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MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURER

On Saturday July 18th, about 15 of us gathered at Bayland Community Center's picnic area for a scrap wood giveaway, and also a tool sale. There was plenty of wood, including "Wink Wood." (Thanks, Bob.) There also was a good assortment of tools, most of which changed hands. I personally bought more than I sold, but found some well needed items for my shop. For safety, everyone wore masks, items were spread out over several tables, and of course, we were outside. Thanks to all who brought items and/or themselves.

David Janowitz
WWCH Treasurer

WWCH Calendar

Monthly Meeting (via Zoom) 12 Sep

Monthly Raffle

Will resume at the next live meeting!



Show and Tell



The box on the left is all cherry with a drawer and an inside tray with red felt lining.

On the right is Walnut and maple box. Lid opens toward the sides and hinged on brass pins.



The top ends are not rounded on the bottom sides. This keeps the lid from opening all the way. Box is lined with red felt. - **Hugh Parker**



Show and Tell



Cherry and ash small wall cabinet. 23" x 11.5" x 4.5" with hand cut through dovetails and tenons. The back is ship lapped ash painted with black milk paint, and everything else including the drawers is cherry. The basic design is from Mike Pekovich's book, "The How and Why of Woodworking". It is finished with four coats of Waterlox. - **Mike Hardy**



This is called "Captivating the Past" - It is cut out of pecan slab. It is actually 4 different patterns added together. It is painted with acrylic paints

Rick Spacek



Lon Kelley - Made these layered bowls from maple, walnut and mahogany. The problem was that someone mounted them in the lathe crookedly, and they almost beat me to death trying to get a tool into them. They had at least an inch of runout.



Show and Tell

This hot rod truck is based on the funny car Dodge Lil' Red Wagon. Mine is made from poplar with various woods for highlights. The plans are from Toymaking Plans. He has the plan as a regular van/truck, cargo van and passenger van, take you choice....— **Denis Muras**



This is my Tex-American flag to hang outside by the front door. My first attempt at relief carving. The star block is basswood. I tried carving pine and poplar without much success.



Jack Bailie

This is a small project my wife asked me to make. Each Wolf silhouette is 12" tall; made from 1/2" thick Pine; painted in White Gloss and Black Gloss paint. Took about a week to make. I got the idea from seeing a metal silhouette on a wall.—**Chris Farquhar**



Table saw offcut cabinet. This is a modified version of a Rockler plan. It's made out of 3/4" baltic birch plywood. The drawers are made with Kreg jig butt joints and KV drawer slides. I added a dust port and 4" hose that connects to the saw. The design allows you to dial-in the height with levelers and it also has wheels to easily move around the shop. It's finished with Watco clear danish oil and polyurethane/wax on the top. Finally, I don't have to use an adjustable roller to catch long boards off my table saw! - **Sonny Lawson**

Show and Tell

We decided to gut remodel our master bath, replacing cabinetry, tub and shower. I also widened the door frames from 24" to 30" for easier access. The cabinetry is walnut with raised panel doors and drawer fronts. The cabinet interiors and drawer boxes are prefinished birch, which has a smooth clear finish cured with ultra violet light in the factory. The drawers are on full extension soft close ball bearing slides, and the hinges are soft close as well. The two upper far right and left drawers are actually one deep drawer each. My wife wanted a tall upper drawer for big bottles, hair dryer etc. I applied two drawer fronts and a faux cabinet rail to the drawers to maintain the symmetry. - **Steve Procter**



A bar top I made for a neighbor. He had an old walnut stair banister, and some big ash boards. Jointing the ash, at 11" x 2" x 12' was challenging, and fellow member Michael Siegel saved me by helping. Thankfully, flattening the top surface was much easier in the big planer. Cutting the second edge on the table saw required an extra clamp to keep the fence from wandering. I did not match the stain color for the ash very well, even mixing two colors. Finished off with 5 coats of Minwax Water Based Spar Urethane, gloss, applying very fast with a painting pad. The finished bar is 20" x 1 1/2" x 11'.— **David Janowitz**

My first two baseball bats. These have pretty much everything possible wrong for actual use as bats. First, the grain was not carefully chosen for straightness. Second, one of them is spalted, which is pretty, but further weakens the wood. One is actually from a branch, and likely to warp. Both are of Water Oak, which turns poorly, and caused terrible chatter on a long spindle turning like this. (I desperately need to make myself a steady rest.) Oak is also much too dense, and the bats are too heavy, and it is also much more brittle than the usual ash or maple. Thankfully, these are for display purposes only, and the couple that ordered them wanted them made from their own tree that was cut down. Unfortunately, it had already been cut into small pieces, and I had little wood to choose from, but managed to make it work for these. - **David Janowitz**



Woodworking Classes

When the Coronavirus forced the cancellation of the Houston Woodworking Show for 2020, The Woodworkers of Texas began to look for appropriate activities for local woodworkers. One of the major vendors at the show suggested Project Woodworking Classes and we have decided to proceed with this option. We are working with Gary Streigler, a wood craftsman that has taught for years at the Mark Adams school and we will be having project classes. Our 3 day class will result in each participant building an executive desk. This will be made from plywood and hardwood and will be complete except for finishing. Arrangements must be made to transport the desk upon completion of the class. We will also have a 2 day class where the participants will build a standing corner hutch. Again, complete except for finishing. These classes will be held at Woodworkers of Texas shop in Richmond, Texas and we are exploring the month of September. This notice is being sent to determine the interest in these classes. The cost of the classes are \$850 for the 3 day desk (includes \$ 400 in materials) and \$625 for the hutch (includes material cost of \$ 250) If you have an interest, or know someone who might be interested, please contact Tim Shaunty, 713-503-2284 so we can determine if this will work.

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WWCH PURPOSE: The Woodworkers Club of Houston is a group of men and women of all ages and skill levels who promote, educate, and share the craft of woodworking. The club meets the second Saturday of every month from 9-11:30. Guests are always welcome at no charge. Membership dues are \$36 per year, or about the price of one good clamp!