

# CONEJO VALLEY WOODWORKER'S ASSOCIATION

## *The Bladerunner*

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### Upcoming Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
March 3rd	"Regular Meeting: Challenge: A Push Stick, Table Saw Safety by David Seidler"	
March 8 <sup>th</sup>	Just Coffee get-together, Oaks Mall, Food Court Patio, 10am - 11:30am	
March 16 <sup>th</sup>	CVWA Breakfast, Pickles Newbury Park, 1940 Newbury Road #100	
March 17 <sup>th</sup>	BOD Meeting TBA	
March 19 <sup>th</sup>	Member Workshop Tour, By two members who win shop tour drawing - location TBD	
March 25 <sup>th</sup>	Breakfast, Denny's Camarillo at 9am	
April 7th	Regular meeting; Router Safety and Demo by Woodcrafts Bill Boettcher & Mark Chandler	
April 12th	Just Coffee get-together at Oaks Mall food court patio 10am-11:30 am.	
April 20th	CVWA Breakfast. Pickles, Newbury Park, 1940 Newbury Rd. 9 am.	
April 21st	BOD Meeting. All members welcome to attend TBA	
April 22nd	Breakfast at Denny's Camarillo 9am	
April 23rd	Members Workshop tour. See the shops of the winners of clamps. Info at April meeting	
May 7th	Regular Meeting. Marquetry tutorial by Dave Seidler. Challenge: A birdhouse.	

### Elected CVWA Officers

President: **Christian Ziegler**  
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Past President: **Charlie North**

## February Meeting

Our meeting presentation consisted of members who wished to mentor other members introducing themselves and describing what they could offer other members. After this article, there will be inserts of the mentors self descriptions, to orient members to these mentors.

### MENTORS

**Tom Welz**

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My name is Tom Welz and I'm one of the Mentors for the Conejo Valley Woodworkers Association where I've been a member for four years. I love woodworking!

If you want to take advantage of my knowledge and have some fun making sawdust, give me a call or email.

What I do with wood: I like to make furniture, boxes, picture frames, toys, simple jigs, and general woodworking.

***Experience level: Intermediate***

#### **Competencies**

Table saw: ripping, cross cut, dado

Router: Hand held and router table

Band Saw: 8" and 14"

Scroll Saw (Not extensive experience)

Drill Press

Planer

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**Charles North**



My view of mentoring is flexible. It can be at your shop or my shop although its probable that I will have more of the tools necessary for the project at hand.

Philosophy: good woodworking is largely determined by how well you fix your mistakes.

Credentials: since mid-childhood I have been involved in woodworking. My focus intensified upon becoming a homeowner in my early 30s. Thus began an extensive series of remodeling projects on multiple homes for the next 40+ years. Since retirement I have been able to focus on my interests in cabinetry, furniture and wood turning.

Projects:

kitchen and bath cabinets, resurfacing cabinets with prefinished veneers and construction of a new cabinet doors, bookshelves, multiple furniture cabinets and cases, tables, chairs. Small projects included cutting boards, trays, jewelry boxes, candlesticks and racks, barley twist carving. In years past I built a kit grandfather clock. This year I completed an antique replica tall case clock.

Wood turning includes pens, ring goblets, small bowls, candlesticks, napkin rings.

Other sources: there are innumerable number of YouTube videos available online. This is a huge resource that I frequently refer to for my personal projects. The Bartley collection of antique furniture reproductions was invaluable to me . I built a few kits to understand how furniture is constructed.

In addition to our project at hand, I would hope to provide you with insight into the multiple issues involving shop safety and a very sincere appreciation of the dangers associated with the power equipment that we use.



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**Stephen Case-Pall**

I'm Stephen Case-Pall, and I'm one of the club's mentors. I've been a member of CVWA for 22 years. For many years I was a general hobbyist making boxes, furniture, frames etc. Then I got a lathe...In the last decade, turning wood has become my passion, and I'm delighted to share that with you. If you need a turned part for your project, I can guide you through it. If you would like to learn bowl turning, we can do that too. We'll work at my shop, and you won't need any tools, just good wood. I have found that "practice wood" doesn't improve skills, and is harder to turn than wood you would keep I have an extra lathe and tools that you are welcome to use.

I can assist you with bowl turning, spindle turning, box turning, Boule, plates and platters, turning other materials, finials, or with turned parts to complete your project.

Give me a call or email and we'll set up time to get together.

Stephen Case-Pall, 805 603 9394 or [casepall@roadrunner.com](mailto:casepall@roadrunner.com)



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Judith Ziegler



Considering our female membership is almost non-existent I think the first step will be finding women who won't be intimidated by the talent here as I was when I first started coming.

I have mentored in the past and it is more the use of wood to doing home repairs and decoration for their houses. I found most start up women want help with their home repairs, customizing cabinets and walls with shelving, minor fixes to furniture adding a chair rail, building simple wood projects for their yards and interiors, and making simple toys for their children's mainly repurposing pieces of furniture either trash finds or piece they have.

What I would be able to mentor is :

- \*The importance of measuring for the right decision on how much linear feet to buy
- \*Where and how to measure and cut for installing Moldings,
- \*Making templates before you start to cut any framing,.
- \*The different profiles for moldings, picture frames, shelving etc
- \* How to use the templates for your cutting so the angles are always cut correctly.
- \* Help the women with their ideas, , repairs and refinishing pieces in their home and custom decorating designs.

All of you have wives and already know that women always have great ideas. So I'd like to help them implement them.

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**Dave Seidler**    [daveseidler34@gmail.com](mailto:daveseidler34@gmail.com) (805) 402-5188



My woodworking experience includes: 37 years teaching woodworking and CADD drafting primarily at Adolfo Camarillo High School. I've worked as a cabinet maker, a finish carpenter. I'm now retired, and would like to pass on some of the skills I've learned.

1. Cabinetmaking - face frame and frameless; casework; doors; and drawers; and installation.
2. Starting a new project – project planning; creating your own plans; modifying existing plans; figuring the amount and type of material needed.
3. Safety – I consider myself to be a safety expert. Including all tools, hand and power; earthquakes, or other natural disasters.
4. Tool setup, repair, and renovation – I have installed and maintained all the tools in a large woodworking shop for many years. I have restored numerous hand and power tools, of which I use regularly.
5. Home construction and repair – I have built numerous houses from the ground up, worked as a finish carpenter; and am a licensed flooring contractor. I also do electrical and plumbing; framing, and drywall.

Contact me any time by e-mail, or phone, with a project idea, or something you are interested in getting more information about, and I will make sure your request is forwarded to the appropriate mentor.

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### Workshop Tours

We'll have one more workshop tour drawing at the March meeting. That will provide the club with three separate shop tours during the coming year. See Stephen for a free ticket.

### January Show and Tell

Thanks to **Aubrey Grey** for the pictures.





**Raffle Prizes**

Raffle prizes for March will be: A \$50 gift certificate for Conejo Hardwoods, a DeWalt orbital sander, two 24 inch clamps, and a DeWalt magnetic screw lock system (30 piece) including a DeWalt auto load folding knife.

**Road Trips**

In the coming months you will see Whoozin invitations and sign-up sheets at monthly meetings for a Monthly Road Trip to a woodworking event or tour. These trips will be by car-pooling in a members' automobile or van. Passengers would contribute a small fee to the driver. Usually these would be on a Saturday. For example, one of the first road trips could be to The Gamble House in Pasadena for their 1-hour docent-led tour. Here is a link to their website <http://gamblehouse.org/tours/> I have cataloged different events in the region but I have only scratched the surface. If you would like to volunteer to be a driver and/or know of a worthwhile event then please let me know.

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**January 9<sup>th</sup>—Saturday Open House Demonstration of Router pantograph by Arlen Handberg**

Eight members and a guest participated in the demo of **Arlen Handberg's** router pantograph, and together they turned out almost 100 toy racer cars for December. That's getting ahead of the game. Those attending were: **Arlen Handberg, Christian Ziegler, Bill Battocchio, Andy Anderson, Dick Harmon, Charlie North, Don Halvorsen, Jay Halvorsen** (guest), and **Loren Stone**.

**January 30th Box Joint Jig Workshop by Arlen Handberg**

As usual, **Arlen** knocked himself out for this workshop, pre cutting parts for the jig assembly and providing those parts as "kits" for the attendees. Those there were **Charlie North, Tom Welz, Dan Waingrow, and Stephen Case-Pall**. Two members signed up, but did not show. That prevented two other members on the "wait list" from being called to fill in their spots (about 12 club members signed up for the six spots). So...PLEASE call if you sign up for these workshops and can't attend, so others can. Thanks to **Charlie North** for the following pictures.





### Join your fellow Woodworkers at the Thursday, March 3rd Meeting

Member/Mentor Dave Seidler will give us a presentation on Table Saw safety and handling procedures. Table saws collect more fingers and hands from woodworkers than any other shop tool. In 35 years of teaching shop, Dave's students never lost a finger, so what he suggests works. We can all use some of his techniques in handling this necessary piece of equipment.

## The Challenges

Don't forget that the challenge for March is a **push stick**. Show off your imagination with something unique or different. The challenge for May is a **Bird House**. For July it is **Anything from a 2 by 4 12 inches long**. For September, make **Something that flies**.

Don't forget that presenting something for the challenge gets you FIVE free tickets for the raffle!!

## Southern California Tool Swap Meets

### Anderson Plywood

Four swap meets per year Third Saturday of February, May, August, and November  
6 AM-NOON 4020 Sepulveda Blvd. Culver City, CA 90230 John Anderson / 310-397-8229

### San Diego Rockler Swap Meet

Two swap meets per year. First Sunday of April (except Easter) and November. 6 AM-NOON /  
8199 Clairemont Mesa Blvd  
San Diego, CA 92111  
Bill Collins / 619-232-4626

### Arroyo Swap Meet

Two swap meets per year. Second Saturday of June and September. 6 AM-NOON / Limited Dealer  
Spaces  
2707 E. Foothill Blvd.  
Pasadena, CA 91107  
Bob Wilbur / 626-447-5466

### PAST San Diego Swap Meet

One swap meet per year. Friday before the Third Weekend of January. 6 AM-NOON /  
Four Points Sheraton Hotel  
8110 Aero Dr.  
San Diego, CA 92123  
Bob Wilbur / 626-447-5466

**To be on an email reminder list** for upcoming  
SoCal Old Tool Swap Meets,  
send your name and email address to:  
[laura@toolswapusa.com](mailto:laura@toolswapusa.com)

## Club Roster

Any member wishing to have a roster of CVWA members, please email a request to **Dave Seidler**,  
[Davedebby@roadrunner.com](mailto:Davedebby@roadrunner.com)

## Woodworking Ideas

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](mailto:cvwa9@iders.com) or Editor Stephen Case-Pall [casepall@roadrunner.com](mailto:casepall@roadrunner.com)

## Vendor List

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

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**Do It Center**. 3775 Thousand Oaks Blvd. Thousand Oaks 497 2753 [www.doitcenter.com](http://www.doitcenter.com)

**Far West Plywood**. 18450 Parthenia St. Northridge. 818 885-1511 [www.farwestplywood.com](http://www.farwestplywood.com)

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

[www.integritywoodproducts.com](http://www.integritywoodproducts.com)

**Mayan Lumber** 2930 Los Olivos, Oxnard 805 981-4555 [www.mayanhardwood.com](http://www.mayanhardwood.com)

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

[www.roadsidelumber.com](http://www.roadsidelumber.com)

**Rockler Torrance**. 20725 Hawthorne Bl. Torrance. 310-542-1466 [www.rockler.com](http://www.rockler.com)

**Siggia Hardware**. 16260 Raymer St. Van Nuys 818-787-1650 [www.siggia.com](http://www.siggia.com)

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

[www.sunbrothersenterprises.com](http://www.sunbrothersenterprises.com)

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

[www.conejoelectricmotor.com](http://www.conejoelectricmotor.com)

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

[www.americanfasteningsystems.com](http://www.americanfasteningsystems.com)

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

[www.woodcraft.com/stores/store.aspx?id=553](http://www.woodcraft.com/stores/store.aspx?id=553)

**Rockler Pasadena** 83 south Rosemead Blvd Pasadena 91107 [www.rockler.com](http://www.rockler.com)

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

[www.superiormoulding.com](http://www.superiormoulding.com)

**Peterman Lumber** 720 Graves Ave. Oxnard. 805 987 3877 [www.petermanlumber.com](http://www.petermanlumber.com)

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## Commercial Stuff

I am wondering if you could direct me to a local (Ventura or LA county) wood turner that does wooden baluster replacements? I have looked, in vain, at all the local hardware stores and searched online suppliers. A handyman mention having a mill do a custom replacement, but the company he gave me is no longer in business. I am hoping you can direct me to someone who might be able to help me.

Thanks in advance effort your time.

Jessica Morton  
818.207.5255

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# Intro to Hand Tools with Steve Branam

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Course Dates:  
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September 15

Length: 8 weeks

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Instructor: Steve  
Branam

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### Course Outline:

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- Sharpening
- Stock Preparation
- Simple Joinery
- Mortise and Tenon
- Dovetails

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### Learn more about Steve Branam:

#### Steve Branam



Steve Branam is a software engineer and woodworking hobbyist in Ayer, MA. He has been working with hand tools for 5 years. He enjoys working with traditional methods and teaching the skills he has acquired. He likes to show people that even if they don't have access to a well-equipped power-tool workshop, they can still do woodworking of all kinds.

Steve writes the woodworking blog [www.CloseGrain.com](http://www.CloseGrain.com), which is read all over the world. On it he shares projects and techniques, and documents woodworking events in his area.

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