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Editor's Message

It seems like just days since we had our last meeting, nevertheless your board of directors is actively working to bring more exciting and educational events to the members of the Conejo Valley Woodworkers' Association. We look forward to your comments and suggestions on how we can improve the programs, events and seminars.

Another Forewarning! – The May meeting, that's May 1, 2003, is your final cut-off for paying your annual membership dues. Avoid having your name being removed, as a member in good standing, by paying your annual dues at the next meeting.

April Program

Tim Albers (that's me, your Editor) was the presenter at the April 2003, meeting. The presentation included the purchase, moving and restoration of old woodworking machines.



While I work on a variety of equipment, I enjoy restoring old band saws most. The presentation included a discussion of the various places to locate and purchase machinery, including the newspaper, used equipment dealers, Internet

websites, auctions, school auctions or sales and lastly, EBay. In addition to locating machines, the discussion also included tips to consider when buying an old woodworking machine and ways to move that new beast! As a reminder, pay special attention to condition and missing parts, there's nothing more frustrating than buying a great old machine that can't be used.

The April presentation continued with an overview of the steps involved in either refurbishing or restoring equipment. In summary the steps involve an inspection and documentation process (remember, take pictures), disassembly, planning (consider what needs to be done with each part), removal of old paint and rust, repainting and cleaning, replacement or repair of broken or worn parts and finally, assembly and adjustment.

The presentation concluded with a short discussion of the steps involved in restoring the small Davis & Wells band saw I brought to the meeting.

**See you at the May
1st Meeting**

April Show & Tell

The April Show & Tell was an extensive one, with a number of unique projects. **Gene West**



started with a woodworker action character and a separate dancing man toy.

Harland Hamberg showed-off a

grasshopper and **Marshall Nathanson** displayed a small wooden train.

The show and tell continued with **Howard Ford**



demonstrating an impressive crosscut table saw sled. **Robert Coyle** displayed two carvings from a recent classical carving class he attended. **Bill Gourlay** brought along a wooden butler and lastly, **Tim Albers** displayed a dovetailed box.

In addition to recent member projects, we had our first Tools & Materials discussion. **Marlene Peters** led off the topic by displaying a small pneumatic pin nailer and **Howard Ford** continued with a hearty recommendation of the Grip-Tite Magnetic Featherboard.

March Prize Winners

Lucky ticket #7142592 purchased by **Bob Holmquist** started the April raffle winning a router bit set. **Wolfgang Ludeking, Neal Rogers, Travis Hall, Russ Ireland, Dan Gallo** and **Doug Laird** all walked away with at least one donated saw blade. **Bill Gourlay** won a featherboard, **Bruce Peretz** won a drill bit set and **Neal Rogers** won a Vega tenoning jig. The big prize of the evening, a Porter Cable 690VS router went to **Harry Poschman**.

April Shop Tour

We had an informal and enjoyable visit on April 5th at **Tim Albers'** shop with 18 members in attendance. In addition, the March shop tour at **Bill Gourlay** and **Chuck Diedrich's** shops attracted 21 members.

Member Profile

Brady Andresen will be the presenter at the May 2003 meeting. Brady is the owner of Heartwood Milling and Braden Cues, located in Oxnard. Brady, an original member of the club, is an accomplished woodworker producing a variety of custom projects. Brady currently spends about 60% of his time creating architectural millwork and the remaining 40% on his pool cue business. The millwork consists of molding, custom profiles, curved work and custom doors.

Brady became interested in woodworking back in high school and has been working with wood ever since. He became interested in making pool cues after he started playing pool in his early 20's and currently makes cues for the US market as well as Japan. Brady employs two people, the CVWA president, **Marlene Peters**, being one. (Brady secretly told me Marlene was his favorite.) In addition to his wide knowledge base, Brady has an extensive shop and offers services, such as wide belt sanding or jointing or planning extra wide boards.

General Information

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New Members

We had three new members at the April meeting. From Simi Valley we had **Jeremy & Kathy Adams**, from Thousand Oaks, **Rich Minnich**, and from Westlake Village, **Peter Pennington**, member #200!

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for May 1st with a presentation on Wood Grading and Pricing. **Brady Andresen** will be the presenter and will also discuss the use of dial calipers in the woodshop.

Brady will be hosting a Shop-Tour of his professional woodworking shop. The Shop-Tour will take place on the Saturday after the meeting (May 3rd) from 9am to 11am. Look for flyers at the May meeting. In addition to custom millwork Brady also manufactures a line of custom wooden pool cues under the Braden Cues name. Rumor has it that donuts and coffee will be served.

Announcements

In the June issue of the Bladerunner, we will be including a member roster, which will include the name, phone number and e-mail address of all members. If you'd like to **OPT-OUT** of this roster, please contact Marlene at #499-1015.

For those woodturners in the club, the AAW (American Association of Woodturners) will hold their 17th annual national symposium in Pasadena on June 27-29, 2003. If you're even remotely interested in turning, this is an excellent event. Go to www.woodturner.org for more information.

The AWFS show is back in Anaheim this year running from July 31st to August 3rd. Go to <http://awfsfair.org/> to learn more.

Seminars, Demonstrations and Field Trips

TOY PROJECT – Please see the separate flyer in this issue.

The new CVWA Mentor program is well underway. There are 12 members who have volunteered to participate in the new program. Please see **Ira Goldberg** if you'd like to volunteer.

Ira Goldberg is continuing to arrange for a finishing seminar with expert finisher Michael Dresdner. Stay tuned for more on this.

Classifieds

Stephen Case-Pall has the one and only classified for the month – A Packard (Delta knockoff) Drill Press with 5 speeds, a 5/8" capacity chuck and ½ HP motor. All this for only \$45 to CVWA members. #491-3660

Upcoming Prizes

REMINDER – BRING PLENTY OF CASH FOR THE RAFFLE.

The May meeting will have an assortment of excellent raffle prizes, including an upgraded member prize – a \$50 gift certificate. Other prizes will include a Stanley low angle block plane, a woodworkers' dial caliper, a Veritas sharpening system jig, a set of Marbles woodworking chisels and more!

Miscellaneous Items

Makita, Inc. has announced that it is recalling about 350,000 random orbit sanders. The pads on the sanders can break apart during operation and cause injury. The recalled sanders are models BO5000 and BO5001. Call Makita at (800) 462-5482 for more information or the location of the nearest repair facility.