

The Hardwood Herald

The newsletter of the Florida West Coast Woodworkers Club, Inc.
An organization of men and women who are devoted to increasing their skills in woodworking.



There were 27 attending the Main Meeting at WoodCraft October 8th
Remember the meeting will start at **6 pm instead of 7 pm** because of Woodcrafts new hours.

President's Message

It's time to clean out your shop and make room for new tools by setting aside your old and unused ones for the tool auction at the November meeting. Remember, proceeds from the auction go to the seller. And while you're at it, pick out some jigs and fixtures to bring to the meeting. In addition to our regular Show & Tell, the meeting will feature members showing off their homemade jigs and fixtures. If you have an especially useful store-bought jig, bring that, too. Share your knowledge and skills so others can learn!

Time to party! Save the date for our 2009 Holiday Party, which will be at a new time and place: Friday, December 11, at Colonial Oaks Park. See the announcement in this newsletter or on our website for details and directions. And remember, it's not too early to begin working on your two homemade items for the party, one to be given as a gift to our guests and the other for the auction with proceeds this time going to the club. So bring your spouse or guest, a food dish, your best handiwork and your wallet so we can celebrate the holiday season together and raise funds for the club.

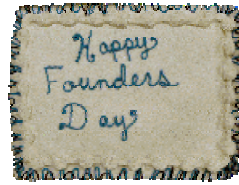
President's Message continued

Our one item of business at the party will be to elect club officers for next year. If you would like to volunteer or nominate someone, please contact Brian Timmons, who will serve as President in 2010.

I want to thank Ed Goldberg, Floyd Yoder, and John Phillips for their presentations at our Founders Day Celebration at the October meeting. I also want to thank Brian for bringing the cake and refreshments. The following week Ed, Floyd, John and I visited Ted Grondin and presented him with a plaque acknowledging his service as a founding member and past president. Thanks, Ted!

Bob Eslinger
President

October 8th Main Presentation



Bob Eslinger set the tone with a trivia from 1991 when the club was started. Wow, was 1991 that long ago? It is reassuring that woodworking is still pretty much the same and the pursuit of knowledge and skills have not changed.





Next Ed Goldberg was asked to highlight and present the clubs history.

This was followed by founding father Floyd Yoder speaking about highlights and memories he has had over the years being involved with the club.



John Philips shared his memories and a brief overview of his past achievements.

October 8th Main Meeting Show & Tell



John Slezak – Box made of lamination strips.



Brian Timmons – Pictures of his oak and mahogany desk. Finally completed his once a year project for his wife.



Joe Mathis – Intarsia scroll saw work. Check it out on the clubs website where you can click on it to enlarge it and see the detail.



Denny Wetter – Turned Challis, and 4 small challis from Japanese yew donated to club by Gayle Nagy.



John Petti – Ball channel game he created, with printed wood game face. Just like a locust he said he will build one every 17 years.



Herb Osmussen- Toy boat he is building for children.

Prize winners



Raffle:
Chisel Set. Steve "Way to
Lucky" Kandel



Door prize winners were Daryl Walters
– won 1st door prize, Henry
Betjemann, John Petti, Bob Eslinger.

Shop Meet



There were 13 attending at Richard Borovicka's Shop
meet .. You could eat off the floor when we arrived,
but by the time we left it was covered with drool.
Thanks Richard, your shop is really a showplace.

Editor Soap box



I'll start out our jigs and fixtures discussion by showing a jig that is just too big to bring to the meeting. I made this panel saw about 6 months to speed up all the plywood cutting I have to do. I mounted it on casters so I can move it to the back of the shop when I'm not using it. The difference between this one and the one you see in Home Depot is, with mine the saw moves both horizontally and vertically. This means that I don't need 17' or 18' to feed the

plywood across the saw, I only need 10'. This works out well with my shop layout. I got the plans off the internet, and it cost about \$140 in parts and 4 or 5 days to build. One of the things I love about it is it cuts dead on square.



Another jig I use all the time is this parts rack. I originally made it as a drying rack for cabinet doors I was finishing but soon discovered it was useful for sorting and separating parts as I cut them out. The uprights are 2x4s and are joined to the base with a mortis and tenon joint. It is extremely strong. The supports are 1/2" conduit. I've cut as many as 12 sheets of 3/4" plywood into parts and piled all of them on this rack and rolled it around.

If you have anything you would like to share with the club let me know at the meeting or just email it to me. I'd love to put it in the newsletter.

2009 HOLIDAY PARTY

Friday, December 11th
Social 6:30 Party 7:00-9:00
Colonial Oaks Park
5300 Colonial Oaks Blvd
Sarasota, FL 34232



From I-75 take exit 207 (Bee Ridge Rd)
Go west 0.3 miles
Turn right (north) onto Cattlemen Rd, go 0.9 miles
Turn Left (west) at Colonial Oaks Blvd (traffic light) go 0.8 miles
The Park and Bldg is on the Left just before Honore Ave

Members should bring two homemade items, one to be given to the ladies as a gift and one to be auctioned during the party

The club will provide the meats, drinks and rolls



Members should bring a dish as follows,
based on the first letter of your last name:
Salad: A-G Desert: H-O Vegetable: P-Z

The Library is open !



The club's new librarian Terry Bair informed the club about the conversion of the old VHS library to the new DVD library. He has painstakingly converted, viewed, re-cataloged, and agreed to maintain the library from this point forward. A new index of all the videos can be found on the club web site. Terry will bring the library to the regular club meetings. With over 100 videos and well over 300 hours he has dedicated a considerable amount of time and hard work to make this knowledge base available to the membership. The cabinet to hold the new library was made by our own Floyd Yoder.

Club Activities

Wood Club Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at WoodCraft's Store, 4456 Bee Ridge Road, Sarasota, FL. Social time 5:30, meeting starts at 6pm. Guests are welcome.

Turners Meetings are held on the first Monday following the regular club meeting also at the WoodCraft's store.

Shop Meets are held on the second Monday following the regular club meet. They are informal gatherings to inspect (snoop) at a member's shop. Each month is a different location. The size of the host's shop - big or small - doesn't matter. Snacks or cookies and sodas are provided. Maps to these locations are available at the club website:

www.floridawoodworkers.com

Schedule of Events

November 2009

November 12th Thursday – Main Meeting at Wood Crafts

November 16th --Turners meet will resume on from 6PM to 8PM. Denny Wetter I will demonstrate turning a long stem gobl

November 23rd Monday – Shop Mee
John Slezak 1310 67th.St West,
and
Jack Blair's 6420 13th Ave Dr. West, Bradenton, FL.



The Florida West Coast Woodworkers Club, Inc.

Membership Application

Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Name: _____ Spouse's Name: _____ Your Birth Month: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

Telephone Number: (____) _____ E-mail Address: _____

Occupation: (Present) _____ (Former) _____

Woodworking Experience: Beginner _____ Intermediate _____ Advanced _____

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Dues are \$25 per year for single membership or \$30 per year for family membership.

This club is an organization of men and women who are devoted to increasing their skills in woodworking. If you have a desire to meet and talk to other woodworkers with experience at all levels, you are invited to attend these meetings. You will experience the common bond of friendship, the sharing of ideas and gain knowledge. These are precious tools that never wear out. We encourage you to experience the pleasure and satisfaction of adding these tools to your present skills. Meetings generally include a program that is of interest to all, including a guest speaker as well as a show and tell segment of our member's projects. Announcements of special interest to our hobby are welcomed and encouraged.

The monthly meeting is held at WoodCraft's Store, 4456 Bee Ridge Road, Sarasota, FL.
(From the Bee Ridge exit on I-75, go west on Bee Ridge and turn left into the shopping Plaza just before McIntosh Rd.)



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