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Editor's Message

The March meeting marks the beginning of our new fiscal year, the 11th year of our association. With the beginning of our new year the club has a new set of elected officers and board members. Your elected officers for the 2004 - 2005 year are:

President	- Arlen Handberg	Webmaster	- Aubrey Grey
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The New Board along with the outgoing board of directors had its first meeting of the new year on February 19th. The new board is excited about the upcoming year and is eager to implement a lot of exciting and new ideas for the upcoming year.

Howard Ford Lifetime Membership Recognition

Many of the club's past presidents joined to present a plaque to **Howard Ford**, one of the club's founders and the first President. Howard was recognized for his past service to the club in the position of president, board member, Webmaster and mentor to many members. Howard served the club for ten years and provided valuable insight on everything from wood turning to creating the club's by-laws. Howard will be moving to Dayton, Nevada, near Carson City in the coming months.

February Presentation

I think we're all intrigued by the idea of building our own kitchen cabinets for a bathroom vanity and **Bill Aurand** made the process seem simple



at our February Meeting.

Bill displayed a vast array of photographs of his work,

from the first stages of the destruction, to construction and completed work. Bill walked members through many of the challenges of building custom cabinets like the clearance issues faced with dishwashers and tile counter tops. Bill also displayed a number of photos showing his solutions for creating additional storage in tight spaces. In addition to various corner cabinets and draw configurations, Bill also showed us some unique toe-kick draws and slender cookie sheet cabinets.

Just to prove he's one of us, Bill also shared some of his goofs over the years.



We had a good laugh with Bill's story of screwing new cabinets through the wall and right into a pocket door he didn't know was there. It was a great presentation and Bill shared a lot of useful information with the club members. We're looking forward to a follow-up presentation in May, where Bill will continue his discussion on cabinet construction.

February Show & Tell

We started off the Show & Tell on a roll as **Gene West** brought along two more terrific toys, a mechanical marble toy and a tightrope walker. **Bob Fahrnbruch** showed off some cabinet doors and **Chuck Diedrich** displayed a carved Red Tailed Hawk. **Jordan Greer** brought us a coat rack that he made for his grandchildren and a silver box that he refinished. **Felix Masci** displayed several bowls made with a Ringmaster lathe jig. **Bill Gourlay** showed us a very unique bookcase he made. The "California Wave" bookcase made with curved sides has a state map of California inlaid into the top. And, finally **Stephen Case-Pall** showed off some refurbished chisels with turned handles and a custom made scratch awl.

February Prize Winners

It seems like the raffle prizes get better each month. In February, **Hal Schroeder** walked away with a Woodworker II saw blade, **Larry Hoopes** won the marking gauge, **Pat Bradshaw** took home the Long Ranger dust collection switch and **Don Tanhauser** and a guest each selected a Bessey Uniklamp. The raffle continued with **Jeremy Adams** winning the epoxy kit, **Carl Stude** got the block plane, **Bill Aurand** won the Glue-bot and our new member **Steve Elliot** had lucky number 271093 to win the Delta miter saw.

February Shop Tour

The Shop Tour for February was an interesting excursion to Woodland Hills to see Tom Goodacre's woodworking, machinist, welding and automotive shop. Tom's shop is certainly not typical and those members present were treated to a look at one unique shop. Although Tom is not a member of our club, we thank him for the opportunity to visit his shop.

General Information

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Upcoming Meetings

The March meeting will bring us another finishing expert. Brian Miller will be discussing a variety of wood finishing techniques.

- **March Shop Tour** •

Wolfgang Ludeking will host the March shop on Saturday, March 6th. Look for flyers and more information at the March meeting.

- **April Meeting** •

Bill Aurand will finish his presentation on kitchen cabinet construction at the April meeting. Bill will also host a shop tour at his shop the Saturday after the general meeting.

Announcements

Remember, your dues must be paid by the March meeting.

A single membership is \$30 for new members and \$25 for renewing members. Family memberships are \$45 for new members and \$30 for renewing members. New family memberships needing more than two badges will be charged \$7 for each additional badge.

February New Members

When it comes to new members we had another great meeting in February, where we welcomed four new members, **Steve Elliot** of Camarillo, **John Molina** of Thousand Oaks, **Tom Robison** of Thousand Oaks and **Glen Rose** of Calabasas.

Classifieds

Brady Andresen has a 14" by 40" Logan metal lathe for sale. The lathe would be perfect for woodturning and comes with a 5hp 3 phase motor and some tooling. Contact Brady at 805-988-4012 for more information.

Woodworking Hints

Making a Box Joint Jig

Box joints (or sometimes called finger joints) continue to be one of the more attractive joints available to woodworkers and the combined gluing surface results in a very strong joint. The good part is that accurate box joints are relatively easy to make with a simple table saw jig and a stacked dado.

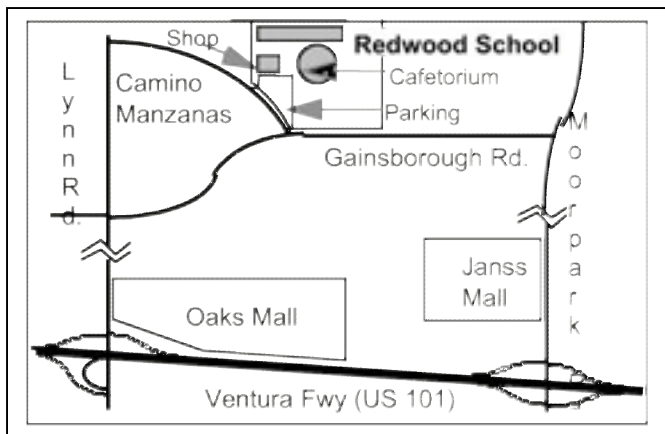
To make the jig start with a 12" to 16" piece of hardwood or plywood to act as a fence and a hardwood guide strip the desired thickness of the fingers. First rip the guide strip from a freshly jointed piece of hardwood. Rip a strip about 12" long and then cut this strip into three pieces. The extra pieces will be used later help layout the joint.

Mount the stacked dado in the saw and make a test cut. With dado shims adjust the width of cut so the guide strip fits the test cut. You want a joint that is tight but can still be assembled with only hand pressure. Place a short auxiliary cutoff fence on your table saw's rip fence and set it 3" to 4" from the blade, then using the saw fence as a stop, place two thicknesses of the guide strip against your rip fence and slide the jig fence over until it touches the guide strips.

Screw the fence to your miter gauge and plow a dado through the fence. Remove the screws from the miter gauge and slide the fence over until it touches the rip fence without the two guide spacers. Reattach the fence to the miter gauge and plow a second dado through the fence. Remove the miter gauge (with attached fence) from the saw and attach a short length of the guide strip into the first dado with glue and a screw. By varying the length of the guide strip you can cut a single board or gang several boards together.

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Meeting Dates
First Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM

Upcoming Programs

Mar. 4th Finishing with Brian Miller

April 1st Bill Aurand on
Cabinet Making, part 2

Upcoming Trips and Events

Mar. 6th Shop Tour with Wolfgang
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