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PAST MEETING

Circle Saw got to see a bunch of the club members, as the turn out was real good. We had four or five guests, who I hoped enjoyed themselves. We were glad to have them.

We certainly appreciated the demonstration by Travis Powell and the Kuhn's, Jr. and SR. It gave us an opportunity to try a jig saw and see three different brands in one operation, the RBI, HEGNER & ROCKWELL. Circle Saw is the dealer for these brands, so give them a call if you have a need.

SHOW & TELL

Chuck Maxwell brought a cherry table he made and you can tell he is finally getting into the spirit of finishing his projects. You better not ask him what he thinks of Watco oils, unless you got 30 minutes.

Rich Kurey brought a music box with a rose inlay. Really pretty and the finish was like glass.

Claude Denson showed us a name plate he cut on his band saw. He does better than me, I can't get that tight a turn even with my 1/8" blade.

Don't be bashful-- bring your projects.

OLD BUSINESS

The Shopsmith school in San Antonio is now history and those that attended had a very informative and enjoyable day. Our thanks goes to our instructor Dick Link, plus Bob Ashcroft and Herb. I hope they will have us back again sometime.

We learned tricks in aligning your machine, including the various accessory pieces. Dick also showed us some tricks in cutting, mitering and lathe turning, including an inside turning tool. (Don't look at me on this one.) Later Dick completely field stripped a head stock and showed maintenance tips and where to check to keep things working right. Seventeen people attended this one- I bet we have more the next time.

Sharon has orders for nine shirts and caps. If you want a Woodworkers Club shirt or cap, you better order now, because they will only accept orders of 10 minimum, shirts are \$15.25 and caps are \$5.25. Give Sharon your size, color and the name for the pocket.

If you can't attend the meeting, make up a sheet with the info and mail it to Sharon.

Regarding the library, its still growing, so if you have a book you wish to loan to the library - put your name inside and give it to Chuck Maxwell or Bill Beggs. By the way if you want to borrow any of the magazines, such as Fine Woodworking or Woodsmith, Please just take the one or two you are interested in and not all of them. THANKS.

Chuck Maxwell is working with Jim Brod and Bill Kimbrough to check on the value of

logging and sawing pecan, persimmon and cedar trees at a ranch up off 145. If it looks good they will be looking for volunteers to assist in the cutting, stacking, sawing, hauling and etc. For your effort you will get a share of the wood.

NEW BUSINESS

Our new "HANDS ON" clinics appear to be a success. I had five at my band saw box clinic. Everyone made at least one box and designed another. They all said they enjoyed the clinic and they learned something.

Chuck Maxwell's jig clinic was this past Saturday, May 5th. He had nine signed up.

Rich Kurey said he would give a clinic on finishing on Saturday, May 26th at 10AM. Check with Rich as to location and materials you need to bring.

Mike Chandler will do a clinic on steam bending the first Saturday in September, which is the 8th, so check with him for details.

By the way Michael is having an exhibit of his pieces at the Jewish Community Center August 25th. It would be nice if the club came and gave him some moral support.

Henry Reed is going to give a clinic on small joinery used in clock making. As soon as Henry decides how he wants to present the clinic, he will give us the details.

Remember the clinics require a donation of \$2.00 each to cover breakage to any of the hosts equipment. If there is none it goes into a club kitty to do with as the club decides.

We need more volunteers for clinics, so don't be bashful. You don't have to be a master craftsman like Michael & Ken, just know some technique that someone else may want to learn.

Our June meeting got changed because of vacation or something. Anyway Henry Akagi will give us a demonstration on his one man sawmill. This will be on June 9th at Henry's place in Shelby, Texas. I'll get the details for the next newsletter.

FOR SALE/TO BUY

Full standing drill press for sale. Mr Smith plans to sell only one so you have a choice.

CENTRAL MACHINERY-- 16 speeds-- 1980 model-----\$150.00
CRAFTSMAN VARIABLE SPEED-----\$200.00

Contact Louis Smith- 7610 Ave L, Sante Fe, Tex. or call 337 3202(HOUSTON).

I have two 9" Craftsman combination table saw blades. Brand new-- \$3.50 each, call me Bill Beggs 820 8039 for details.

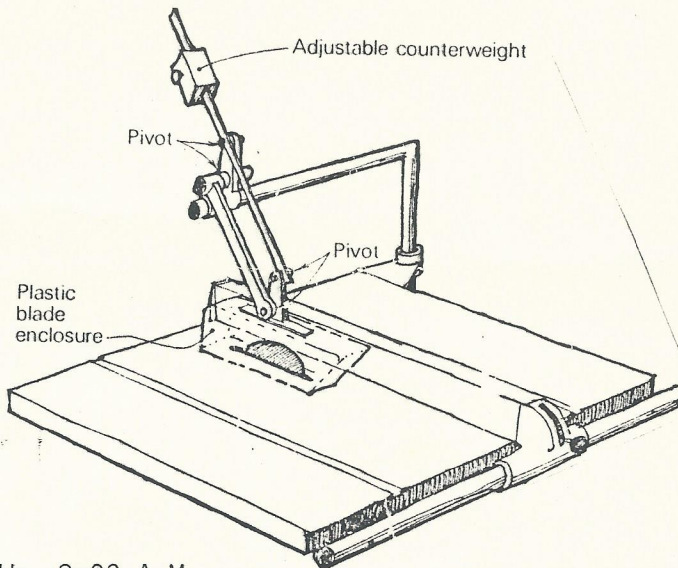
Anything else for sale? How about a tool you are looking for ?

R & D

SPACE-AGE SAW GUARD Reprinted from FINE WOODWORKING

This table-saw guard, developed for cutting space-shuttle insulation, holds several

advantages over conventional guards. Because it is counterbalanced, the guard makes lighter contact and is easier to operate, especially with thick materials. By sliding the counterweight up or down the arm, the operator can adjust the downward force of the clear plastic enclosure. The guard doesn't preclude dadoing and grooving operations, which are impossible with some other types of guards. The design was developed by Benjamin R. Dunn and Paul P. Zebus of Rockwell International.



NEXT MEETING-----SATURDAY-- MAY 12th 9:00 A.M.

Cliff Spencer of Booth Lumber Company has agreed to discuss the various hardwoods available to us. Where they came from and their characteristics. He will have samples to show.

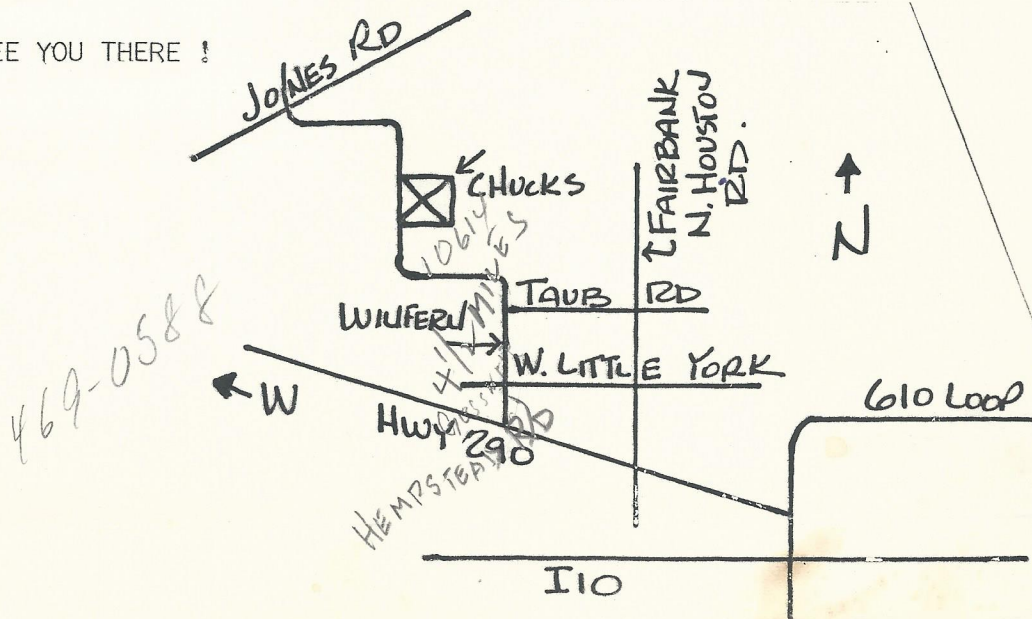
Booth Lumber handles milled pieces, so Cliff will have samples of whats available and some ways to use them in combination or by themselves.

He will also show how to use the Measuring stick for calculating the number of board feet in a piece of lumber.

It should be very informative, so don't miss it. The meeting will be in Chuck Maxwell's shop, so bring a chair.

Chuck lives in northwest Houston at 10614 Winfern Rd.. The map ought to assist in getting you lost.

SEE YOU THERE !



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