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OCTOBER MEETING

The program was presented by Adam St. John, Founder and President of the American Society of Furniture Artists. The ASOFA is a professional organization committed to preserving and promoting high professional standards in the art furniture field. ASOFA promotes art furniture ---any furniture which is hand crafted as a one-of-a-kind or limited-edition piece (functional or nonfunctional, traditional or contemporary.

Adam St. John presented a slide show of some of this years winners in there annual competition. The furniture pieces were very diverse from functional to non-functional pieces. He also showed us slides from the organizations slide registry that they use to promote the craftsmans work.

Many of the pieces have been presented in issues of Fine Woodworking.

If you would like further information on the ASOFA organization their National Headquarters are at P.O. Box 270188 Houston, Tx. 77277-0188 phone 660-8855.

From the slides that we saw there are some very creative craftsman all over the world

creating some very interesting pieces.

CHARITY SALE

The charity sale was held the weekend of the 25th and 26th and as always was a success due the hard work of all the committees. All the members who donated items to sell and the members that donated their time to make it a success,

The dollar sales were not as good as last year but we still have a few items to sell.

Some years we do better than other years. The main thing is that we gave it our best shot and all those that participated should be congratulated on their hard work.

ANNUAL DINNER MEETING AND THE GREAT SHOW AND TELL.

The Deadline is drawing near so get those

Registrations in now, Please fill out the enclosed form, attach your check and bring to

the November meeting or mail it today.

The dinner will be Friday December the 13th beginning at 7:00 P.M. with Fellowship, Dinner at 8:00 P.M., Introduction of Officers and the Great Show and Tell following dinner.

OFFICERS FOR 1992

Nomination of officers were held at the October meeting and remember we vote at the November meeting.

The following members have been nominated

to serve as your officers for 1992:

Denis Muras Vice-President: Jack Conry Sec.\Treasury: Bill Smith Board of Director: Ed Burger Board of Director: Joe Cook

SAFETY

This month we had another open forum on safety from the members. One member demonstrated a new dust mask that is similar to the throw away variety but includes a valve that allows you to exhale through the valve and not fog your safety glasses. It was suggested that this might be a good group purchase item, so look for a follow up.

Zatis brought up an Article in American Woodworker Oct. Issue #22 on stripping furniture. Certain chemicals can invade even good respirators and can give you a false sense of safety, some chemical strippers are very dangerous if you have heart problems--the best protection is to have good

cross ventilation.

PROBLEMS AND SOLUTIONS

Tom Talesek needed a source to mill some 20" panels--it was suggested that he try a pattern maker.

PROBLEMS AND SOLUTIONS (CON'T)

Ted Cooper needed some ideas on how to French Polish. It was suggested that he review the tape in the video library on finishing.

A member needed a source for Aluminum to fabricate an Aluminum fence-two suggestions

were Great Western Metals or Allied Metals.

BUY AND SELL

Remember to post your items on the blackboard at the meeting or send your list of buy and sell items to Sharon no later than 2 1/2 weeks before the meeting if you want it listed in the newsletter.

SHOW AND TELL

Don Richardson made an adirondicks chair from Norm Abram's plans, made out of Western Red Cedar which he donated to the charity sale. He also has plans for his router table that he had at show and tell at a previous meeting, the plans were for sale with the proceeds going to the clubs operating fund.

Chuck Maxwell showed us a Domino Box with a mystery locking top. He also had a stool and some tool boxes complete with tools for children to play with that he donated to the charity sale.

Robert Sandlin had some collapsible wooden baskets made on the scroll saw and a hot dog dog that you use for snacks by placing the items on toothpicks and inserting the toothpicks into holes drilled in the dogs back.

Denis Muras made some sliding business card holders with mother of pearl inserts. He recommends using the thicker variety of super glue.

Tom Gathright showed how he dovetailed the corners in a dice game that he made for the charity sale. He also had some cutting boards made from Corlan.

One member made some trash bag holders from a wooden frame and dowels to hold open paper sacks, which he donated to the charity sale.

Bill Hochmuth found some plans in an old issue of Fine woodworking for lamp bases made out of Zebra wood and walnut which he donated to the charity sale.

Fred Olsen made some horse shaped wall hangings, a Walnut and maple box, bear puzzles and checkerboards for the charity sale.

Joe Cook made some Santa Clause Puzzies from the Weekend woodworking magazine which he donated to the charity sale.

We also had a member make some very nice rolling pins from an old issue of Hands On.

The pins were finished in a non toxic finish and donated to the charity sale.

Ed Caesar made a rocking horse wall hanging, a box full of puzzles: chickens, squirrels, ducks, alligators, dogs, elephants, rabbits, he also made paper towel and napkin holders.

Tom Talasek made a Cedar chest bench which he donated to the charity sale.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

At each meeting we use the blackboard for our buy and sell, one meeting while returning the blackboard to storage, we suggested that the blackboard should be on casters--there reply was that others had said that it couldn't be done---ah-ha-a challenge.

Lewis Vallette designed and built two new frameworks for the blackboards, Dan Shaklovitz donated the wood, Loretta and Sharon Buckley sanded and finished the frames. We would like to thank them for there

contributions to the club.

NEW TOOLS

There are a lot of new tools coming out to attack our wallets--one type of tool is the random orbit sanders. The porter cable 5 inch and 6 inch disc sander has been out for some time and every member that has one has nothing but praise. The porter cable looks like the large grinders that were used for body work. But now Bosch and Ryobi have some new models out that are much more compact and \$40 to \$50 dollars less. There is also manufacture that is making an attchment that you can add to an existing grinder for under \$40. Has any member purchased any of these other sanders? and how do you like them?

PASADENA INDUSTRIAL TOOL SHOW

Pasadena industrial will hold its annual fall tool show on Friday November 22, Saturday 23 and Sunday 24. Just say "Johnny sent me" and you get in free.

NOVEMBER MEETING

WHEN: NOVEMBER 9, 1991 9:00 A.M.

WHERE: BAYLAND COMMUNITY CENTER ON BISSONNET AT HILLCROFT

PROGRAM: The program will be presented by Barbera Ceraley of Bluebonnet Woods on the art of Intarsia.

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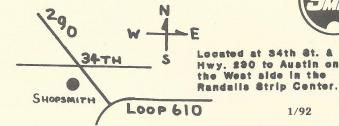
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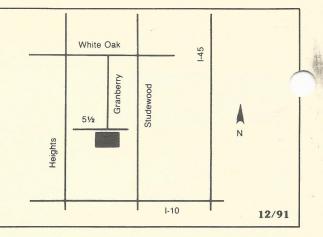
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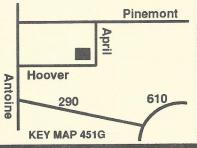
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