

# Woodworkers Club *of Houston*

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## WWCH Calendar

11 Jul .....	Furniture Splinter Group
13 Jul .....	Monthly Meeting
Jul .....	CNC Splinter Group
27 Jul ...	Scroll Saw Splinter Group
28 Jul ....	Hand Tool Splinter Group
1 Aug.....	Furniture Splinter Group
10 Aug.....	Monthly Meeting

## Monthly Raffle



**Get your ticket at  
the meeting!**

## New Members

**Welcome to WWCH**

**We are happy to have you**

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

This year seems to be passing so quickly that I can hardly believe that it is July already! We are closing in on our annual Summer Seminar, to be held at Crosspoint Church on the 13th of July. Our speaker has a reputation as an experienced and effective teacher, so I am looking forward to having George Vondriska at this meeting. Since our July meeting is open to the public, please invite your friends and neighbors who are interested in woodworking to join us for this day of woodworking.

Since we hope to have a number of non-members, we want to take this opportunity to show our work to those who might not have seen what the talented members of this club are capable. Since we want to leave as much time for our speaker's presentation as possible, we are going to structure this a bit differently than our normal Show and Tell. We ask that you bring your work for display, and we will have cards for you to fill out with space for a description of your piece, your name, and the wood species you used. If you prefer, feel free to bring your own written description of your piece instead of completing a card.

I guess that most of the members are aware of our plan to publish a book of toy patterns. We see this as a chance to get out the word about our club to a larger audience (Amazon customers), an opportunity to share our creative ideas with other woodworkers, and finally, to possibly raise some extra money for the club. We are therefore asking everyone who has a toy plan to contribute bring it to the next meeting or email it to Chris Schwartz. It goes without saying that we can't use someone else's copyrighted plan, but we can use plans where you have modified an idea you got from a book or internet site, etc. So from toy cars and animals to rocking horses and games, dust off your toy plans and let us put them in a book.

Another new feature of one of our favorite club activities is coming up during our October picnic. We will have a silent auction of our members' work. All members are invited to bring something you have made (out of wood, of course) to place in

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## Splinter Groups

**CNC Router Splinter Group:** The group meets at Bill Teague's workshop behind his house in West University Place. For information contact Bill at [wateague@gmail.com](mailto:wateague@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](mailto:marksmithb@windstream.net)

**Toy Splinter Group:** Toy Splinter Group: Currently all toys are constructed by individual members for donation to area children's charities. "Toy of the Month" plans and critical parts can be picked up at the WWCH monthly meetings.

For more information contact John Lastrapes, [jlastrapes@entouch.net](mailto:jlastrapes@entouch.net).

**Scroll Saw Splinter Group:** Scroll Saw Splinter Group will meet July 27, 2019, 9:30 AM, Woodcraft South (Betway 8). Topic of discussion will be all things scroll saw. Bring your Show-N-Tell items and lots of questions for Problems-N-Solutions.

For more information contact Norm Nichols at 281-491-3220 or Denis Muras at 713-876-0087.

**Furniture and Finishing Splinter Group:** The splinter group will meet Thursday, 11 July. The meeting will be held in George Alderete's shop. Details will be sent to all registered group members soon.

For more information on the furniture splinter group, contact Ron Kirchoff [kirchko@gmail.com](mailto:kirchko@gmail.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](mailto:bill_lindsey@comcast.net).

## President's Message (cont)

the auction. The club will process all payments, so credit cards can be used, and the club will take a small (10%) buyer's premium. This is a chance for our members to sell some of your work that may not yet have a good home.

Finally, we are still working to get the small group training going. Let me know if you are interested in attending or teaching a small group seminar.

Best regards to all, and keep engineering sawdust.

**Ben Tillison**

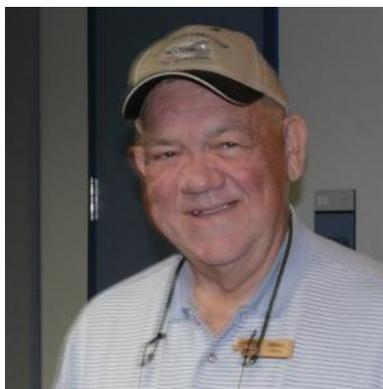
**WWCH President**

## July Seminar



George Vondriska is the speaker for our July Seminar, he has been teaching woodworking since 1986. In addition to running his own woodworking school, George has taught woodworking courses for woodworking shows, woodworking schools, and retail stores. During this all-day seminar George will address a wide range of woodworking topics involving both hand and power tools.

## June Program Recap



Our own Mike Turner drew on his extensive shop class teaching experience to highlight the importance of safety in the shop. He gave many great tips on protective gear, what to be aware of, and lessons learned.

# Show and Tell

## PRESENTERS

- Rich Bajeski** ..... The great onion experiment
- Fred Sandoval** ..... Router Compass
- Dan Schmoker** ..... Bowl
- Chris Farquar** ..... Intarsia
- Leigh Steinky** ..... Machine Gun
- Rick Spacek** ..... Sphere/Scrolled Egg
- Bernard Bynum** ..... Vacuum Tube
- Larry Baron** ..... Bowls
- Ken Moughalu** ..... Clocks/Box
- Dale Ward** ..... Adirondack Chair
- Singa** ..... Automaton
- George Graves** ..... Turnings
- Randy Jones** ..... Sign/Cutting Board

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



This beautiful black walnut bowl was turned by **Dan Schmoker**. It was finished with 4 coats of Waterlox



**Rich Bajeski** reported back to the club members on the results of his onion dye experiment.



**Fred Sandoval** showed his shop made router planes which used sharpened allen keys as blades and a large beam compass.



**Chris Farquar** crafted this beautiful intarsia horse head from maple and walnut with other accent woods. It contains approximately 30 pieces.

# Show and Tell



One of the more unusual pieces we have seen at meetings, **Leigh Steinky** explained how he researched and created patterns to make his machine gun.



**Larry Baron** turned various vessels with different inlays.



Rick Spacek made good use of his scroll saw with these two examples. The orb –in-hand had an additional feature, color changing LED illumination. Rick said he carefully drained the egg before adding the details.



**Ken Moughalu** brought in various clocks all of his own design, a lidded box, and a car made of scraps from the above projects.



**Bernard Bynum** created this unique antique vacuum tube display.



## Show and Tell



**Dale Ward** used plans he purchased from Rockler to build this comfortable folding Adirondack chair.

**Singa** demonstrated his latest automaton with an animated cat chasing a mouse.



**George Graves** put his lathe to good use turning these three differently shaped vessels.



**Randy Jones** is just beginning to learn the various uses for his new CNC, we can't wait to see what he comes up with once he gains more experience. He also discussed the challenges of getting the alignment right on this cutting board.



## Odds and Ends

**DON'T FORGET:** This month's meeting will be held at Crosspoint Church, 4601 Bellaire Blvd. The seminar is free to the public so bring a friend. A sub sandwich lunch will be available for \$10.

**Please Sign In:** Please remember to sign in at the monthly meeting. This allows us to get an accurate attendance which in turn gives us justification for reserving the big room for our meetings.

**Silent Auction Reminder:** There will be a silent auction at this year's picnic which is open to all members. It is not too early to get started on items you would like to enter.



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### NEXT MEETING

**Saturday July 13th**

9:00 AM TO 4:00 PM

Crosspoint Church, 4601 Bellaire Blvd

*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](mailto:kirchko@gmail.com).

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[www.wwch.org](http://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!