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Editor's Message

The August meeting will feature Richard Miller, from A&R Cabinet Finishers. Richard will discuss methods and techniques for finishing wood. The September meeting will feature the abrasive folks from "A Cut Above" who will show their wares, bring abrasives to sell, and also bring samples.

Upcoming Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Thurs. August 3rd	Regular Meeting	Redwood School
Sat. August 5 th	Shaker Box Workshop	Brady Andreson's
Weds. August 16 th	Breakfast at IHOP, Newbury Pk.	2315 Michael Dr
Sat. August 19 th	Wood Machinery Workshop	Brady Andreson's
Thurs. Sept. 7th	Regular meeting	Redwood School
Sat. Sept. 9th	Scroll Saw Workshop	Brady Andreson's
Sat. Sept. 23 nd & 30 th	Toy Workshop: Helicopters	Bill Aurand's
Oct. 5th	Annual Auction Meeting	Redwood School
Oct. TBA	Toy Workshop: Boxes	Marshal's

July Meeting

The July presentation was by member **Robert Arnold**, who demonstrated the art of making Shaker boxes. Robert uses trays of water to boil the sidepieces rather than steaming the wood. That bypasses the need to make a steaming cabinet, and works just as well. He has made forms for most all standard size boxes, which nest inside one another for storage. Material for boxes is available in kits, which will be ordered for the Shaker Box Workshop to follow on August 5th. The most difficult part of making them is turning small square toothpicks, with which to attach the tops. Robert contracts those out to another club member.





August Challenge

The August challenge is to make “something to wear” from wood. Scuttlebutt has it that there will be some quite unusual challenges coming for this one. **Enter the challenge for a chance to win a great raffle prize.**

November Challenge

The next challenge will be in November, as our annual auction takes up the October meeting entirely. This one will bring out the kid in all of us, not that that is difficult to do. It is to make something of wood that launches a projectile. If you’re thinking of making a full sized cannon, there are some restrictions: 1. The ammunition must be limited to commercial marshmallows. 2. It must be demonstrated at the meeting. This could be our best challenge so far. Go for it!!

Next Toy Workshop

On Saturday September 9th there will be a scroll saw workshop at Brady Andreson’s shop. Dan Gallo will assist, and will give a scroll saw program the previous Thursday. This will be a combination skills workshop as well as a toy project workshop. Participants will be making puzzle boxes for our Toy Project while gaining skills on the scroll saw. No previous experience

with the scroll saw is required. Please remember to bring your own chair, as most of the work is done seated. Scroll saws will be provided. If you have your own, please bring it.

Upcoming Workshop

The next workshop will be on Saturday, August 5th, at **Brady Andreson’s** shop. Participants will make shaker boxes from kits, using the boiling bending techniques seen in the July presentation. **Be sure to make your wishes known to Tim Albers, if you wish to attend,** so the appropriate number of kits will be ordered. The cost of the kit, which will make five nested boxes, is about \$40. As some of the work is done seated, please bring your own stool or chair.

July show and tell

July’s show n’ tell had a great turnout. **Arlen Handberg** brought toys and games that he makes for craft fairs.



Robert Farnbruch brought some turnings completed during his woodturning class in Utah.



Gene West brought in a motion toy. See the car running down by the red arrow.



Bob Pollard brought his scratch-built Kentucky Flintlock, which was actually a marshmallow blowgun. Guess where the idea for the next challenge originated?



Attendees were guest **Warren Brown**, of the Channel Islands Woodturners, and the following members: **Mark Cher, Bill Aurand, John Fowler, Bill Waters, Dan Waingrow, Felix Masci, Wolfgang Ludeking and his brother, Wilfried Ludeking, Bruce Peretz, Rob Herman Paul Brockway, Tim Albers, Stephen Case-Pall, Dick Wakefield, Lee Truman, Dick Harmon, Brian Connell, Tom Duck, Gene Haurey**, and of course the four shop owners.



Tom's shop.



Bob's shop.

Progressive Shop Tours

We had a turnout of about 24 members and one guest for our first progressive shop tour. It was planned to take about an hour at each shop, less travel time, and everything went like clockwork. We met at 0900 at **Tom Denton's** shop for coffee, and donuts, then on to **Bob Pollard's** shop at 1000. From there to **Dave Studley's** shop, ending at **Arlen Handberg's** shop for lunch. The weather was a real killer at 103 degrees, but **Tom Denton** helped us stay cool by dragging a cooler of cold water and soft drinks from shop to shop. It was great as usual to see how other woodworkers set up their workspace, and get the most out of their tools. **Bob Pollard's** shop was by far the coolest, in the literal sense as it was in his basement. **Dave Studley's** shop was a marvel of use of space. **Tom Denton's** was beautifully organized, as was **Arlen Handberg's shop**. Thanks to Arlen and his wife for ordering and presenting a fine lunch at their home.



Dave's shop

Many thanks to staff photographer **Bill Aurand** for the pictures.



Arlen's shop





Raffle Prizes

At this date, raffle prizes have not yet been purchased. We can count on **John Knittle** to come up with some good stuff by the meeting. Previous prize winners have been: **Mark Tsujihara**, Delta grinder; **Harry Poschman**, Bessey clamps; **David Madison**, set of Two Cherries chisels; **Jordan Greer**, Gripper; **Michael Craine**, flush cutting saw, **John Fowler**, bonus bucket and knee pads; **Don Andrews**, laminate trimmer; **Russ Ireland**, clamps and glue; **Andrew Purdy**, ebony; **Martin Kircher** cordless drill; **Ron Taylor**, toolbag; **Gene Haury**, clamps; **Ron Taylor**,

ratchet driver; and **Paul Brockway**, featherboards. The prizes get spread around, and with the small number of entrants, this is one raffle where increasing your number of tickets really does increase your chance of winning.

In Memoriam

On May 20th, 2006 we lost long time member Eugene George Strojek to cancer. Gene was an avid woodworker, a retired machinist and a volunteer at Redwood School's wood shop. He was born Sept. 19th, 1934 in Queens, NY, and married to his wife Janet for 51 Years. We knew Gene for his rocking horse toys and for his willingness to share his knowledge.

Annual Auction

Our annual fund-raising auction is scheduled for October 5th. Here is a short list of some of the things that have already been donated:

- PowerGlide 2 hp/4gallon compressor with brad nailer kit (value \$115)
- (6) Carriage Style garden lanterns with oil lamps and mounting poles
- (3) pair leather gloves with long gauntlets for fireplace
- (2) small battery powered screwdrivers with bits
- (2) garden wind chimes
- Makita #BO5010K random orbital sander with case (value \$65)
- Craftsman cordless drill/driver
- Stationary bike
- Rowing machine
- Mortising machine
- Cordless drills
- 36" paper cutter

Bill Aurand and **Arlen Handberg** have volunteered to organize our annual auction. **If you have something to donate NOW, either Tim Albers or Brady Andreson, have volunteered storage space in their respective shops/warehouses. Contact them.** This is our major income-producing activity, and it's time to get started on it as well. If you have a donation, Call **Bill** at 527 6092 or **Arlen** at 527 0211.

September Meeting

September will bring a presentation by our own Dan Gallo who will present Scroll Saw techniques, hints and how-tos. Following the meeting presentation, we're going to host a Scroll Saw Workshop at Brady Andresen's Shop Oxnard. We're encouraging all members with Scroll Saws to bring their saws out and learn new techniques and helpful hints. If you don't have a scroll saw you're still welcome to attend and will be partnered with someone else so you'll have a chance to use a saw to make some projects. Email Tim at talbers@missionpro.com, with any questions.

Machine Tool Workshop

This will be a skill-building workshop on August 19th. CVWA will break the workshop into four groups, which will rotate, among the four stations for about an hour each. Brady Andresen will lead the jointer/planer session, Marshall Nathanson the bandsaw, Arlen Handberg the router, and Tim Albers the table saw. There will be a special raffle after the workshop finishes. Mark your calendar to attend if you'd like to take advantage of this workshop.

Vendor List

The following vendors support us by offering discounts to those with a valid membership card.

Carbide Saw 2521 Grand Ave, Ventura 805-644-5917

Conejo Hardwoods, 31275 La Baya, Westlake Village. 805 497-0025

Empire Hardwoods, 60 Moreland Unit B. 805 578 1833

Far West Plywood. 18450 Parthenia St. Northridge. 818 885-1511

Klingspor's Woodworking Shop
www.woodworkingshop.com 800 228 0000

Lane Estanton (H&M Hardwood) 19 Aviator Ave. Camarillo. 805 987-3877

Integrity Wood Products. 7836 Alabama Ave. Canoga Park 818 704-7490

Mayan Lumber 2930 Los Olivos, Oxnard 805 981-4555

Roadside Lumber & Hardware 29112 Roadside Drive, Agoura Hills 805 497-1486 Code: 1230

Rockler Torrance. 20725 Hawthorne Bl. Torrance. 310-542-1466

Siggia Hardware. 16260 Raymer St. Van Nuys 818-787-1650

Sign up on www.siggia.com and mention CVWA for contractor pricing

Sun Brothers Enterprises. 4350 Eileen St. Simi Valley 805 526-5794

Conejo Electric Motor. 31200 La Baya #305 Westlake Village 805 495-0556 See Bill Butler

Woodcraft Beach Bl. @ 22 Fwy. 10% excludes sale items and power tools.

Rockler Pasadena

