

CONEJO VALLEY WOODWORKER'S ASSOCIATION

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APRIL MEETING

Sharpening Tools

End the mystery of how to get your tools sharp! Stan Wolpert mastered the art of sharpening and fine tuning had tools. The April program is still being developed. Stan will give a short overview on the materials needed for sharpening tools and discuss how to sharpen planes and chisels, John Tarpley will spend a few minutes describing how to sharpen turning tools, and Milt Kretsch will reveal how to sharpen and alter drills. Following the overview, the group will break up into hands-on sections: Stan will lead a group on handtools, Milt will lead a group on drills, and John will lead a group on turning tools.

If you want to sharpen a tool, please bring the tool, your oil stones, and your water stones. Keep in mind that depending on the condition of the tool, you may not be able to completely sharpen it, but you can get the feel of how to do it correctly. Or, if you prefer, just listen and watch.

CVWA dues are due

Dues for 1997 remain at \$20 per year and were due at the March meeting. Most members have already renewed their membership. The CVWA is a great place to meet woodworkers, discuss problems and projects, and to share experiences. If you haven't paid your dues for 1997 please give your check to the Treasurer at the April.

MARCH MEETING NOTES

At the March meeting, the new Board of Directors was installed. Although Everitt & Ray didn't get to the meeting, the evening was well spent. Brad asked the members to introduce themselves. There are a lot of new members, and

with new people come new interests, new skills, and new ideas. Most of our experienced members are delighted to share their knowledge and experience with "novices." Following the introductions, Bill Brandt showed the group how the table saw should be serviced, and described tricks to make maintenance easier.

CONGRATULATIONS PRIZE WINNERS

OOP's - Somehow the list of prize winners didn't make it to the newsletter this month. Although the Editor can't remember who got the small biscuit joiner, dead blow hammer, or Quad Driver, we hope you enjoy them. (Don't any of you remind the Editor about the second thing to go during the aging process!!!!)

JUNIOR'S TOOLS - WELCOME

Junior's tools recently opened in Oxnard. Junior's stocks an excellent, wide selection of hand and power tools and accessories at discount prices. They have agreed to offer additional discounts to CVWA members.

813 E. Ventura Blvd.

Oxnard, CA 93030

Phone: 805-278-0937; Fax: 805-278-3919

SPECIAL THANKS TO HOWARD JOHNSON

At the last meeting, Howard Johnson passed "the gavel" on to Brad Ormsby as President on the Conejo Valley Woodworkers. He is in good company, the other Past Presidents are Howard Ford and Duane Nightingale. During Howard's term, the group went through many changes - many new members, a new meeting place, a library, a newsletter, discounts to members by woodworking materials vendors, and different programs. Certainly Howard had a little help making these accomplishments happen, but all of the people who enjoyed the meetings and the people worked directly

with Howard appreciate his organization and easy going "management" style. Many thanks for not only keeping the CVWA going, but for making it better and bigger.

ITEMS WANTED OR FOR SALE

Ads go into the bulletin, and we rarely learn whether an item was sold or bought. Recently I learned that Felix Masci bought his Shopsmith, Stephen Case-Pall sold his radial arm saw, and Cal. Lutheran Preschool got wood scraps through these ads. Great news! Glad we helped.

For Sale

Shopsmith, purchased in 1995 for \$2465. Includes lathe and tools, circular saw, band saw, and complete manuals. Less than ten hours use - almost brand new. Asking \$2000. Contact Roger Steere, 805-498-3214

Carter ball bearing guides for band saw, like new. The cost new was \$325.00. For sale for \$150.00. Live ball bearing center for lathe tail stock, never used. For sale for \$75.00. Contact Simon Smith @ 805-497-4954

Wanted

The California Lutheran University Early Childhood Center would like donations of wood scraps for pre-school children to use with their workbench and tools and small wood scraps for wood collages. Contact Susan Goldberg, 495-7580.

THANK YOU FOR THE WOOD SCRAPS

Thank you for all for the wood scraps. We are using them to improve children's small-motor and visual-motor skills. The wood has a very distinctive texture. The children create wood sculptures using the scraps and white glue, and pound nails into the scraps on their workbench. We discovered that the children love to sand the blocks of wood. Thank you for helping us recycle your wood scraps. Please keep saving them for us.

- Susan Goldberg

SPECIAL EVENTS

New Yankee Workshop

The New Yankee Workshop is on the TCI Home
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and Garden Channel (66) in Los Angeles County and on GTE Americast. Check your TV listings. If any of you have the details, please let us know.

Los Angeles Woodworking Show

The Long Beach woodworking show will be held April 18, 19, and 20, at the Long Beach Convention Center. Beside the vendors there are free and paid seminars. The free workshops and demonstrations are about one-hour, and cover:

Woodworking and Turning Seminars

Hand-cut Dovetails	Turned Boxes
Mortise and Tenons	Basic Spindles
Raised Panel Doors	Production Turning
Stack Moldings	Plates and Platters
Border Inlay	Natural Edge Bowls
Cutting Circles	Vegetable Ivory

Projects

Cutting Ellipses	Making Pencils
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Workshops

Carving Faces	Making Wooden Boxes
Relief Carving	Entertainment Center
Picture Framing	Bandsaw Techniques
Customizing Kitchen Cabinets	

2-1/2 Hour Seminars

Mastering Your Tablesaw
Solid Wood Carcase Construction
Building Solid Wood Tables
Furniture Joinery
Door and Drawer Construction
Woodworking on the Internet
Custom and One-Of-A-Kind Furniture.

For more information contact:

The Greater Los Angeles Woodworking Show
1516 South Pontes Ave; Los Angeles, 90025
310-477-8521

Copies of the program booklet that contains the schedules and has discount coupons from the exhibitors will be available at the April meeting.

Design in Wood Exhibition

The 16th annual Design in Wood Show will be held at the Del Mar Fairgrounds north of San Diego from June 17 through July 7. If anyone wishes to enter the juried competition, brochures will be available from:

Superintendent, Design in Wood Show
Del Mar Fair - Entry Office
2260 Jimmy Durante B'ld.

Del Mar, CA 92014-2216
Phone: 619-755-1161

In addition to the awards given in the various categories, the exhibitor also has the opportunity to make contacts for future sales. Although no sales take place at the fair, by pricing items entered in the fair, the exhibitor gives the fair the right to give exhibitor contact information to interested buyers. Also, the exhibitors are given contact cards of interested buyers.

CVWA in WOODWORKING MAGAZINES

A few months ago, *American Woodworker* featured **Barry Wood's** multi-purpose woodworking jig. This was mentioned in one of the earlier letters.

The May 1997 Issue of *Popular Woodworking* showed a picture of **Duane Nightingale** relaxing near the beautiful clocks that he made, and described some of his very fine workmanship.

Howard Ford's article "Doing the Twist - Layout Techniques Inspired by Stewart Mortimer" was published in the March Issue of *American Woodturner*, the journal of the American Association of Woodturners. Last year Howard Attended a workshop by Stuart sponsored by the Glendale Woodturners' Guild. Stuart Specializes in the almost lost art of complex spiral turning. This inspired Howard to develop an easy to follow layout that can be used for various types of twists.

CVWA congratulates Howard, Duane and Barry on the publication of their work in national woodworking magazines.

OLD TIME HARDWARE STORES

At the last CVWA meeting, the question arose

about obtaining hardware for antique reproductions. Many of our members suggested Crown City Hardware in Pasadena.

Crown City Hardware
1047 N. Allen Avenue
Pasadena, CA 91104
(818) 794-1188

Apparently we were not the only group to be concerned about special hardware. The following Sunday, the March 9, Los Angeles Times Real Estate section featured an article "Nuts, Bolts, and Know-How." Readers were polled for their favorite hardware stores. The favorites were B&B Hardware in Culver City and Koontz in West Hollywood. For those who like to visit old-time hardware stores, below is the list from the Los Angeles Times.

Altadena True Value	Altadena
Anza True Value	Redondo Beach
B&B Hardware	Culver City
Balk's	South Pasadena
Bakers	Glendale
Bay Hardware	Seal Beach
Bradley's	Burbank
Busy Bee	Santa Monica
Callahan's	Mid-Wilshire, LA
Carter Hardware	Beverly Hills
Coast Hardware	Laguna Beach
Conley	Montclair
Cooney Brothers	Ontario
Covina Hardware	Covina
Crown City Hardware	Pasadena
DeNault's	Laguna Niguel
Emil's	West Los Angeles
Empire	Mission Hills
Fulkerson Hardware	Somis
Gerald's	Westchester
Home Base	Foothill Ranch
Home Depot	San Fernando
Koontz	West Hollywood
La Quinta Ace	La Quinta
McVey's	Temple City
Newhall Hardware	Newhall
Nor-Mar Stores	Chatsworth
Orchard Supply Hardware	South Pasadena
Pioneer and Lucern	Beverly Hills
Powell's	Claremont
Robb's Plumbing	Thousand Oaks
Rompage	Hollywood

Roscoe	Sun Valley
Tashman	West Hollywood
Verdugo	Glassell Park, LA
Virgils	Glendale
Yorba Linda	Yorba Linda

LIBRARY NEWS

To better secure our books, magazines and tapes, a lockable bookcase is being built to keep the collection at Redwood School. If you would like to donate plywood, heavy duty 3" or 4" casters, or other components, or would like to help build it, please call Stephen Case-Pall, 805-491-3660.

So that we can take inventory, if you borrowed a book without leaving the jacket card in the library, please return the book or the card signed by you. Many thanks.

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CVWA BADGES

Orders for Conejo Valley Woodworkers name badges are being taken at Club meetings. The laser-etched wood badges cost \$4.50 each. Orders will be taken at the April meeting.

SEND US YOUR NEWSLETTER INPUTS!

- Vendors that offer discounts to club members
- Special topics, questions, or local events
- Items of interest to club members
- Items for sale or items needed

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