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OCTOBER MEETING

Our speaker for the October meeting was Don Siegel who shared with us his experience as a woodworker in the military. He ran a woodshop in Laredo, teaching a variety of woodworkers from age 14 all the way through Brigadier General.

He also related some experiences that he has had with allergic reactions to different types of woods. While resawing a Bodark log (Osage orange) he had such an allergic reaction to the wood that he passed out. This reaction caused him to break out in hives all over his arms. Some of the other woods he has had allergic reactions to are Mesquite, Ash, Red and White Oak, also the chemicals in paint and some glues.

Always remember SAFETY FIRST-- LAST AND ALWAYS--Take your time.

Thanks Don for sharing with us your experiences in woodworking.

NOMINATIONS OF OFFICERS FOR 1993

The following members have been nominated to serve as your Officers for 1993.

PRESIDENT: Bud Froelich

VICE-PRESIDENT: Ted Kurland

SEC./TREAS: Joe Wainwright

BOARD MEMBER: Art Chester

BOARD MEMBERS: Jack Conry, Denis Muras and Bill Smith

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

We will vote on the new Officers for 1993 at the November Meeting.

CHARITY SALE

The Charity sale is finished for another year. We would like to thank all the members who donated items for sale and the members that

that worked the booth. The total sales to date is \$2872.00, if you have sold any items and not turned in the money, please do so to Bill Smith as soon as possible as we would like to donate the check to the Make-A-Wish Foundation at the December meeting.

SAFETY

By Zatis Murphy

Zatis talked on the toxicity of wood using a chart that is available in the current issue of Wood Magazine--November 1992, Issue 56.

PROBLEMS AND SOLUTIONS

Bill Beggs needed a local source for caning supplies--if was suggested that he try the Settlers at 1437 West Alabama.

Another member had questions on Cherry finish and a safe finish for children. Cherry will darken with age no matter if you stain it or just use a clear finish. You can slow down the aging by using a finish that contains uv filters. Most finishes will tell you if they are safe for children--Watco once it has cured (about 2 weeks) is a safe finish and Krylon paint is child safe.

SHOP TIPS

Don Sloan gave a good finishing tip on how to age Cherry by using oven cleaner, spray the Cherry with Oven cleaner wipe if off, neutralize with vinegar and you have aged your Cherry.

Band saw blades should be untensioned when not in use. Constant tension will cause a flat spot on the band saw tires.

Norm Newberry has found a place in Houston to replace those dead rechargeable batteries that fit in cordless drills etc. You must bring in your old batteries and they will put new batteries in your case. Mathes Rechargeable Batteries at 7762 Braniff phone 641-6449. They are located on the first street directly behind Hobby Airport just a few blocks off Telephone Road.

BUY AND SELL

Ken Wallis has some 8/4 Maple for sale. The Maple varies in width from 5 inches to 10" wide and lengths 18"-20" and 30" and 36"-40".

If you are interested in purchasing some call Henry Reed at 465-8070 as soon as possible and place your order and Ken will bring it to the November Meeting.

For Sale 16" Dremel Model 1601 2 speed Scroll saw--\$125.00 contact Lee Palfreyman at 497-7085.

OCTOBERS PROJECT

Octobers project was an Outdoor project. We had no takers.

NOVEMBERS PROJECT

Novembers project will be about Christmas--you can either bring in items that you are making for Gifts or any kind of Christmas project.

SHOW AND TELL

We had a good turn out for show and tell, with most of the show and tell being donated to the Charity Sale.

Chuck Maxwell made a tray cut out in the shape of a Christmas Tree. The plans were in Weekend Woodworker #30. The plans call for you to use a router but Chuck adapted so that he could cut it out on his pin router. The plans also suggest that you finish the tree with white paint but his Great Granddaughter said it must be green. So the tray is green.

Don Sloan using the same issue #30 of Weekend Woodworker made the Joseph and Mary carved intarsia project. Don wanted to make the carving larger than the plans called for so he just enlarged them at the copy store.

Robert Sandlin made two Doll house tables with a Marblized top.

Zatis Murphy attended a clinic given by Ed Burger on wooden pens and now he is turning them out in quantity. The display of pens were donated to the sale, as were some stamp holders.

Clyde Ellison made some banks from recycled #2 Post Office Boxes.

Tom Gathright made some cutting boards.

Guy Meaders made a baby carriage.

Tom Richardson showed off some rolling pins.

Bob Gallant had some pumpkin baskets and small cutting board with a turned handle.

Denis Muras made a variety of toys from the Fat Cat series in Wood magazine. He also had a train, bull frog and waddling duck.

Loyd Raiford made a car hauling truck complete with cars, duck puzzle and the chick and egg puzzle.

Marvin Chamberlain made some oven rack push pulls and note pads.

Another member made a dragon puzzle and reindeer baskets.

FINISHING TIP

By Leonard Elkholtz

The following is a good and easy finish for small items:

1. Sand the piece as usual.
2. Apply a brush coat of Deft and let it dry.
3. Either sand the piece with 220 grit paper or steel wool it smooth.
4. Apply another brush coat of Deft and lightly steel wool the item.
5. Apply a light coat of spray Deft from a spray can.

The piece is finished. Thanks Leonard for the tip.

If you have a woodworking tip--technique--or anything that pertains to woodworking how about sharing it ?

NEW WOODWORKING PBS TELEVISION SERIES

Channel 8 has a new woodworking show called American Workshop, it airs on Saturday at 1:30 P. M. It follows the Woodwright show.

DO IT YOURSELF EXPO SHOW

Denis needs volunteers to work the show at the George Brown Convention Center Saturday November 21 and Sunday November 22. He needs projects to display and workers to man the booth. If you can help contact Denis.

NOVEMBER MEETING

WHEN: NOVEMBER 14, 1992 9:00 A. M.

WHERE: BAYLAND COMMUNITY CENTER
ON BISSONNET AT HILLCROFT

PROGRAM: Chairmaker Tom Hilton will demonstrate his unique fish carved chair legs.

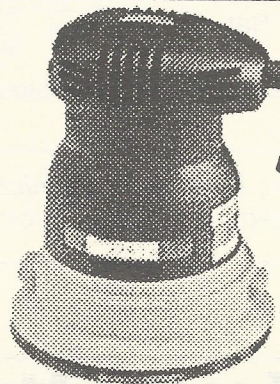
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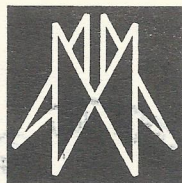
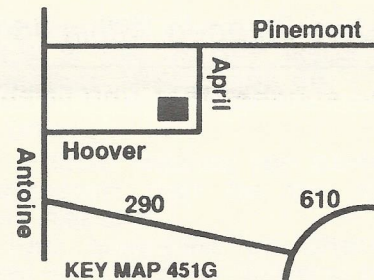
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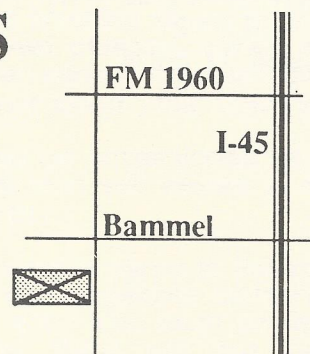
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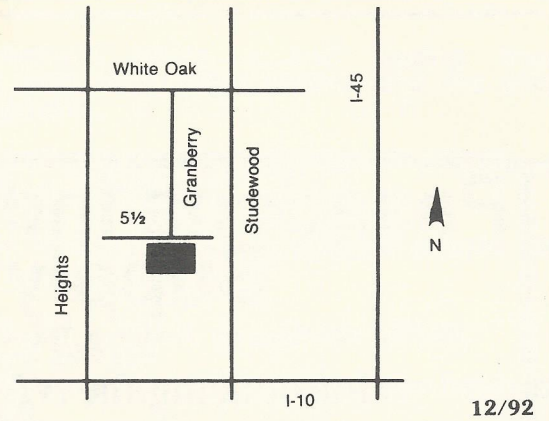


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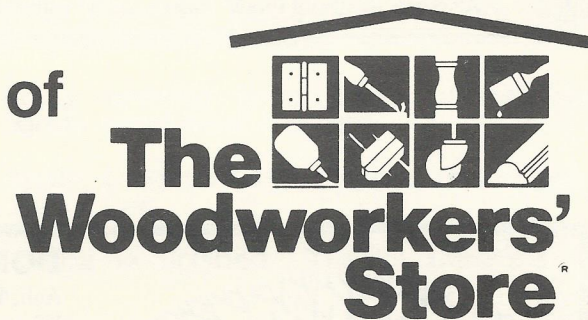
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