

WOODWORKERS CLUB OF HOUSTON

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PAST MEETING: H. B. Blankenship was our teacher in July and he did a fine job. H.B. was a little nervous before his demonstration, but it didn't show after he got started.

A lot of information on veneering was passed on to the 52 members who attended. The tricks and the pitfalls. From the comments after the meeting I believe every body enjoyed the demonstration. Even the white rabbit that keep trying to join the meeting.

SHOW & TELL: This is one of my favorite parts of the meeting and its getting better all the time. The variety of projects shows the diversified interests within the club. Thats why I think the club is so strong. We've got so much talent we can draw from.

Anyway, I bought an oak jewerly box that was in Woodsmith several months ago, plus a couple of new bandsaw boxes.

Bill Bell brought the semi-truck and dozer that was in Hands-On plus several wooden guns, including a real neat pump shotgun.

Sid sabel brought a rocker horse that was made up of edged joined 2x6 with added dowelling for strength. I think he had to borrow it from his granddaughter when she wasn't looking.

Bruce DeHart brought his own vesion of the bull dozer. He didn't want to infringe on a copyright.

George Graves brought a charming doll cradle he has been making and selling at craft shows. I bet he's sold a bunch of them.

Herbert Wilbourn brought some newer vesions of his belt buckles with a mosr unusual colored veneer overlays. The only problem was they don't make a maroon for Texas A&M. Sorry about that Aggie lovers.

Bill Hockmuth brought a laminated jewerly box of two different woods. The brass hinges were hand made from brass stock. They looked real nice and worked real good. They are similar to a wood set I saw in Woodsmith sometime back.

OLD BUISNESS: Club shirts- I have been able to locate a local source of polo shirts that will print the club logo on for us. They will be about 50¢ to a \$1.00 cheaper than ordering them out of state. Once the logo pattern is paid for there will be no minimum order. I hope to have about six extra at the next meeting to sell. You can take them back to the source to have your name put on the pocket. It cost 35¢ per letter.

Chuck Maxwell brought our rolling library to the meeting and it was well received. Bill Forkner caught me on my edge veneer job, but gave me a tip, so he want catch me next time.

I followed up on Al Sykes' lead and checked out MVP Sharpener Service at 10817 S. Post Oak Rd. Marge and Van Williams are very anxious for club members to give their service a try. They were nice enough to give a tour of their shop. It is neat,

well equipped and they appear to know their buisness. They have a full stock of Freud router bits and saw blades, and will match any magazines listed price. I bought a Freud 80 tooth and 24 tooth blade. Give Marge and Van a call at 721- 3650. They will be glad to answer any questions you may have.

Mark McCoy is taking orders for more aluminum bar clamps from Universal Clamp Co. If you haven't tried these clamps, you are in for a treat. Especially at \$12.00 for 2 ft clamps. \$13.00 for 3 ft, \$14.00 for 4 ft, \$15.00 for 5 ft, and \$16.00 for 6 ft. We also get a discount on their other variety of clamping devices they have. I have several different ones if you want to check mine out.

Mark also said he would take wood orders. If you're not in a big hurry, we can get a 15 to 20% discount if we have an order of 250 BF or more. Thats a considerable savings. Check with Mark for the details.

Several more clinics have been given. Bill Beggs (thats me) gave another one band saw boxes. I think I had this one a little better organized. Anyway everyone said they got the information needed to make the boxes. I'll have another one in a month or so, so you can sign up at the next meeting and I will let everyone know a time later on.

Henry Reed's small joinery clinic came off without a hitch, but Henry said he would make a few changes in the presentation after having given a clinic.

One thing I learned from giving the clinic is that you need to keep the group small, so the teacher can give the personal attention required. Depending on the clinic, I would say 5 to 7 is about the maximum number of students.

Anyway, we have other clinics coming up.

1. Bob Awe - lathe August
2. Ken McBride - agenda to be announced -
august
3. George Graves- formica lamination - August
4. Michael Chandler - steam bending - September

By the way Rich Kurey will head up a new clinic committee that will coordinate with and assist the instructors with their clinics. Those that attended Rich's clinic said it was extremely well organized. Those that are considering giving a clinic, check with Rich for scheduling and assistance and ideas.

We need clinics for September and October.

FOR SELL & TO BUY: Glen Olsen is lookin for a 10" table saw and 10" diameter lathe. Call him at 495-7794

NEW BUISNESS: Things are underway for our annual charity show. From the preliminary investigation it looks like its going to be a super show.

Its up to the club membership to vote on which charity will receive the benefirs of the sale. Last year it was the March Of Dimes. I like charities that help children myself. Anyway, start thinking which charity you want., because this needs to be decided at our August 11th meeting. Once the charity is decided, an advertising campaign can be put in motion.

Through our President's Ted King, contact we are going to be able to have our show in the Northwest Mall at Loop 610 West and Hwy. 290. Sam Zeisman is the Chairman of the Charity Show Committee and myself meet with Paul Dyer manager of the mall. He is going to let us have about 1600 SF right in the middle of the mall all to ourself. It is really going to be super.

Sam's committee is made up of the following:

Demonstration-	Bill Beggs	820-8039
Sales Inventory-	Sam Zeisman	723-4382
Sales Personnel-	H.B. Blankenship	683-7333
Advertisement-	Bill Hochmuth	774-1733
Set Up and Display	-Bruce DeHart	939-7614

Each of these sub-committees are going to need volunteers to help make the show a success. This is only once a year project, so I will be very disappointed in the membership if we don't have a 100% effort.

Each member will be asked to donate 2 to 4 items to sell. The club will be glad to furnish a donation voucher receipt that can be used for income tax purposes. The reason I point this out is that this show will represent US, so I am sure the membership will want to show the quality of our expertise. This doesn't mean the items donated have to be expensive, though I would like to see some nice items, just that it must show the quality, care, and effort gone into making the piece. On this, I think you all will agree.

The show is set for Friday, November 2nd and Saturday, November 3rd. That's not much time to get it all pulled together, so don't wait until the last minute. Get started on your items to donate. NOW.

Our September meeting is still up in the air. Ted is working on two possibilities-Tricks in Finishing and/or Building Shutters.

October looks very interesting with Robert Holsch, an artist, discussing and showing art in wood.

Al Sykes said he would have a report on the wood suppliers at our August 11th meeting. I hope its good news.

NEXT MEETING: Saturday- August 11th, 1984- 9:00 A.M.

Meeting will be a demonstration of the Leigh Dovetail jig by Bob Stahl. Bob will also give us info on the new Leigh jig that will make half blind dovetails.

Meeting will be at the U of H Industrial Arts Building. Take I45 to the U of H cutoff - Cullen St. Turn south to the first red light, which is Elgin. Turn left and go to the first street and then turn right. Its a dead end street and the Industrial Arts building is the last building on the right.

SEE YOU THERE