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JULY MEETING

The program for the July meeting was on the use of Jigs, presented by our own Chuck Maxwell, Mr. Jigs. Chuck's description of Jigs is a gadget to make work more pleasant. Chuck said this was the first time he ever presented Jigs-a-cappella, no way to actually demonstrate with tools on how these Jigs preform.

Some might think that Chuck brought ever jig in his shop but if you have ever been to his shop, you'll know these were but just a few.

Chuck uses many different types of jigs, from the very elaborate to the very simple.

The following is some of the jigs that Chuck shared with us:

Miter cut jig, a mortise jig, poor boy dust collection junction box, dust collection blast gate, a very simple but usefull plywood dolly, for the shopsmith a jig to make spindles on the lathe, panel cut off jigs from Woodsmith #18 and #25, tempered masonite calipers for bowl turning, mini-bench hook, adjustable bench hook for large work, tru-up circles on disc sander, center jig, strips of wood with sandpaper glued on, sanding blocks copied from Leichtung, Leather strop glued to wood strip, one rough side for the use of oil and one side with smooth leather for the use of rouge, a counterbalance jig, large compass made from a three foot yard stick and trammel points, raised panel jig with adjustable sides, raised panel jig with hold down for panels, circle cutting jig for router, jig for turning spindles on the table saw, poor boy center finder, deluxe raised panel and tenon jig, push blank for use with the router.

Chuck also uses a large cut of jig on his table saw. Once you have used a table saw cut off jig you will wonder how you ever got along without one. This jig makes the table saw much more accurate and safer to use.

Chuck creats his own and redesigns or improves many of the jigs that you will find in the woodworking publications.

Chuck's presentation was informative and very helpful.

Thank you Chuck for a great program, it was enjoyed by all.

CHARITY SHOW NOMINATIONS

The only nominated Charity for our Annual Charity show was the MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION. Since this was the only nomination if was suggested that the charity be chosen by acclamation. The vote was almost unanimious, only one desenting vote, not bad. This years Charity will be the Make-a-Wish foundation.

CHARITY SHOW

Sam Zeissman is asking any member who would like to work at the show to sign up with Bill Baker-also if you have signed up and cannot work, please tell Bill Baker so someone else can fill your slot. We use the word work but its really fun and you'll get to know the members better.

Bill Beggs and Chuck Maxwell are in charge of demonstrations at the show but if you would like to participate in the demonstrations or if you have any ideas, talk to them as they could use your help.

Bill Hochmuth is in charge of the merchandise, we need lots and lots of items to sell but would like if at all possible for the members to bring there items closer to the sale, because of storage limitations. If you have something that you cannot store he will find storage for it---so no excuses. If you can help in hauling merchandise on Friday morning of the show besure to contact Bill, he can use your help.

FIELD TRIPS

Ted King is organizing a Field Trip in September, tenantive date the 15th at 10:00 to Waller, Tex. to see a maker of Reproductions of

full size antique airplanes, some are in the Smithsonian. Waller is 45 mins to an Hour from Houston. The exact date and a map will appear in next months newsletter.

WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS

Chip Carving by Joan Brueggeman will be held following the August meeting, don't know if there is any space left but you might contact Joan or Stuart Murphy for info.

SAFETY----HAND SAFETY

By Murray Gordon

How to protect your hands from Cuts, Splinters or serious damage from power tools.

Always keep cutting edges sharp, as a sharp

tool is safer than a dull tool.

When handling or stacking lumber wear leather gloves, the gloves will save your hands from cuts and splinters and gelve you a better grip.

Always use the safety guards that come

with the machine.

Use push sticks and push blocks, these can be shop made or purchased in a kit. Shopsmith sells one that includes Hold downs, push sticks, fingerboard, etc. and safety glasses.

Unplug tools before making any adjustments

or changing bits or blades.

Never wear rings, watches or loose clothing, as any of these can catch in a tool and cause serious injury.

To remind yourself where not to place your hand or fingers, paint red strips on your tools

where the path of the blades pass.

Red stripes and safety devices are good just not fool proof, always keep your wits about you. Use good safety proceedures and good habits.

TREASURER'S REPORT

All bills paid and a balance of \$2511.00 in the bank.

PROBLEMS AND SOLUTIONS

Question? Are the sanding frames sold for hand Belt sanders worth the money. The answer was yes, they help to eliminate gouging.

A member has a craftsman belt sander that eats sanding belts. Another member with the same problem said he broke the sander down cleaned it throughly, readjusted it and now it works fine.

HYDROCOTE FINISHES

Chuck Maxwell asked us to publish Hydrocote's phone number 1-800-828-6327.

SHOW AND TELL

Steve Procter had photos of 7' foot tall by 4' wide and 2' deep Armoire which he uses for an entertainment center and chest of drawers. The top pediment is removable to allow the Armoire to fit through doors.

Don Richardson had 2 wooden brief cases made from Tiuara (the spelling is incorrect, i

can't remember), Don is donating these cases to the show.

Bill Beggs had a book easel resawed from

Rosewood, and finished in Watco.

Bill Hochmuth made a Taboured Compact Discabinet out of Birch and Walnut. Finished in Watco. Plans from Woodsmith.

Don Sloan made a shaker stool, grasshopper and pull toys, alo donated to the Charity sale.

Dan Shaklovitz had Rocking chairs made from Tuara (same wood as Don still mispelled-doesn't any one use Oak?) One finished in Natural and one stained Bartley's finish.

GROUP PURCHASES

It was suggested that we try as we have in the past to purchase items in bulk for a better price. The officers are looking for a member who would be interested in being a chairman or co-chairman of group purchases. If this might be of interest talk to Don.

Also if you have any suggestions or a want list, get them ready and well see what we can

do.

OFFICERS FOR 1991

It seems a little early but time does fly. We will not nominate till the October meeting and we will vote at the November meeting, but we thought that you might start thinking about it. The Board started making up a tentative list of suggestions, but we would like some imput from the members, maybe you would like to serv or you have a good suggestion as to who you would like as an officer or a board member. President, the Positons available are Vice-President, Sec./Treasurer and a Board of director at large. All the current officers will serve on the board to allow for good continuity and assistance to the new officers.

This is your club, the officers always want your imput. The officers steer the boat but the members man the oars and propell the club. No officer wants the members to feel left out.

NEW ADVERTISER

We would like to introduce a new advertiser and a new Hardwood business to our club, Houston Hardwoods at 5117 April Lane Phone 686-6176. See there ad this issue for further information on location, hours of business and services they provide. Welcome to our club.

AUGUST MEETING

WHEN: AUGUST 11, 1990 9:00 A.M. WHERE: BAYLAND COMMUNITY CENTER ON BISSONNET AT HILLCROFT

PROGRAM: The art of small boxes by Don Sloan. Don's workmanship is excellent, very precise and clean. He also has a very neat (neat as in clean) and orderly shop--somethir than most of us lack.

if you have been reading your newsletter, we originally had Royce Bomar to do a program on Antique tools but we has been in the hospital and is unable to attend.

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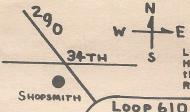
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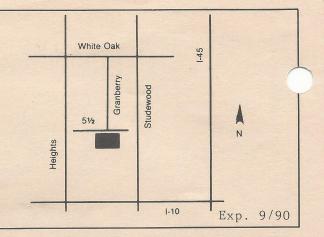
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