



Redwood Intermediate School
 233 W. Gainsborough Rd, Thousand Oaks
 Entrance on Camino Manzanas

MEETING DATES
 First Thursday of each month – 7:00 PM

PROGRAM
March 3 Paul Demeen – All you wanted to know about saw blades but were afraid to ask.
April 5 To be determined

TRIPS
March 5 To be determined
April 7 To be determined

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February Meeting

Elections

The election of new board members was held at the February meeting. The following members have been selected by the membership to serve on the board of directors for the coming year beginning in March. No new nominations were received from the floor at the February meeting.

President	Mike DeCaprio
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Stephen Case-Pall will become past president.

Show and Tell

Bill Gourley demonstrated a lock he devised to keep the legs and body of reindeer decorations in place. A block on the stationary part of the joint serves as the keeper for a spring (fabricated from pallet strapping) placed on the movable part of the assembly. The combination may serve well in other applications.

Program

Mr. Bud Close the store manager of the new Rockler store in Pasadena described the status of the project. The store, scheduled to open about March 15, 2001, is located at 79 S. Rosemead Blvd., Pasadena, CA 91107. The store will stock almost all of the catalogue items as well as a selection of woods. He

donated a gift certificate for the raffle as well as distributing discount coupons redeemable at the store. We will email the membership when we receive confirmation of the actual opening date. Mr. Close has recently transferred from a similar managerial position in Milwaukee, WI.

Howard Johnson demonstrated the use of the Kreg jig for making pocket holes. The new jig has some improvements over the older one. Some points to remember are to clamp the pieces together to avoid bowing and to use the proper tapered screw – coarse threads for softwoods and fine threads for hardwoods. He demonstrated techniques for making cabinet stock and cabinet joints.

January trip

On Saturday, January 6th, Brady Anderson hosted the Club at his workshop, **Heartwood Milling**. He does custom milling such as turning special table legs, railings and cabinetry, as well as custom pool cues.

Brady first discussed how different woods are selected. The woods are specially selected for figure and grain straightness and direction. Beautifully figured wood that might be acceptable for furniture or cabinetry may not be sufficiently strong for a long thin pool cue. To reinforce some of these woods, he sometimes reinforces the wood with a long maple dowel in the center of the figured wood. He showed us a variety of wood pieces that he uses for the cues.

Next he showed us how the wood is tapered. He machined aluminum jigs that accurately position the cutter as it moves along the lathe. This way he has access to a variety of angles and can insure that the handle and shaft each has the same taper.

Finally, he showed us how he inlays the points around the base of the handle. The handle is mounted on a mill and placed at the correct angle. A 90 degree cutter cuts a groove of the proper length. Brady built a lock that rotates the wood to the next position and secures it for the next cut. This way, any number of points can be placed around the handle. Since the groove is 90 degrees, a square piece of wood can be glued in place and the excess turned off. We thank Brady for inspiring us to try new ideas in our workshops. *Ira Goldberg*

Visitors

Visitors at the February meeting included Eddie Edwards, Todd Collins, Morris Womack, Ron Robinson, Robert Boydston and Richard Kingsbury. We all hope they return in March to become members.

New Members

Welcome to the following new members; Paul Brockway, Austin Ivey, Bob McKay, Gunther Mowes, Bob Carey, Wallace Fields and Hans Olsson.

Raffle

The winners are:

Forest 10" Combination Blade
Bob McKay

Makita Finishing Sander
Bill Thomas

25' Center point measuring tape
Dave Smith

Rockler gift certificate
Bob Boydston

March Meeting

Mr. Paul Demeem, from the Ventura location of Carbide Saws, will discuss the selection, care, sharpening and safety issues associated with saw blades. The March meeting will be held in the cafeteria.

Announcement

We now have an official address – CVWA, Post Office Box 1838, Thousand Oaks, CA 91358-0838. It's another way to get in touch with the club.

The Dues Are Due

Club membership dues are due on March 1, 2001. As in the past, renewal memberships will be \$20.00 for the year and new memberships are \$25.00. Please get your check to Marlene Peters as early as possible to take the "last minute" load off our very patient treasurer. You can send your check to our new address at CVWA, P.O. Box 1838, Thousand Oaks, CA 91358-0838.

Also, while you're writing checks, don't forget that we still have some caps available for \$15.00.

March Raffle

Porter Cable 12" dovetail machine
Porter Cable Random orbital sander

April Raffle

Black and Decker 14.4 volt Cordless drill/driver
½ hp, 6" bench grinder with work lights

For Sale

Apollo Sprayer, HVLP model 900. \$450. Call Bill Arnold 805 527 6092

Celebrity Members

Did you check out the article in *Woodworker's Journal ezine* about Ronn Nelson and John Witt? Their motorcycle project was featured in the Jan 16th issue. Congratulations!

Thanks

We wish to thank the management of Junior's Tools, H&M Hardwoods and Conejo Hardwoods for their continuing support of the CVWA. We remind the membership that these companies do provide discounts to us.

Newsletter

For the first time in many years, the CVWA must pay to have the *Bladerunner* printed. In order to defray some of these costs – both printing and postage, the Board has requested that as many of the membership as possible download or read the newsletter on the web. Beginning in April, the new issue of the *Bladerunner* will be posted approximately a week prior to the meeting. An email will be sent to the addresses we have on our

membership list to remind you that it is available. If you decide that an electronic copy suits your needs, then contact the editor at gkocis@bigfoot.com to have your name removed from the hardcopy mailing list.

In addition, filling up 3 pages of text is an awesome task. If you have any shop tips, suggestions, tricks, pictures, plans or recommendations for the club, please send them to the editor. We will be glad to post your contributions to the club.

Library items

Many items still have not been returned to the library. We ask you to do so at the next meeting. The Board is considering reminding the membership by way of this newsletter that you are delinquent.

Wood vendors

The following is a partial list of vendors who provide club members with discounts.

H & M Hardwoods & Moldings

19 Aviator St.
Camarillo, CA 93010 805-987-3877

Hardwood Specialties

7801 Canoga Ave.
Canoga Park, CA 91304 818-703-6472

Higgins Lumber

13290 Paxton Ave.
Pacoima, CA 91331 800-241-1883

Integrity Wood Products

7836 Alabama Ave.
Canoga Park, CA 91304 818-704-7490

Mayan Lumber

2930 Los Olivos
Oxnard, CA 93030 800-937-8890

Eisenbrand Hardwoods

4100 Spenser St.
Torrance, CA 90503 800-258-2587

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

AUGUST 4 – 5, 2001

Decorative Veneering with Paul Schürch

One of our goals this year is to provide more woodworking education for our members. As partial accomplishment of this goal we are planning the first of what we hope will be a continuing series of woodworking weekends with nationally known and respected professional woodworkers.

We are pleased to announce that we have our first seminar planned for August 4 –5, 2001. Paul Schürch is from Santa Barbara and has agreed to provide us with a two-day intensive introduction to decorative veneering. Paul's work is showcased in a feature article in the March 2001 issue of *Wood Magazine*. You can see more of Paul's work on his Web site at <http://www.schurchwoodwork.com/education.html>. Paul is not only an excellent artisan, but also a recognized teacher. He regularly teaches at the Mark Adams School of Woodworking.

We feel very fortunate to be able to offer this weekend and feel that Paul can provide a world of information. The presentation will consist of a lecture and slide show on various techniques and finished furniture. Depending on the size of the class, we may also have limited hands-on experience in basic veneer cutting and handling of various materials

In order for this event to occur we need at least 20 members to sign up by our meeting on March 1st, so please check your calendar before our next meeting. It is our intent to make this event a benefit to club members and at a cost that is reasonable. The maximum cost will be \$50 for both days. That sum will also include lunch, provided by the club, on both days. We hope, and anticipate, that more than 20 people will participate in this seminar so that we can lower the cost for our members. **For additional information about this event please feel free to contact Brad Ormsby at 818 991-1130 or John Tarpley 805 447-4204**

**Conejo Valley
Woodworkers Association
Membership/ Program Survey
2001**

Name _____

Address _____

City/Zip _____

Email _____

**Please check the programs that you
would be most interested in seeing
at our club meetings:**

___ **Sharpening:** Type of tool _____

___ **Hand tools:** Type of tool _____

___ **Power Tools:**

___ table saw ___ band saw

___ lathe ___ shaper

___ joiner ___ planner

___ drill press ___ radial arm saw

___ router ___ sander

___ biscuit joiner

___ Grinding/buffing wheels

Other _____

Shop aids:

___ jigs/fixtures ___ dust collection

Others _____

___ Shop layout

___ Finishing

___ Sanding

Designing/layout:

___ furniture ___ cabinetry

Other _____

___ Lathe turning

___ Equipment Manufacturers demos

___ Carving: Type _____

___ Marquetry: type _____

___ Veneering: type _____

Projects:

___ furniture ___ cabinets

___ chairs ___ caneing

___ clocks ___ toys

___ boxes ___ tools

Other _____

___ **Wood:**

___ dying ___ bending

___ adhesives/glues

___ **Workbench design**

Would you host a tour of your shop?

___ Yes

___ No

Would you like to visit other shops?

___ Yes

___ No

**Are you interested in receiving or
offering help to other members on
projects or specifics of
woodworking?**

___ Yes

___ No

**Would you like to be active in club
activities, committees or projects?**

___ Yes

___ No

Areas of interest _____

**What projects would you attend at a
Saturday "shop" meeting?**
