coordinator

The show was a success! We may not have had the quantity of entries but we certainly had the quality. Many favorable comments were heard from visitors to the show and our own members were impressed with the works on display. Most of our visitors were from the local area but we also had folks from all over the world (anyway four different countries) that came to see the show so you see our association has a worldwide reputation.

My sincere thanks to the members who contributed projects to the show, for without your cooperation there would be no show! So one great big THANKS! Without Bob Weaver, making the descriptions cards, Wayne Meissner keeping the collage in super shape, Gerry Park/Dick Philpot/Roger Gohring getting the potluck together, and Carl Mercer organizing the demonstrations the show would not go

on! These gentlemen pull the show together and I thank them for the "professional" and dependable way they go about helping make the show successful. Also those who volunteered to be monitors need to be recognized for their contribution to a successful show.

And finally thank you to the McHenry Museum, Mr. Mathes, for allowing TRWA to continue using the facility for our show. Our show contributes to the daily attendance to the Museum and in turn visitors to the Museum influence the number of visitors to our show. It is a mutual beneficial relationship for both organizations.

See all of you about the same time and same location next year!

Denzil



What's in your toolbox?

President's Message

First off, I wanted to thank everyone in the TRWA for their vote of confidence in electing me their new president. I hope we have a fun and educational 2 years ahead. I also want to thank our new board members who have agreed to support this club by donating their time and energy as well as our past board members who have agreed to stay on and make our organization a special one.

We were unable to fill all the board positions at the last meeting. Without a full board, we do not have a quorum and cannot transact business. We still need to have 2 very important jobs filled and I need some volunteers. We need a secretary who will take minutes at the meetings each month and submit them to the Steve Hutson to put in the newsletter. We also need a Program Coordinator who will oversee the programs each month. Now this might sound intimidating but I was given a great suggestion by a member on how to make this an easier job. That idea

was to go down the membership list and have 2-3 members work together to find a speaker for one month. The next month, the next 2-3 members would have to find the speaker. The Program Coordinator would oversee this and let everyone know when their turn came around. That way the work is shared between all our members. So give this some thought and if you think you can help out our club by volunteering for one of these jobs, please give me a call. 209.574.9132

Thank you again everyone and I look forward to the next 2 years.

Kathi



A legacy of craftsmanship

Johnny's Turners Special Interest Group



Bowls, Bowls, Bowls

SIG Members,

We want to continue SIG that Johnny Jones put together. If you have any DVD's bring them to the next meeting so we can return them to Sharon. In an effort to keep the club going we are going to make some minor changes:

- We are going to have only one (1) meeting per month.
- The novice group will become part of the regulars, we are all turners
- The meeting locations will float from shop to shop.
- (If you would like to host a meeting let us know.)
- The program can be by someone other than the host.
- There will be a \$2.00 fee to pay for coffee and donuts.
- The meeting will be on the first Saturday of each month at 9:00 am.
- Bring your own chair and coffee cup.
- Program may not require a lathe. (Example: chalk board, videos, jig and fixtures, etc.)

Our schedule until the end of the year:

We are still working on Malcolm Tibbetts (Should know more in about a week.)

December 5, 2009

Christmas Pot Luck, December 5th, Grange Hall, Oakdale

If you have any suggestions, revision, please bring them up at the next meeting.

Jim Crismon

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209-845-9082

We had a great time at Carl Mercer's shop in Turlock. Carl demonstrated an off-center turning technique. He described the theory behind the work, and then gave us a practical demonstration. We even got to try the technique and made some sawdust. Everyone present had a great time.



I see turning blanks!

Classified Ads

Excellent assortment of tools for sale. If you live outside the area, and are willing to pay for shipping we will ship. However, the Tile Saw, Drill Press and Welder would probably require freight shipment. All Reasonable offers will be considered. The Makita Impact driver is battery with a recharger, everything else needs an outlet. Photos are available upon request.

Full Size Tile Saw \$300.00
 Full Size Ridgid Drill Press (like new) \$200.00
 10" Dewalt Compound Miter Saw \$125.00
 Makita Impact Driver \$100.00
 Hand Planer \$50.00
 Porter Cable Router \$125.00
 Ryobi Biscuit cutter \$75.00
 Makita Power Sander \$40.00
 Dewalt Saws all (Electrical) \$100.00
 Welder Power Mig \$250.00
 Vice \$15.00
 Dewalt Skill Saw \$50.00
 Dewalt Drill \$40.00
 Wagner Paint \$75.00
 Craftsman Cutter \$50.00
 Trim Router Porter Cable \$50.00

Contact: [Mark Gum, \(209\) 825-1648](mailto:Mark Gum, (209) 825-1648)
mkgum@hotmail.com
 Location: Manteca, CA

10" Craftsman table saw w/ Cast iron table custom mobile base, Beissmeyer fence, Forrest Woodworker II blade
\$125

I am look for an desktop drill press and a desktop band saw. I have a tight budget, but if you have something you'd like to get rid of, I'm interested.
[Contact Steve Hutson, 209-470-5305](mailto: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

Willow

Willow trees grow primarily in the middle and southern states along the Mississippi River. They like to grow in very wet soil and will also be around natural springs and lakes. The average tree height is 30-40 feet so they are not a tall tree.

The main uses for willow wood is furniture, millwork, toys, sports equipment and kitchen utensils. If you do not have any walnut, it makes a good substitute for that.

Willow has a fine, even texture and although generally straight grained, it can have some figure in it where branches cross. Willow is easy to work with but it can have a fuzzy surface and is subject to

moisture pockets. Even though you would think it would make a good bending wood, it is not. The small leave branches are supple but the main wood is somewhat brittle and stiff. It is however a very stable wood when dry.

Fun Fact: Before there was Tylenol and Aspirin, willow bark was a headache remedy usually steeped to make a tea.





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		Sunshine Chairman	Open
		Toys, Richard Philpot	209-551-3720

HELP DESK

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

Scott B. Dustin
Finishes
Mobile:209-534-9810

Ken Kelso209-529-3273
Lathe & Table Tops
Any reasonable hour

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Any reasonable hour

Richard Philpot209-551-3720
Toys
Any reasonable hour

John Schmidt209-848-9535
Routers, Joinery & Furniture
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	Tool Snobbery	Roger Gohring
December 7	Josh Kinsey Shop Field Trip	Map is included

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