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Upcoming Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Thursday Sept. 3 rd September 10 th	Regular Meeting Jig SIG	Redwood School Arlen Handberg's
Saturday Sept. 12 th September 12, 13	Hand Screw Workshop Rocky Mtn. Woodturning Symposium	Brady's Shop Loveland, CO
Wednesday Sept. 16 th	Informal Breakfast Meeting	Pickles, Newbery Park
Thursday, Sept. 17 th	BOD Meeting	Stephen Case-Pall's
Sat. September 19 th	Turning SIG	Stan Wolpert's
Thursday, October 1 st	Annual Auction	Redwood School
Saturday, October 3 rd	Shop Tour and Lunch	See Handout @ Meeting
Tuesday, October 8 th	Jig SIG	Arlen Handberg's
Thursday, October 15 th	BOD Meeting	
Saturday, October 17 th	Turning SIG	Stan Wolpert's
Wednesday, October 21 st	Informal Breakfast Meeting	Pickles, Newbery Park

August Meeting

Our speaker at the August meeting was **Tom Mooney**, of E. B. Bradley Co., and **Tom Johnson** of Salice. Bradley is a leading wholesale distributor of high-pressure laminate, cabinet, furniture and store fixture hardware, BHK Uniclic flooring and woodworking supplies. Salice makes cabinet hinges in the European style. In addition to educating us about cabinet hardware they brought some nice freebies that woodworkers always appreciate. Thanks also to **Marlene Peters**, who brought tons of woodworking magazines for us to take home

September Challenge

If you have any suggestion for coming challenges, please call **Stephen Case-Pall at 805 491 3660**. or email to casepall@roadrunner.com . We'd appreciate your input.

September Meeting

September's meeting will be a member-participation meeting. Don't forget to bring an unusual woodworking tool to the show-and-tell for this meeting. The more oddball, the better. This is your chance to make the meeting interesting, so please be sure to participate. We have a few oddballs in the group, so we should have some oddball tools. You can count on your editor as one of them.

Membership Raffle Prize

Something new for September and hereafter: Instead of a separate Membership Prize, each member attending the meeting will receive one regular raffle ticket, **both halves**. He/She can then enter half of their ticket in any regular raffle prize of their choice. This will broaden the scope of the membership prizes and give members a greater choice of prizes.

Heart Box Workshop

On July 25th **Bill Aurand** hosted a toymaking Heart Box workshop at **Arlen Handberg's** shop. Besides **Bill** and **Arlen**, **Loren Stone**, **Brian Connel**, **Dale Iddings**, **Tom Walsh**, **Al Fournier**, **Bill Battocchio**, **Wolfgang Ludeking**, **John Fowler**, **Dave Studley**, **Chuck Pearson**, **Marshall Nathanson** (**signing in as Donald Duck**), all showed up to pitch in. They made 120 heart boxes, and with the cutouts, 120 "magic" wands. Good food and a good time was reported. Unfortunately Arlen's band saw blade broke, but he was right there to replace it, but the new one wouldn't cut. He'd installed it **upside down**.



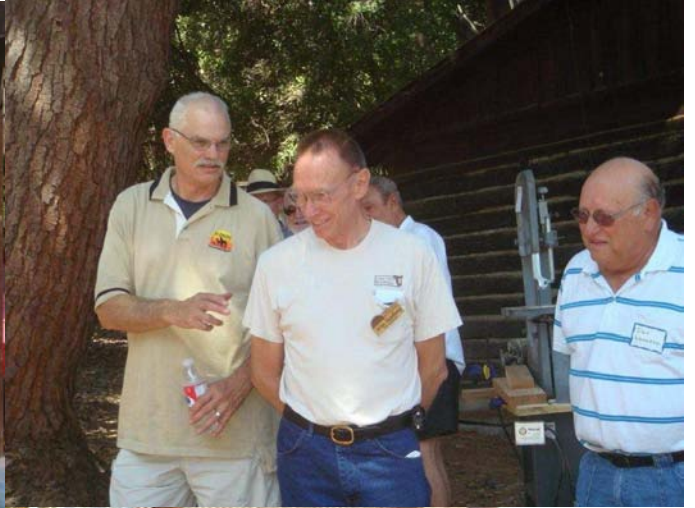
That blade does look a little weird.
Thanks to **Bill Aurand** for taking and sending in the pictures.



CVWA Summer Picnic BBQ

If you missed this one, you missed a good one! About 60 members and spouses enjoyed a super afternoon of great food, fantastic weather and good friendship. Dan Gallo and his son made wood key chain "names" for just about everyone, even taking a bunch home to finish. The show-and-tell table was filled with great woodwork. This year the picnic was catered by Wood Ranch restaurant who brought their famous tri-tip and chicken. Only four members brought their woodwork for the raffle, but members were very generous buying raffle tickets to help offset the cost of catering. Tim Albers demonstrated his chainsaw skills wearing his goggles on his cap, and guided members in making letter openers. Thanks a million to Kanan Andresen and Heidi Albers for organizing, planning, ordering and making the event go smoothly. Thanks also to Brady's parents, Cathryn and Gordon Andresen for hosting the event.







CVWA Members in the News

CVWA's member Dave Blackburn has been making a name for himself with his exotic wood art boxes, and tables. Dave took top honors this year at San Diego's prestigious Design in Wood competition, with his Haiku table. Dave is a very active member and always willing to share his skills and techniques. We're proud of him. Below is the table.



Club Roster

Any member wishing to have a roster of CVWA members, please email a request to Dave Studley, DaveStudley@sbcglobal.net

Raffle

The following will be raffle prizes for the next meeting in September.

Wood River 8 Piece Bench Chisel Set - 1/4 inch through 1-1/2 inch. Chisels with hardwood handles and wooden protective case

Stanley No. 62 Low angle jack plane - This is a traditional Stanley Works plane being re-introduced to the woodworkers market. Comes with a lifetime warranty.

Pinnacle 12 inch Precision Square - Size 8 inches by 12 inches. Comes with a wooden storage case. Features laser engraving on the scales and is accurate to .001 inch.

Beall 18 inch Buffing Mandrel - Comes with 3 grades of buffing wheels and 2 grades of buffing compounds and wax. Has a No. 2 Morse Taper for mounting in your lathe headstock.

2 each REVO fixed Parallel Clamps - this is the new style with large clamping heads and are 24 inches.

Reminder. The Camarillo Lions Club continues to collect used eyeglasses and hearing aids for recycling to third world countries. Check around your homes and bring in all the old glasses that are not needed. Lions will also

accept used hearing aides for use in other parts of the world. A recycled pair of glasses or hearing aid can make a world of difference to someone who has never been able to see or hear. It is a complete life changer. Camarillo Lions also collect old cell phones for reuse by victims of domestic violence. If you can help in any way please do so. Your donations are appreciated. For further information contact CVWA club member John Knittle at 805.482.1297.

Don't forget to get your tickets for the Mega Raffle from **Stephen Case-Pall**

CVWA's Annual Auction

October's coming up, faster, it seems, than usual. The October meeting/auction is our one big money-making effort, that brings you our programs, workshops, refreshments, pizzas and guest speakers. It's always a great, good time, and a chance to support the club by donating any items (not just woodworking stuff) to the raffle, and also to pick up some good stuff at good prices for yourself or your shop. Since we always run out of time at the auction, we're making some changes to smooth out the evening. We will shorten the description of the lots **during** the raffle, so **arrive early, make notes, and know what lot numbers you're bidding on in advance.** Checkout will be changed also: There will be **only two** times you can check out: at intermission, or at auction's end. Once you check out, you're finished bidding. There is no way you can continue to bid after you've checked out. **Chuck Pearson**, who managed our last two auctions so successfully, has volunteered to manage this one too. **Brad Ormsby**, aka "Mr. Auctioneer" will again MC the auction. If you have something to donate and can't bring it at the day of auction, contact **Chuck at 805 482 3202.** We'll make arrangements to store it until then.

Mega Raffle

We're a little more than halfway to meeting the cost for this sander. In an auction like this, you really increase your chances by buying a few more tickets.

If you have any suggestions for the next **Mega Raffle**, please let **Stephen Case-Pall** hear them, or read them by sending them to casepall@roadrunner.com

This time the club has purchased a Jet drum sander from our new Woodcraft store. We are just over halfway to the raffle time in ticket sales. This is the open sided sander that allows one to flat sand a piece about 32 inches wide. It has a moving platen belt and takes strips of sandpaper spirally wound on the drum. The cost was over \$1000, and is something we usually wouldn't buy for ourselves. You can see it at the Woodcraft store until the raffle drawing, and tickets will only be available to CVWA members. Tickets are \$1 each or 25 for \$20, and will be available at the June and subsequent meetings. See **Stephen Case-Pall** for tickets.



Features: See previous Bladerunner issues. Tickets are \$1 each, 25 for \$20.

Good Woodworking links on the net

As you surf the net for good working information, share them with the rest of us. Email any good links to our Webmaster, Aubrey Grey. cvwa9@iders.com

Dick Wakefield sent in the following two sites:

www.thisothat.com

Talks about finding the right glues for different materials.

www.shavings.net

About sharpening.

Special Interest Groups

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.

Finishing SIG Due to a rather sudden illness, Ira Goldberg cannot continue to host the Finishing SIG. If you have finishing questions, please **only** email them to Ira at ibgoldberg@hotmail.com



Tom Walsh, Al Fornier, Arlen Handberg, Jack Budney and Tom Denton enjoy a lighter moment, probably at Jack's expense, during the Jig SIG at Arlen's shop.

Six members of the Jigs & Fixtures SIG met Thursday evening August 13th at Arlen's shop. The jig of the evening enables you to cut a spline slot in picture frame corners or in the corners of shallow boxes. The members were to add the clamping devices of their choice at home. The photo is courtesy of Gene Moutes. All were treated to cupcakes and ice cream due to Arlen's birthday the following day.

September Fall Seminar
Sign Up Now - Registration Significantly Down

The SDFWA Board of Directors is pleased to present this year's Seminar speaker Phil Lowe, a well-known and respected master artisan, teacher and woodworker. Phil has taken time off from teaching at his own school, the Furniture Institute of Massachusetts, to visit San Diego and teach our seminar. For more information about Phil or about the Furniture Institute of Massachusetts, please visit his web site at <http://www.furnituremakingclasses.com>

Although our theme this year is Chair Design and Construction, Phil's demonstration and lecture applies to all areas of furniture making. Some will say that chair construction is the highest form of the art and encompasses almost all the major woodworking disciplines. While you may not be interested in chairs at the present, Phil has the unique ability to show design and construction methods that are applicable to all facets of the craft. There is always room to learn and grow with these seminars and we are lucky to have the opportunity to learn from a true master of the profession. Please do not pass up this opportunity.

At this time last year, with less than 3 weeks to go, we had about 135 people registered. This year we have only 55. **IF YOU HAVE NOT BOUGHT YOUR TICKET, PLEASE DO SO RIGHT NOW!** Time is running out.

If you have previously attended our seminars, you know what a value this is. It is our intent to provide you with the best value for your money. We do not make money on these seminars. Indeed, we are happy to break even. Many volunteers spend a lot of time and energy to put on this event. We try hard to bring you the best value for your money. There really is no better deal anywhere in the industry. You can spend more for a 1 to 3 hour seminar at any of the woodworking shows.

This year's seminar, Chair Design and Construction
Friday, September 11th , 12, 13, 2009
Friday 6 - 9 PM, Saturday 9 AM - 4 PM, Sunday 9 AM - 3 PM

San Diego School for the Performing Arts
2425 Dusk Drive
San Diego, CA 92139

YOUR REGISTRATION INCLUDES:

- o 2 ½ days of instruction from a master craftsman and artisan
- o A master woodworker, actually building the piece, live, on-stage, as he lectures
- o On screen, close-ups of each procedure with two cameras on stage
- o A chance to meet and talk with a master woodworker during the breaks
- o Catered hot lunch every day
- o Breakfast rolls, donuts, coffee and juice in the morning
- o Snacks, coffee, juice and soft drinks all day and at every break
- o Rockler supplied door prizes at each break
- o A chance to visit and talk woodworking with fellow woodworkers
- o Phil's DVD, Measuring furniture for Reproduction

Fill out and print clearly this form, include your check made payable to SDFWA and mail to:

San Diego Fine Woodworkers Association Seminar
P. O. Box 82323
San Diego, CA 92138-2323

\$90.00 SDFWA Member
\$120 Non-members (includes 2009 SDFWA Membership)

Please sign me up for the 2009 San Diego Fine Woodworking Association seminar with Phil Lowe

Enclosed is my payment in the amount of: check one: ____ Member \$90
____ Non-member \$120 (Non-member price includes 2009 membership)

NAME: LAST, FIRST _____

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For New Members:

Membership includes your spouse. If you wish a membership card for your spouse, please enter your spouse's name here _____

Your information will only be shared within this Association on a need-to-know basis.

Please select one:

_____ I'll read the newsletter on the SDFWA website

_____ I wish to receive newsletters by mail

Vendor List

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

Conejo Hardwoods 31275 La Baya, Thousand Oaks 497 0025

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

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

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 Orange County 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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October Shop Tour

Lee Truman is organizing the shop tour for October . It will cover the Oxnard/Ventura area. Contact Lee if you'd like to have your shop on the tour. It will terminate at Heartwood Milling for lunch.

Contact Lee Truman at leetruman@aol.com

Classified

A few old tools for sale: Randy Smith 805 498 8085



NEWS FLASH

**Arlen L. Handberg
Victimized**

In a seemingly random act, Simi Valley resident **Arlen L Handberg** was victimized overnight when he awoke in the morning and found that he had turned seventy years old. When interviewed, **Arlen L. Handberg** reportedly had no explanation. His wife, Diane was too grief stricken to comment. His brother and sister said "We just saw him a couple weeks ago and he seemed to be in good spirits." Friends and relatives remarked "We knew he was getting on in years, but we had no idea it had come to this!" **Arlen L. Handberg, 70 years old today, August 14th...What Next?** Incidentally there has been a huge run on prunes and Viagra at the local Simi Valley grocery stores.



You did **WHAT?????**