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WWCH Calendar

Dec 7	Furniture Splinter Group
Dec 9	Monthly Meeting
Dec 23	Hand Tool Splinter Group
Jan 4.....	Furniture Splinter Group
Jan 6	Monthly Meeting
Jan 6.....	Rockler Grand Opening
Jan 27.....	Scroll Saw Splinter Group

Monthly Raffle



**Happening at the
December meeting!**

New Members

Welcome to WWCH

Tom Paulley
Jon Brideweser

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The December meeting for 2017 has finally arrived. Each month from January with us meeting at the pavilion outside to our July program with Matt Cremona and then dealing with Hurricane Harvey in August to the October picnic and then going into December with a full slate of officers and board members to be voted on along with the Woodworker of the Year award seems like a busy year. I would like to thank the WWCH membership for all of your support from start to finish. It takes a dedicated team to step up and work together to get all of these activities accomplished. I have seen several individuals go beyond what was required to get the job done. This speaks volumes about the character and determination of these individuals.

We now have a full slate of officers and board members for 2018. President- Mark Bolinger, Vice-President- Ben Tillison, Secretary- Mark Womack, Treasurer- Henry Majoue, Publicity- Gary Rowen, Past President- Mike Turner, Board members- Norm Nichols, Ron Kirchoff, Charles Volek, and George Alderete. All of these individuals will be introduced and confirmed by the membership at our December meeting.

I would like to thank Fred Miller with Leaning Oak Mesquite Works for providing our November program on the special boxes that he makes in his shop. He shared some innovative ideas on enhancing his boxes with different types of woods and materials.

Remember to mark your calendars; our first meeting of the year will be on the first Saturday of the month, January 6th 2018 at Bayland Community Center. We are meeting on this date because the second Saturday of January the Bayland Community Center will be closed due to the Martin Luther King holiday. We go back to a normal schedule for February.

If you have a program that you would like to see or you would be interested in doing a program for our club, please contact Charles Volek.

I encourage you to invite a friend or neighbor who might be interested in woodworking to our meeting. Work safely and be sure to wear your safety glasses.

Mike Turner -- President

Splinter Groups

CNC Router Splinter Group: The CNC router group will not meet in December. We will return to regular schedule in January.

Contact Mike Turner for further information at 281-633-1807 or mktturner49@gmail.com.

Hand Tool Splinter Group: The Hand Tool Splinter Group meets on the fourth Sunday of each month at Mark Bolinger's garage in Sugar Land near Hwy 6 and 90A. Email is the primary tool for schedule announcements; it will be used to communicate any changes or cancellations.

Email Mark for directions or details at marksmithb@windstream.net

Scroll Saw Splinter Group: The Scroll Saw Splinter Group will meet January 27, 2018 at Woodcraft South, Beltway 8, 9:30 AM. The topic of discussion will be announced in this column at a later date. There will be lots of Show N Tell and Problems N Solutions. For information contact Norm Nichols at 281-491-3220 or Denis Muris.

Toy Splinter Group: The toy group is currently working individually. Watch the newsletter for information about toy making efforts.

For more information please call Andy Anderson at (713) 409-7030.

Furniture Splinter Group: The furniture splinter group meets the first Thursday of the month. The next meeting will be on December 4th. All are welcome. We are continuing work on our Maloof inspired rocking chair projects.

For more information on the furniture splinter group, Lmcummings@hotmail.com

Sawmill Splinter Group is for those who are cutting and milling their own lumber or are interested in doing so. We discuss sawmills and lumber.

Anyone with logs to mill or an interest in the sawmill can contact Bill Lindsey at bill_lindsey@comcast.net.

November Program Recap



Fred Miller of [Leaning Oak Mesquite Works](#) shared secrets of his work with mesquite projects and a touching explanation of why. The box in the photos is an example of his work.

Web Site of the Month



On renaissance-woodworker.com

you will find a love of wood, hand tools, and 18th century pe-

riod styles. However, true to the name, Shannon Rogers just can't be tied down to one interest and you may run into many other styles, techniques, and eccentric oddities of woodworking.

In 2010 he launched the [Hand Tool School](#) where you can find a library of hundreds of hours of hand tool instruction and step by step projects. This is self paced, any time, any where woodworking instruction that won't require you traveling, taking time off work, or getting spousal approval .

You can also find him chatting it up with Wood Talk Online co-hosts Marc Spagnuolo and Matt Cremona every week on [Wood Talk](#).

Odds and Ends

Accepting Candidates for the 2018 Board of Directors Positions: During the December meeting, WWCH members will vote to elect the next year's Board of Directors. If you are interested in running for a position, please contact Lisa Sessions at lisaasessions@gmail.com to volunteer or for more information about a position. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor during the December meeting.

2018 Dues: It is not too early to pay your club dues for next year. See David Janowitz at the next meeting to get ahead of the game before those holiday bills come in.

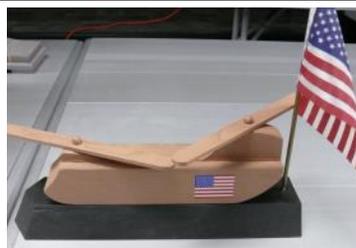
Please Make Sure You Sign in at Each Meeting: And when you do, please double check the information listed to ensure it is correct. Annotate any changes on the sign-in sheet and let David Janowitz or Patti Page know. Thanks for your help.

Show and Tell

PRESENTERS

Jack Hutchison Hammer Award
Gary Rowen Clock/Toy
Rich Bajenski Box
D.L. Dickey Foot Rocker
Bob Wink Folk Art
Lon Kelley..... Candlesticks
George Alderete..... Rocking Chair
Don Pott Intarsia Puppy
David Janowitz.... Cutting Boards/Stoppers/Coasters
Chuck Lickwar Toys
Jack Bailie Cutting Boards
Mike Turner Router Table

Show and Tell photos & write-up submitted by Gary Rowen.



Inspired by displays at VFW posts, **Gary Rowen** placed a toy Chinook helicopter onto a platform of Wink wood. The clock of inlaid dominoes from a double twelve set is of hickory and finished with sprayed lacquer.



Using a former sledge hammer handle **Jack Hutchison** created a mallet of red oak and walnut then donated it to the club. Jack finished with spray semi-gloss lacquer.



Rich Bajenski showed a lidded wooden box made with half-lap joints to form the sides. Box was made of maple with bubinga trim and lid was hand-carved to follow the figure. Box was finished with wipe-on natural color Danish Oil that was not wiped off, leaving a deep, somewhat plastic covering, (that has not fully cured after six weeks).

Show and Tell



Working from a photo in a magazine, **D.L. Dickey** made this foot rocker from poplar supplied by Bob Wink.



When **Lon Kelley's** daughter asked Lon to make her candlesticks for her friends wedding Lon made three sets, including one for himself. Lon used Wink wood and finished with spray polyurethane from a can.



Using hand tools, especially spokeshaves and chisels, on walnut **George Alderete** crafted this rocking chair and will make two more for his daughters. George finished with Danish oil.



From various pieces of scrap wood, golf club cover, mantle clock bases, and a bird feeder **Bob Wink** crafted some of his signature folk art work. Drawing chuckles from club members, Bob explained that the animal was a golden retriever and not a rat.

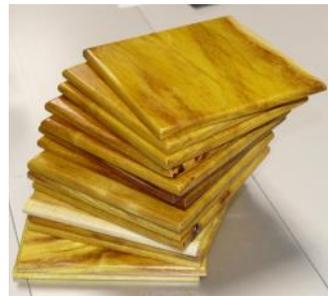


This intarsia puppy crafted by **Don Pott** for his wife came from a Kathy Wise pattern reduced in size by half. Don credits Charles Volek and Steve Wavro as sources of advice. Needless to say the puppy drew oohs and aahs.

Show and Tell



Jack Bailie's wife is a quilter and her patterns were the inspiration for Jack's cutting boards of maple and walnut. Jack finished with General Finishes Salad Bowl finish diluted with 50/50 paint thinner. He has also given away about twenty boards.



David Janowitz crafted square coasters of Osage orange, bottle stoppers of walnut and water oak and cutting boards of Osage orange and oak. David finished with water borne polyurethane but mineral oil on the cutting boards.



Chuck Lickwar made a boat load of toys for the WWCH toy program. These are just a few examples.



Mike Turner fashioned this portable router table from Wink1 wood and recycled router and metal products. Mike then gifted this router table to Bob Wink as a thank you for providing Wink wood to members.

Craft Show



Bill Harris ran the WWCH booth at the First United Methodist Church's Fall Festival in Missouri City. Bill was assisted by Denis Muras and Andy Anderson. Craft items for sale came from donations by WWCH members and proceeds will go to WWCH's own Harvey Relief fund for woodworkers. Norm Nichols and his wife also operated a booth at the festival.



Visit the Houston locations at:

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&
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Houston, TX 77031
281-988-9449

WWCH General Information

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NEXT MEETING

Saturday December 9, 2017

9:00 AM TO 11:30 AM

Bayland Community Center, 6400 Bissonet

Presentation: Chris Schwartz on "Wooden Boat School and Google Sketchup"

Guests are always welcome at WWCH meetings!

Newsletter Publication: Do you have an announcement or item for the newsletter? Send it to Ron Kirchoff, WWCH Newsletter Editor, at kirchko@gmail.com.

We're on the web!

www.wwch.org

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Woodworkers Club of Houston**

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 at Bayland Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet at Hillcroft. Guests are always welcome at no charge. Membership dues are \$36 per year, or about the price of one good clamp!