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Editor's Message

The Costa Mesa Woodworking Show was better than expected. Thanks to Chuck Pearson for single handedly setting the whole trip up. If you missed that one, be sure to save time for the next one. I scored some terrific bargains on blade guides, wood, and measuring instruments as well as stocking up on the usual stuff. Others seemed pretty pleased with the show, too. Also, don't forget to VOTE on Tuesday. We're in for some major change regardless of who wins the presidency.

Upcoming Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Thursday, Nov. 6th	Regular Meeting	Redwood School
Saturday, Nov. 15th	Woodcraft Store Grand Opening	Woodcraft, Ventura
Wednesday, Nov. 19 th	Breakfast at Pickles (Informal)	Pickles Restaurant, NP
Thursday, Nov. 20 th	Board of Directors Meeting	Stephen Case-Pall's
Thursday, Dec. 4 th	Regular Meeting	Redwood School

October Meeting

October was our annual fund-raising auction. It was a particular festive affair, with many members either pounding the pavement for commercial donors, or donating their own personal material. As usual, the preponderance of items were woodworking related, and the bidding was unusually spirited. We're set for another year without raising taxes, ah, dues, and are planning next year's events and mega-raffle. Chuck Prarson did a super job of organizing, recruiting, collecting, and storing to make the auction possible. Brad Ormsby did his usual outstanding stint as auctioneer, assisted by Bill Aurand, Stephen Case-Pall, Marlene Peters, Arlen Handberg, Paul Brockway, Stan Wolpert, Tim Albers, Tim Denton, Al Fournier, Bill Watkins, Barb Kaufmann, and Mr. & Mrs. Dave Studley, all of whom pitched in to make the auction run like clockwork.

There is some consideration to having the 2009 auction off-site on a weekend, where we could combine it with food and refreshments, and not be rushed to finish as we usually are. Please give your opinions and suggestions on that topic to Brady Andreson, Tim Albers, Stephen Case-Pall or any Board member, as we truly value your input.

Here are some views of the auction and preview:



November Challenge

It's not too late to crank out your entry in the November challenge: "Something of Wood that Flies" Be prepared to demonstrate your entry's aeronautic capabilities. Motors, magnetism, air power, psychic levitation and atomic energy are all acceptable methods of getting your woodie off the ground.

Our next challenge is scheduled for January, 2009 and is "Some kind of tool from wood" That should be pretty easy and useful for every one of us, regardless of our woodworking preferences, but especially all the Handtool SIG guys. Remember it should be made between November 2008 and January 2009.

November Meeting

Our November meeting will be the ever-popular "Stations", with members presenting their skills for small groups to choose from. Presenters will be Brady Andreson, Paul Brockway, Stephen Case-Pall. Tim Albers. Stephen will demonstrate making a spiral twisted scratch awl. Paul will show how we can use woods that are grown locally (and often free for the hauling). Tim's presentations are always "standing room only", and Brady will demonstrate the use of a forklift to change ceiling fixtures.

November Raffle by John Knittle

1. Lie-Nielson Block Plane No. 1 - What can I say about this item. If you don't have this plane you need to get one. Carry it in your work apron like the big guys on television do. Remember it's made of brass and bronze so wash hands after use. I don't know why.
2. Lynx Brand Handsaw, Crosscut, Made by E. Garlick & Son in Sheffield England. After all the power saws that we have given over the years, this saw is a return to the traditional way of cutting wood. No need to worry about cutting your fingers off. Ask some of our older members for instruction on how to use a handsaw.
3. Hamlet Craft Tools, Alan Lancer Skew, 5/8" wide. This is the son of the larger Alan Lancer skew that we gave away in August. A tool that you woodturners who work on small things must have. Again another fine item made in Sheffield England. An excellent tool for cleaning your fingernails or ears.
4. Kreg K3 Master System. Made in America tool system. This is the tool set you need when making cabinets. This K3 system is the upgraded version with the vacuum attachment. Make big bucks making new cabinets for your neighbors and friends. You won't be able to hurt yourself while using this set.

Mega Raffle

We didn't have time to sell tickets at the Auction meeting, so we'll be doing so this November. We're less than \$200 of breaking even on the prizes, so we should tie it up at this meeting and hopefully have the drawing at the December meeting. Remember, you don't have to be present to win; just put your name on the back of the ticket. The MegaRaffle offers a brand new Porter Cable 7518 router with a list price of \$780, and to put it into the hottest router table around, we 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! . Let's tie it up for a finish at this meeting, so we can have the drawing next month. For the next MegaRaffle, we'll probably offer a high-end Band Saw! Tickets are \$1 each or 25 for \$20. See the May *Bladerunner* for pictures and specs on the router.

Special Interest Groups

Turning SIG: The Turning SIG was hosted by Stan Wolpert on Saturday, October 25th. Dan Gallo, Lee Truman, Dave Hutter, Felix Masci, Stan, Ray de la Motte turned thin platters, or in Stan's case, a thin saucer. Paul Brockway and Stephen Case-Pall were there to assist SIG members.

Bill Battocchio held a toy workshop on Saturday 18th to build helicopters for the December toy project. Dave Studley and Chuck Howard were on hand, and the three of them turned out a surprisingly large number of toy helicopters. Stephen stopped by to enjoy a chocolate chip cookie.





The Scroll Saw SIG met at Dan Gallo's and also produced toys for the December Toy Project. Members Dan Wainegrow, Dan Gallo, Gene Moutes, Tom Walsh and Michael Pearson produced wooden duck pull toys.





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



Thanks again to our auction donors:

We'd like to thank the vendors who so graciously donated tools, material and gift certificates to our auction in October.

DoIt Center, 3775 Thousand Oaks Blvd. TO. Shop Vacuum

Roadside Lumber & Hardware, 29112 Roadside Dr. Agoura Hills. Makita cordless impact driver drill, True Power impact drill.

Mayan Hardwoods, 2930 Los Olivos, Oxnard. Maple butcher block

Far West Plywood, 18459 Parthenia Place, Northridge. Gift Certificate, \$25

Conejo Hardwoods, 31275 La Baya, Westlake Village. Gift Certificate. \$100

Superior Moulding, 59953 Sepulveda Blvd. Van Nuys. Gift Certificate. \$100

Lane Stanton Vance, 720 Graves Ave Oxnard. Assorted lumber and project wood

B&B Do It Center, 698 Mobile Ave, Camarillo. Gift Certificate. \$25

American Fastener, 581 Constitution Ave, Suite D, Camarillo. T-shirts

Siggia Hardware, 16260 Raymer, Van Nuys. Gift certificate

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.

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

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

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.

Rockler Pasadena 83 south Rosemead Blvd Pasadena 91107

Superior Moulding. 5953 Sepulveda, Van Nuys 91411 818 376-1415 (15% discount)

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For Sale

Brian Connell is seeking Al Shapton water stones and other Shapton products. Call him at 526 6482