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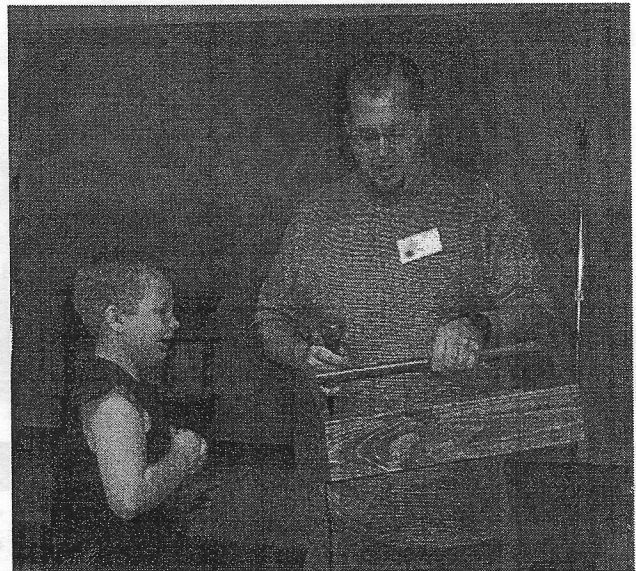
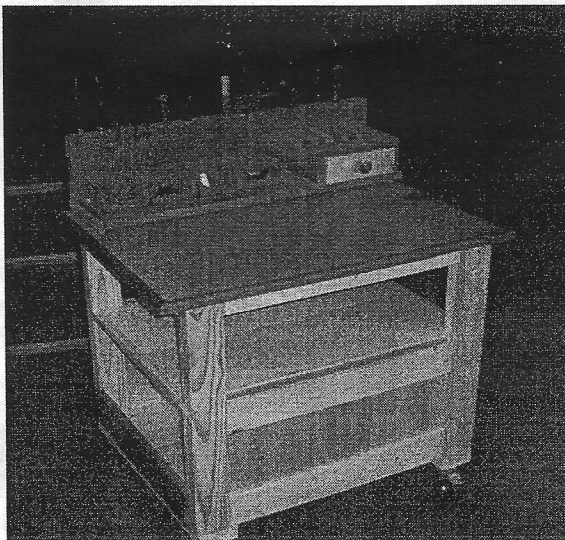
MEMBER DIRECTORIES INFO!!!!

Ken Kooser and Gary Rowen spent numerous hours putting together the membership book, comparing lists, incorporating updates resulting from circulated membership lists at meetings, and telephoning members to correct discrepancies. Despite all of that, gremlin errors crept in between their efforts and the final printed version. At the July meeting, please check your information that is in the book and note any corrections in the master membership list that will be circulating. You can also email or telephone the Secretary with your corrections. An errata sheet will be made available at the August meeting.

One of the problems encountered was the lack of a master list. The board decided that the Secretary will be responsible for maintaining the official membership list. Newsletter and name tag lists will be generated from the Secretary's master list. To facilitate developing an accurate and current list, at every meeting the Secretary will make available a membership roster for everyone to review and to which corrections and updates can be made by members themselves.

Also, please make an effort to come to the July meeting to pick up your membership book or have a friend pick one up for you. This will save the club money on postage.

Left: Joseph Rice, known for great projects of his own, shows off his son Austin's tool tray. It was a cub scout project and the tray was finished with cherry minwax stain using one of Austin's socks. Great job Austin!



Left: This roll around storage cart was built by Ken Kooser. It is made of 2x4 and cabinet grade plywood. There is also some baltic birch and cherry present in its construction, with a polyurethane finish.



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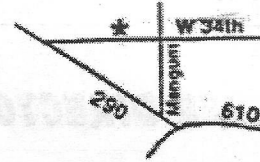
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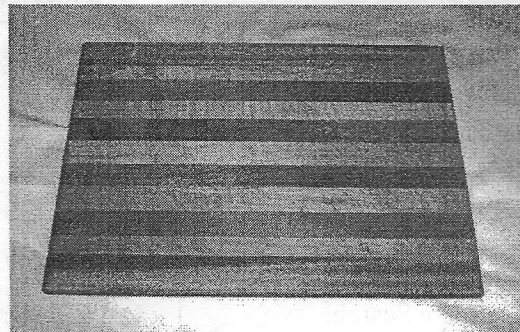
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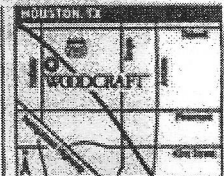
Left: This cutting board, constructed from maple and mahogany, was made by President Ken Kooser.



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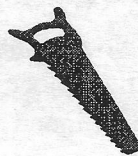
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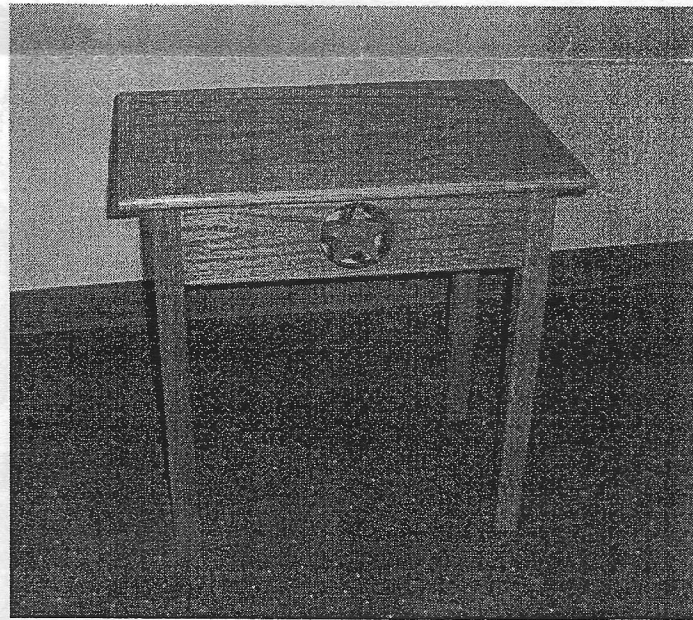
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Above: This red oak table was constructed by Marcus Brun. Marcus cut out the star with a sabre saw and used mortise & tenon joints for the legs. The table was finished with a polyurethane/mineral spirits combination.

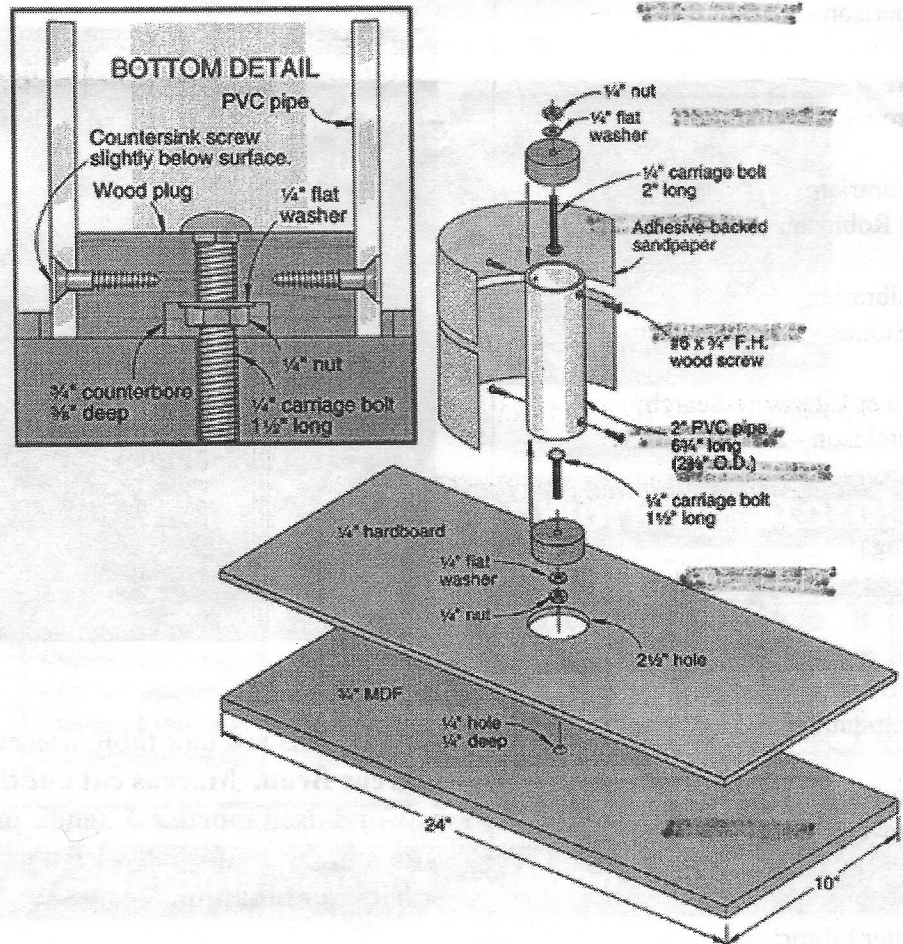
PROJECT OF THE MONTH --

EXTRA LONG DRUM SANDER

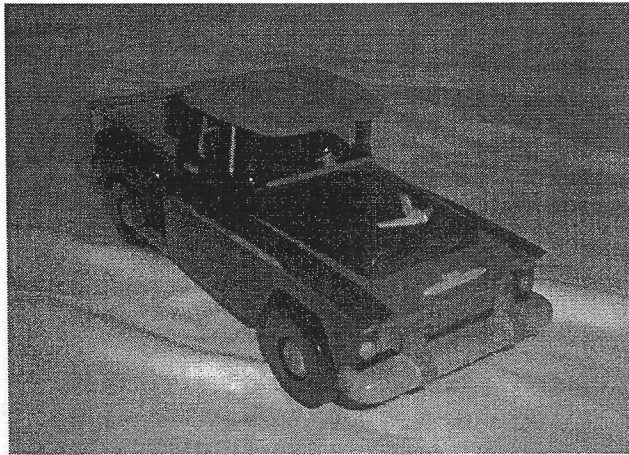
When he started building the Arched-Top Clock, Issue #138, WOOD® magazine Design Editor, Kevin Boyle was faced with a plan that looked as if it would require hours of tedious hand sanding. Dreading this, Kevin created a drill-press attachment using parts he scrounged in the shop. The spindle itself is a length of 2" PVC plumbing pipe, a size that worked well for the clock's curves, but you can easily adapt this idea to other diameters of pipe.

Use a circle cutter to make slightly oversized wood plugs for the top and bottom of the spindle. Add the carriage bolts and nuts, chuck them into your drill press, and power-sand the plugs to fit perfectly into the pipe. Be sure that you fully countersink the PVC for the wood screws that secure the plugs so the heads don't protrude and scratch your work. Trim the sandpaper so the ends just meet or have a slight gap—overlapping the paper would make a bump.

Construct the base assembly by cutting a piece of 1/4" hardboard and 3/4" MDF to identical size. Drill a 2-1/2" hole through the hardboard, and a 1/4" hole through the MDF. When you set up the sander, carefully check that the spindle is square to the table. Run the sander at 500 rpm or slower. Because of the low cost of building these spindles, you may want to make one for each grit you frequently use.

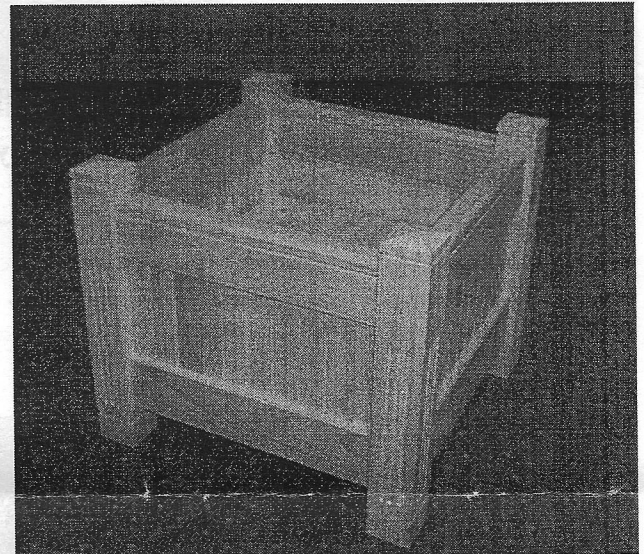


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Left: One of two replicas of an old Apache Chevrolet pickup truck crafted by long-time member Denis Muras. One truck was made of birch and walnut, the other of birch and mahogany.

Right: This cypress planter was constructed by Walter Mason for his wife. Walter said that the entire planter is held together by Titebond II. The planter is intended to hold his wife's herbs. Excellent job, Walter!



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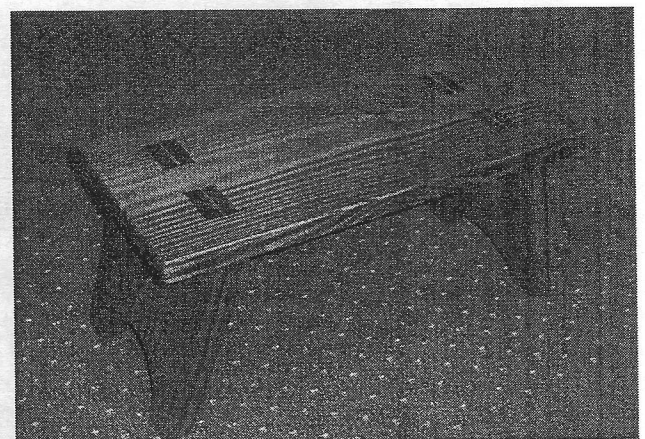
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Above: This pine step stool was built by Fred Sandoval. It is finished with 3 quarts of polyurethane over a minwax walnut stain. Notice the angled wedges that Fred used rather than straight wedges.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the August issue will be Monday, July 28. If you have anything that you would like to submit to the newsletter, please do so by that day. If you have any questions, please call Justin Kelly.

Note: Submissions for the newsletter must be in digital format (no hard copies, please).

Below: This stunning cabinet was built by Gene Volentine. Made of sycamore & bird's eye butternut, the bottom area of this cabinet was originally intended to hold a chamberpot. Gene used a lacquer finish for another one of his gorgeous pieces of furniture.



REMEMBER TO CHECK OUT THE CLUB'S VIDEO BOOK LIBRARIES. THEY ARE FREE TO ALL WWCH MEMBERS!!!!!!!!!!!!

Below are a list of presentors who will be giving programs and demonstrations during the coming months. Be sure to take note of the speakers and attend the meetings!

1. A representative from WoodTrax in California will be giving a program on their software and innovations in pattern design.

2. Titan Tool, Inc. - Our chance to learn about finishing equipment (Air Assisted, Airless, and HVLP equipment).

3. Dewalt Tools - demonstration of their tools (possibility of door prizes - stay tuned)

4. Saul Harris - long time member gives a program on table saw safety.

5. Hitachi - demonstration of thier tools (will be offering discount to WWCH members)

6. Delta Tools - demonstration of their tools (will also be answering questions).

8. John Gay - program on how to chip carve

9. Circle Saw - program on table saw tune up and alignment

10. Bosch Tools - a mini tool fair including several give-away door prizes.

Right: This eighteen-wheeler tractor was beautifully constructed by David Vandewerker. The tractor was built from white oak and cherry.

I'm sure that there's a trailer coming to another meeting in the future - right David???



PREZ SEZ:

BY KEN KOOSER

Change, change, change – The more things change, the more they stay the same. I didn't invent that rule, but that's the way it is. Also – “if you always do what you've always done, you'll always get what you've always got”. What the heck do these two “truth's” have to do with woodworking? Not much but I want to tell it like it is. The club got caught up in a program cancellation last month. Paul Koury has done an excellent job of arranging speakers, even has back-up speakers for most occasions. It just happened. I would prefer that the newsletter not announce the monthly program. I would prefer that all paid members attend all 12 meetings. If you skip 11 meetings because you think you will not like the program, and only attend one meeting, that meeting costs you \$24.00. Think of the pressure that puts on the speaker. We have many individuals working to make each meeting the best it can be. Can you give a program? How about one on sharpening tools? How about one on buying hardwoods? Plan a program, submit a outline to Paul and be waiting in the wings. We will have the club shirts at the July 12th meeting. If you specified a size in May, you need to call me if you don't have your shirt. Several were sold in June on a first come basis. Some corrections are being made to the hats so I'm not promising them but they will get here soon. Directories are here; an addendum will be offered to correct errors. Work safe, and attend our meetings.

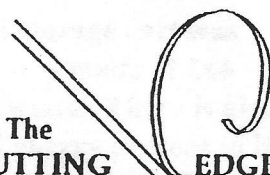
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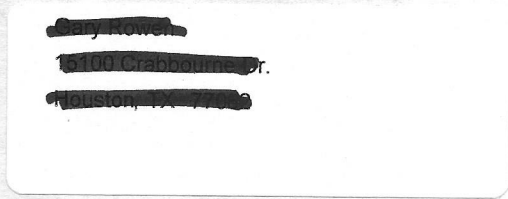
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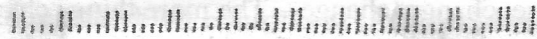
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