

# CONEJO VALLEY WOODWORKER'S ASSOCIATION

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### Editor's Message

Your editor thanks you for the many compliments he has received regarding the August 2008 *Bladerunner*. It's usually a thankless job to collect information, photographs and write the newsletter, so it was very rewarding to get those many calls and emails. It's nice to feel appreciated.

On a more sober note, it's time to get into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Computers are now universally available to all, and the *The Bladerunner* has been completely electronic since August 2005. The cost of printing the newsletter, with color pictures is an unnecessary drain on our treasury. Over 95 percent of our members have computers and receive *The Bladerunner* online. If you do not have a computer or access to one, one is always available at any library. Starting with the November issue, ALL copies of the newsletter will be online only. There will be no more mailed hardcopy issues.

### Upcoming Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Thursday, Sept. 4th	Regular Meeting	Redwood School
Wednesday, Sept. 17 <sup>th</sup>	Informal Breakfast Meeting	Pickles,
Thursday, October 2 <sup>nd</sup>	CVWA Annual Auction	Redwood School
Saturday, November 3	Woodworking Show	Costa Mesa Fairground

### June Meeting

The August meeting featured member **Marshall Nathanson** presenting a slide show and narrative showing the steps involved in creating a project, in this case a closed box, from tree to finished product. **Marshall** had documented the infamous Somis Oak's falling, all the way through milling, drying, cutting, jigging, machining, assembling, hinging and finishing to the final product. The presentation was complicated by the sudden notification that we could not use the Cafetorium for our meeting. Through the combined efforts of **Marshall, Bill Brandt, Brady Andreson and Stephen Case-Pall**, alternate plans were formed and the meeting was moved into the center atrium and **Brady** adjusted the schedule to fit the presentation into the natural darkness. It should also be mentioned that **Marshall** had prepared the program in advance for emergency use if one of our presenters could not make it. Considering all that, we owe him a special "Thank you!"

### September Challenge

A reminder for all of us who wait to the last minute: The September challenge is to make "Something that rolls" of wood. That is about as wide open as it can get, so get rolling out to the shop and get your challenge finished for Thursday night.

## September Meeting

The September meeting will present member Dave Hergesheimer with a program telling us all we need to know about dust collection. Dave is a retired wood shop teacher, and is known for his wood turnings, especially his focus on wooden “food”. By now most of us know the importance of good dust collection in the shop, especially when it comes to exotic woods. A surprising number of our members have developed allergies to some exotics, and we are now cognizant of the dangers of long-term exposure to the very fine dust that often escapes most dust collectors. Dave will show us how to get the most from our dust collection systems. Be sure to have your questions ready at the meeting

## Mega Raffle

The **MegaRaffle** is **nearing the time for the drawing**. We are close to meeting our goal, and September may be the last time you can enter. There will only be one winner for these big-ticket items. Our first MegaRaffle will offer a brand new **Porter Cable 7518** router, with a list price of \$780; and to put it into the hottest router table around, it will also offer a **Bench Dog Prolift**, considered one of the top router lifts, with a list price of \$444. That’s a list price value of \$1224! The raffle will continue selling tickets each meeting until a set amount are sold (to pay for the items), then the drawing will be held. You will have to put your name on the back of each ticket you buy, so you won’t have to be present to win. If you took your tickets home to put your name on them, don’t forget to bring them to the September meeting and get them in the drawing box. Tickets are \$1 each or 25 for \$20. Get them from **Stephen Case-Pall** at the meetings. See the May *Bladerunner* for pictures and specs on the router.

## CVWA 9<sup>th</sup> August Potluck Picnic

The picnic, now to be an annual event, was an outstanding success. About seventy members and their guests attended, including many members attending for the first time. **Dan Gallo and Rob Crombie** were almost overwhelmed with requests for scroll saw nameplates. They brought computers, software and scroll saws to make them for all who requested. **Dave Hutter** ably assisted on the scroll saw. **Brady Andreson’s** parents provided their rancho for a perfect setting, including the use of those marvelous stainless steel **Magma BBQ’s**. **Heidi Albers and Kanan Andreson** outdid themselves organizing, decorating and getting the food and drinks ready. **Bill Battochio, Dave Hutter and Stephen Case-Pall** were the acting chefs grinding out some mean hamburgers and hot dogs. **Tim Albers and Stephen Case-Pall** turned wooden tops for guests. There was a show-and tell table, a great raffle that offered ebony, micrometers and calipers, and members brought a fantastic variety of super (low calorie?) desserts.

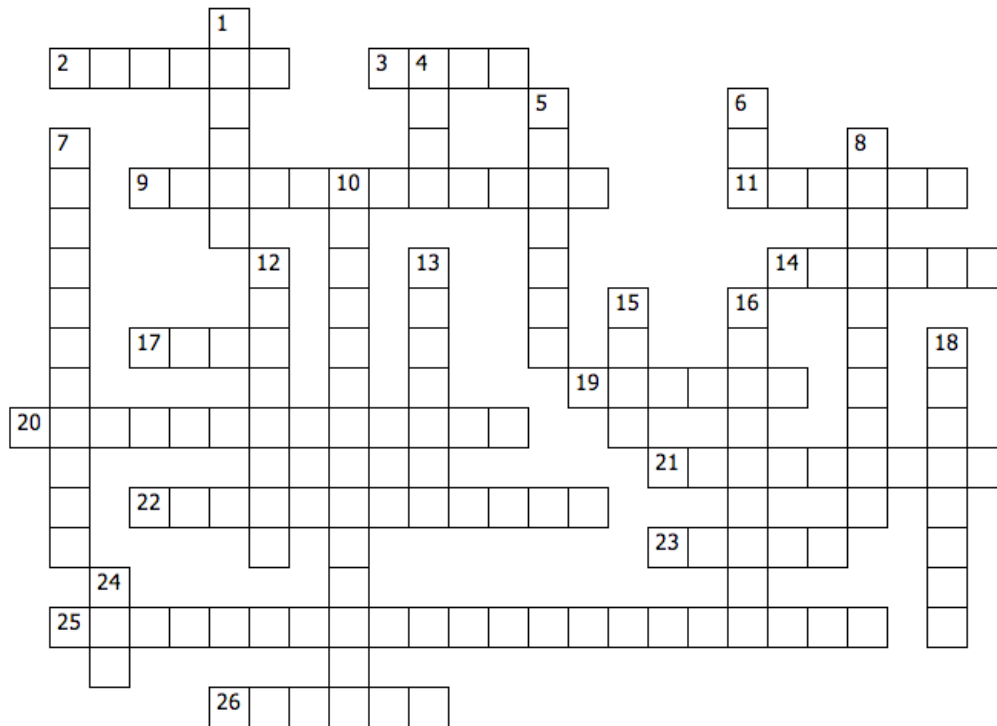




September Puzzle

Due to the enthusiastic response to the August puzzle, member **Joel Oksner** toiled for days to create the following woodworkers crossword puzzle for you. See if you can fill it in.

## September Puzzle



### ACROSS

- 2** The Rolls-Royce of wood lathes.
- 3** A groovy tool of old.
- 9** Finished with alcohol and shellac.
- 11** The gradual change in color due to oxidation.
- 14** Another term for sliding dovetail.
- 17** Rides in miter slots.
- 19** A company with true grit.
- 20** Used to reduce permeability of wood surface.
- 21** Assembled with Kreg's system of joinery.
- 22** A woodright.
- 23** Low angle, for example.
- 25** A pile of oily rags?
- 26** The vertical elements of a frame

### DOWN

- 1** A forerunner to the drill driver.
- 4** A crosscut groove.
- 5** Alternate for plate.
- 6** Cut with the grain.
- 7** A dovetail king.
- 8** MD\_\_.
- 10** Common alloy used in tool bits and blades.
- 12** Stop horsing around about this sticky subject.
- 13** A file used to shape irregular surfaces.
- 15** Iron support.
- 16** The new guys in Ventura.
- 18** For large arcs.
- 24** Teeth per inch

## October Meeting

It's come upon us faster than we thought!! Our annual fund-raising auction is set for October. **Chuck Pearson** has again volunteered to coordinate the auction, being pressed to do so after doing such a great job last year. Please give him all the help you can. He can be reached at 482 3202 or [pennychuck@verizon.com](mailto:pennychuck@verizon.com) He will be seeking help to actually keep the auction moving, take payments, tag items, etc. In the meantime, start NOW to find those items around the house and shop that you don't use any more and can donate. Woodworking stuff is great, but anything will work. Also, contact Chuck for letters of authorization to solicit donations from businesses in the community. This is our main source of income that is used for the benefit of members; please support it wholly. If

you have something that needs storage until the auction, contact **Brady Andreson, or Tim Albers**. They will store it for you.

## Raffle Prizes

At this time, there is no word on what September's raffle will bring, but John is out there spending your money like a drunken sailor, so we know the prizes will be good.

## Special Interest Groups

The **Turning SIG**, coordinated by **Stan Wolpert**, met at Stan's house with the intention of turning gavels with walnut donated by **Arlen Handberg**. The group instead turned thin stemmed goblets with the walnut, which turned out quite well.

**Other SIG leaders:** PLEASE Send a description and photos of your SIG activities to the editor at [casepall@roadrunner.com](mailto:casepall@roadrunner.com) so we can keep the other members informed of what's happening. Emailed photographs are welcome also.

## Upcoming Workshops

### UPCOMING WORKSHOPS:

We're looking into the possibility of having a workshop to make a potting table/bench. If this appeals to you, let **Brady Andreson** or **Tim Albers** know.

We haven't forgotten the "**Barn Raising**" workshop at Stephen Case-Pall's shop. Instead of a new barn, it will be an addition to the side of the barn, and will involve all typical construction techniques. As soon as the foundation is poured, we'll set a date. If you are interested in participating contact **Tim Albers, or Stephen Case-Pall**

## Vendor List

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

**Conejo Hardwoods La Baya**, Thousand Oaks

**Do It Center**. 3775 Thousand Oaks Blvd. Thousand Oaks 497 2753

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

**Lane Stanton Vance** 720 Graves Ave. Oxnard, CA 93030 805 987 3877 [www.lsvlumber.com](http://www.lsvlumber.com)

**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

**American Fastening Systems Inc**, 591 Constitution Ave. "D" Camarillo. 388 1552 Ask for Al Redline

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

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