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## Upcoming Events

Day	Date	Time	Event	Location
Thursday	April 5	7:00 PM	Regular Meeting	Redwood School
Wednesday	April 18	9:00 AM	Breakfast at Pickles	1940 Newbury Pk. Rd.
Thursday	April 19	7:00 PM	Board Meeting	TBA
Thursday	May 3	7:00 PM	Regular Meeting	Redwood School
Saturday	May 5	8:00 AM	Woodworking Show	Pamona – Bus Trip
TBA	June 14	8:00 AM	Malooof Shop& Museum	Alta Loma – Car Pool

### April Meeting – The Four Stations

April's meeting will consist of four "Stations" with members demonstrating skills and techniques. To ease the problem of getting a good view of things, two stations will be in the Cafetorium, and two will be in the woodshop. Be sure to attend this popular meeting and learn from our best!

#### In the Cafetorium

All You Need to Know About Circular Saw Blades: Tim Albers  
Router Types, Trimmers and More: Brady Andresen

#### In the Shop

Turning Techniques and Demonstration: Stephen Case- Pall  
Mortising: Surprise Guest

### Bimonthly Challenge & Show n' Tell

April's challenge is to make a Tacky Tourist Trinket. Join in the fun and earn a Challenge raffle ticket for your efforts. Bring your treasure to the April meeting, proudly display your piece of trinketry before the membership and share in the good-natured revelry.

### Raffle News

Feeling Lucky? Be sure to buy lots of chances to win tools, gadgets and more at the monthly raffle. Members receive one "free" ticket for an opportunity to win the member's prize. All may purchase tickets and place them in the various boxes next to the many prizes available.

### Membership Badges

Please wear your membership badges at meetings. Inquiring minds want to know your name! If you've misplaced your badge, nametags are available at the sign-in table. To order a new badge, please see Dave Studley at the meeting. New badges are only \$9.00.

### Club Library

#### by Paul Brockway

CVWA members are encouraged to take advantage of the Club's library. At each of our meetings the library will be open for members to peruse books, tapes, and videos. You can check out materials during the opening session, 6:30 to 7:00, and during the intermission of our monthly meetings.

This year we plan to expand the library's offerings by way of budgeted expenditures and donations from Club Members. Please contact Paul Brockway, or Dave Hergesheimer, if you have suggestion on additions to the existing library. We are also looking for donations of books, videos or woodworking magazines.

For those of us that have library materials, checked out or otherwise, please bring the materials back so that they may be enjoyed by other Club members.

### Breakfast at Pickles Deli & Restaurant

Every third Wednesday of the month, our members meet for breakfast at Pickles Restaurant, 1940 Newbury Rd. in Newbury Park. The gathering is informal and everyone is invited. It's a good chance to shoot the breeze with the people you've met at CVWA. If you've not been there before, **Dan Waingrow** or **Bill Watkins** just might buy your breakfast.

### Pamona Woodworking Show

Another great bus trip to the Pamona Woodworking Show is scheduled for Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. For the bargain price of \$30.00 you can meet in the Redwood School parking lot to enjoy coffee and donuts from 7:30-8:00 AM with your fellow woodworkers. The fun will be just beginning! If you would like to preview the vendors and demonstrations, visit the show's website at <http://www.thewoodworkingshows.com>. You'll also find coupons that may help ease the burden buying new tools. The bus leave the showgrounds at 3:00 PM and returns to Redwood School at approximately 5:00 PM. The large bus has ample storage for all of your purchases, comfortable seats and will be stocked with refreshments for the return trip. Please see Chuck at the meeting to sign-up.

### Editor's Notes

I'm pleased to be working for club members by editing the newsletter. Thank you to Stephen Case-Pall and Bill Aurand for the digital pictures, Aubrey Grey for help with getting it on the web, and Paul Brockway for writing two articles. Please send me your photos, stories, workshop reports and ideas for each issue. My e-mail is [cylex@mail.com](mailto:cylex@mail.com). I look forward to hearing from you.  
Cynthia McAlexander

### *The Bladerunner* Issue #133

#### 2007 Board Members

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## MARCH MEETING NOTES

### Drill Press Tune-up -- Tim Albers

Woodworking can be a great hobby or career. It is also quite easy to be overwhelmed with the breadth of its universe. Each type of tool or machine seems to have its own set of information equal to earning a college degree. Tim Albers, Past President and owner of California's best wooden cowboy hat, treated attendees at the March meeting to a course in Drill Press 101 (for beginners, like me, it seemed like Drill Press 301).

Tim and Brady Andresen took time to assemble and tune-up the Delta drill press before the meeting. The bright new heavy and shiny machine was nicely displayed before the meeting. Tim began with the basics and related that all drill presses have a base unit of cast iron and noted that the bigger the base the better support for the tool.

Some details of making adjustments were given for the secrets of aligning the chuck. *Brady's Backroom Technique* was not divulged during this public meeting. Tim did mention something about a wooden mallet, but no real confirmation was given that they used such a device during their tune-up. Tim did recommend taking time to align the chuck properly.

Discussions of various fences followed with recommendations for finding plans for making your own. A few safety tips were also given and included the need for securely clamping down items and not using the drill press as a sanding drum. Tim described the various types of drill bits and their uses and passed around samples of some unusual bits. He suggested using paraffin wax on the drill bit to reduce squeaking.

Drill Press 101 was a great introduction to drill presses for beginners and a way for those experienced in using a drill press to learn how to refine their techniques. All those listening increased their knowledge of how to use the right drill bit for the job and generally get the most out of their drill press.

### Congratulations March Raffle Prize Winners

Member's Prize-Saw Blade	Bernie Huberman
Drill Doctor	Mystery Man
Huskey Pro Wrenches	Bill Battocchio
DeWalt Drill Bits	Jerry Wolf
DeWalt Hammerdrill	Hanss Olson
Grab Bag	Another Mystery Man

### Workin' Hard Awards

The CVWA appreciates the consistent, dependable and quality work that three of our members have certificates at the March meeting.

**Dave Studley** for his work with maintaining membership records and annual dues/renewals

**Tom Denton** for providing nutritious and delicious refreshments at monthly meetings

**Dan Gallo** for bring, setting-up, and taking down the sound system for every meeting for many years

### Hand Plane Workshop

*by Paul Brockway*

On Saturday, March 3, Brady Andresen generously opened his workshop to 23 CVWA members for a day of plane fettling. Each hand plane was accompanied by its own special story: "It belonged to my Grandfather," "I found it at a garage sale," "It's a family heirloom, but no one knows how to make it work!"

By the end of the workshop most of these planes had been tuned (fettled) so that they were making beautiful thin shavings. Even the owners of the wooden planes, often referred to as "flatlanders" or "luddites", went home with a precision woodworking instrument. The success of the workshop was the result of the efforts of the participants and the knowledge and instructional assistance offered by Stan Wolpert, Stephen Case-Pall, Paul Brockway, Brady Andresen, and Tim Albers.

## Vendor List

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

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

**Empire Hardwoods**  
60 Moreland, Unit B  
Simi Valley  
805-578-1833

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

**Klingspor's Woodworking  
Shop**  
[www.woodworkingshop.com](http://www.woodworkingshop.com)  
800-228-0000

**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](http://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  
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