

Woodworkers Club of Houston



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New Members

Welcome to WWCH!

George Graves
Ann Markovich

Pick up your Membership Directory and sign in at each meeting so you will be counted.

Happy to have you with us!

WWCH Calendar

August 10 Toy Group Day Meeting
 August 13 Monthly Meeting
 August 18 CNC Router Splinter Group
 August 18 Furniture Splinter Group
 August 24 Hand Tool Splinter Group
 September 10 Monthly Meeting
 October 8 Monthly Meeting & Picnic

August Program

Bandsaw Blades

Michael Dietrich will present information about bandsaw blades and the services his company Falcon Auger offers.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Jim Heavey presented at the July meeting and he was absolutely terrific. I'm sorry for anyone who wanted to attend but wasn't able. In addition to having a wealth of knowledge, he's down to earth and a great speaker. And his techniques are smart and easy to understand.



He made a point of addressing the list of topics the club had put together as well as questions from the floor. He covered many topics, but my favorites are the simple ones, like the jigs he made for cutting dados.

A big thanks to Crosspoint Church, whose facilities were such a good fit. And we appreciate the sponsorship we received from Circle Saw and Houston Hardwoods. Thanks to all the club members involved in the success of the program: Mike Turner for lining up Jim Heavey and coordinating the program, Bill Harris for handling the lunches, Patti and Larry Page for donating the drinks, and David Janowitz for managing the ticket sales. John Lastrapes brought the router table and router, Woodcraft SW provided the workbench and Bill Harris the table saw. Denis Muras served as our A-V guy, as he does at regular meetings. I'm not sure of everyone who brought wood, and I apologize to anyone I left out.

It really helps that we have so many people willing to help.

Speaking of helping, Lisa has given notice that she'll be turning over the reigns as Newsletter Editor at the end of the year. She's done a wonderful job, and I know she'd be happy to talk to anyone interested to give them a good idea of what the position entails. She will also provide training on the software used to create the newsletter if needed.

See you in August!

Roslyn Hager, President

Splinter Groups

CNC Router Splinter Group will meet on Thursday, August 18th, at 7:00pm at Patrick's place, 20734 Settlers Lake Circle North, Katy, TX 77449. Please contact Mike Turner at 281-633-1807 for further assistance.

Hand Tool Splinter Group: Per group member requests, the meetings will be moved to Sunday evenings until further notice. The August meeting is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, August 28, from 7:00 to 9:00 PM at Mark Bolinger's garage in Sugar Land near Hwy 6 and 90A. Please watch your email for any changes or cancellations. Email Mark for directions or details at marksmithb@windstream.net.

Scroll Saw Splinter Group: The next quarterly Scroll Saw Splinter Discussion Group will meet October 22nd at Woodcraft South, Beltway 8, 9:30 AM. This has been a great year with lots of participation and good attendance. In October, we will have several of our members discuss how to better use the computer for our patterns. One of the main items for discussion will be how to convert black line patterns to red line patterns. We have a new member, Don Pott, who is a retired computer software man and knows how to do several of the activities we will be covering. This will be a very informative session!

As we are getting closer to Christmas, you are probably making gifts so bring them in for Show N Tell. Write down those questions for Problems N Solutions. We all learn from others "problems".

For more information contact Norm Nichols at 281-491-3220.

Toy Splinter Group: meets the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at Tim Shaunty's shop. On August 10th, we will meet from 12:00 until 3:00 p.m., and on August 24th, we will meet in the evening from 6:00 until 9:00 p.m.

For more information please contact Andy Anderson at 713 409-7030.

Furniture Splinter Group: The furniture splinter group will meet again Thursday, August 18th, at 7:00 p.m. In July we met and sweated while we discussed the progress of our end table project. My air conditioner in the shop quit. (I will have it fixed for the next meeting.)

Some members brought in their work to show (Spoiler alert—there is some nice show and tell coming up!!) We also demonstrated edge joining using the table saw. This technique was taught by Jim Heavey during his first visit.

Last but not least, we worked with the biscuit joiner. Discussions of set up, biscuit size, tool quality, jigs, use, safety and more.

All are welcome. Coming soon, the blanket chest (some might call it a hope or cedar chest). We would love to have you. And I promise to have the air conditioner working then.

For more information, email Lynn Cummings at Lmcummings@hotmail.com

Sawmill Splinter Group is for those who are cutting and milling their own lumber or are interested in doing so. We discuss sawmills and the projects possible with the lumber. Anyone with logs to mill or an interest in the sawmill can contact Bill Lindsey at bill_lindsey@comcast.net.

WWCH Collecting Toys

WWCH is collecting **STUFFED ANIMALS** to distribute to the police. They carry these stuffed animals in their squad cars to give to children when they answer domestic disturbance calls. These soft and cuddly toys are so helpful to a traumatized and tearful child when their world is turned upside down.

If you have access to stuffed animals that could comfort a child, bring them to a meeting and we'll take it from there.

Thank you, from the children!

Help Needed!



It's almost time to start building our slate of officer candidates for next year. It's a short-term assignment, helping to gather the names of people willing to be an officer or on the Board next year.

Chuck Meeder has volunteered to serve on the committee. He can use some assistance, so please contact Roslyn Hager at roslynhager@sbcglobal.net if you're interested in being on the nominating committee for the December election!

August Meeting Raffle

There will be a pneumatic nail gun up for raffle. Tickets will be \$3 each or 2 for \$5.



In Memoriam



Bill Cole, long time member of WWCH, passed away June 19, 2016 at the age of 82.

Bill served as the WWCH Treasurer from 2006 to 2008. He was active with club business for many years and made a point of keeping the Board in line. He had been an avid motorcyclist and a regular with the Toy Making group. Among his many contributions to the club, he was responsible for selling hats and shirts, contributed to the picnic, and participated in Arbor Day at the Houston Arboretum.

He leaves behind his wife Rosemary and two sons.

Emails Result in Interesting Projects

Do you ever wonder about what happens to those e-blast emails you receive from WWCH with the subject line, "Client Needs This" or "Client Needs That"? As webmaster I rarely receive feedback from clients but I do occasionally hear from WWCH members who have accepted commissions.

John Gay wrote me of his recent experiences. A while back there was a request for some tools for a Masonic group. The client sent some photos of what the group wanted. John was able to talk to the client and suggested that a trowel and a case be added. When everything was done, he had completed a set of tools and two hammers.

For the past three plus years or so, John has been helping restore a Danish fishing boat that was used to rescue Jews from the Nazis during a three week period in 1943. The white oak used for the hammers came from that boat. This guy is from Denmark and his grandfather was part of the resistance so he liked the wood for the hammer. He told his good friend who belongs to a Jewish Masonic Order about it and that is why John made two hammers. John may build another tool case.

(Historical note: The US Holocaust Memorial Museum reports that 7200 Jews and 680 non-Jews were evacuated to Sweden by Danish fishermen.)

John also helped out a former WWCH member, Walter Hanson. A client needed some boat furniture so John forwarded that email to Walter who, by the way, had been leading the Danish boat restoration. Walter has a boat and lives close to the coast and was able to help that client with some boat furniture.

Responding to email requests sent to WWCH, John has taught Girl Scout troops, made some interesting projects, made a little money, and just had some fun. Can't beat that, can we? If you have responded to a client's request we'd like to hear your story too. Send an email to me at wwch@wwch.org.

Submitted by Gary Rowen

Fall Shop Crawl

ALL Woodworker's and wannabes, there will be another shop crawl on September 10th after our regular meeting. I would like to have people from the Clear Lake and Friendswood areas be our hosts. Contact me at williamharris3120@att.net or call me at 281-498-8482 to enroll your shop in the crawl.

Submitted by Bill Harris

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NEXT MEETING

August 13, 2016

9:00AM TO 11:30AM

BAYLAND COMMUNITY CENTER, 6400 Bissonnet

Michael Dietrich: Bandsaw Blades

Guests are always welcome at WWCH meetings!

Newsletter Publication: Do you have an announcement or item for the newsletter? Send it to Lisa Sessions, WWCH Newsletter Editor, at lasessions@earthlink.net.

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Woodworkers Club of Houston**

WWCH PURPOSE: The Woodworkers Club of Houston is a group of men and women of all ages and skill levels who promote, educate, and share the craft of woodworking. The club meets the second Saturday of every month from 9-11:30 at Bayland Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet at Hillcroft. Guests are always welcome at no charge. Membership dues are \$36 per year, or about the price of one good clamp!