The Sawdust Sentinel

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Toy of the Month Preview

WWCH July 2025 Toy of the Month

Aerial Drone Puzzle

WWCH Calendar

Monthly Meeting	07/12
Hand Tool Meeting	07/09
CNC Router Meeting	07/15
Furniture Meeting	07/23
Scroll Saw Meeting	07/26

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Splinter Group Information

CNC Router Group: Next meeting is July 15th at 7:00pm. For more information & location, please Contact Bill Teague; 2stepper@teague.us

Scroll Saw Group: Next meeting is July 26th; meeting at 9:00am; location is Fusheng Wang's apartment. For more information please contact: Norm Nichols; scrollsaw@comcast.net or Denis Muras; denis_muras@yahoo.com.

Furniture Group: Next meeting is July 23rd from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Meeting for dinner at 5:30pm. For more information & location, please Contact: Henry Majoue; hjmajoue@gmail.com or Andy Tofuri (contact info in directory).

Hand Tool Group: Next meeting is July 9th at Tom Blanko's house. Start at 3:00pm to 5:00pm, dinner at Urban Skillet, return at 7:00pm to 9:00pm. For more information & location, please Contact: Henry Majoue; hjmajoue@gmail.com or George Alderete (contact info in directory).

Sawmill Group: For more information please Contact Bill Lindsey: bill_lindsey@comcast.net

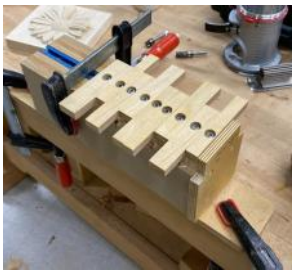
Toy Group: Toys are independently produced, if you are interested in building toys for the toy program, please contact: Chris Schwartz; christopher7schwartz@gmail.com or Andy Tofuri (contact info in directory). You can also preview the Toy of the Month on the web site.

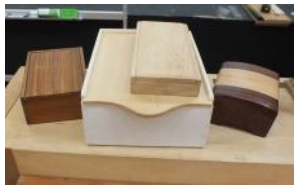
Phil Huber

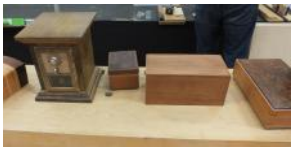
Thanks to the Woodworking Club of Houston for the invitation to share my appreciation and experiences from my home shop with you. Your hospitality was lovely. Woodworking takes many forms that there's a place to find a connection whether it's building boxes, making jigs to work better and smarter, or thinking about common practices and making a few tweaks along the way. Thank you for Rod for the invitation and the advice to get these three presentations assembled.

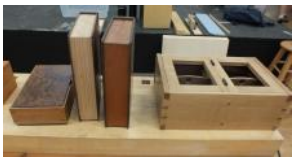
I'll return the invitation. This October (9-11), we're hosting Woodworking In America in Des Moines, Iowa. This is a joint event with Woodsmith, Popular Woodworking, and Fine Woodworking. There's a whole range of speakers, demonstration, and vendors to explore. You can find out the details at www.WoodworkinginAmerica.com

Phil Huber









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Toy of the Month

A link to the Toy of the Month file can be found on the WWCH Web Site
This Month: Drone Puzzle; Plans and Drawings (wwch.org).

Club Announcements

- ◊ July meeting (07/12/2025) will be held at St. Stephen's United Methodist Church at 2003 W. 43rd Street, 77018
- ◊ If you need a profile photo for the new Web Site, see Chris Farquhar at the next meeting.
- ◊ Woodworking In America, Des Moines, Iowa; October 9th thru 11th
- ◊ Hands on Houston coming Fall 2025
- ◊ Exciting News – The Purple Heart Project is Underway!

  We've been honored with the opportunity to build a Rob Cosman Workbench for a local Houston Veteran as part of the Purple Heart Project! We have been assigned a Veteran to build the workbench for. Planning is already in motion, and materials are being sourced. We aim to kick off construction in the last two weeks of July and wrap things up by the end of August. The workbench can be viewed in YouTube on Rob Cosman's Channel "RobCosman.com". Video title is "The Cosman Workbench - Cheap, Easy, and BEST WORKBENCH EVER" https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O0kN1URBUUQ.

  Want to follow our progress? Log in to our website and visit the *Purple Heart Project Forum* for up dates, photos, and behind-the-scenes stories as the build unfolds.

  If you'd like to lend a hand and didn't sign up at our January 2025 club meeting, there's still time to get involved—just reach out to Rod Griffith.

  Let's build something meaningful together!

- ◊ If you are interested in being high-lighted in "Meet the Member". Please see Chris Farquhar at a meeting or contact him at: wwwchnewsletter@gmail.com

New Members

We are pleased to have welcomed **3** new members in June:
Walter Going, Katherine Means & Gordon Start

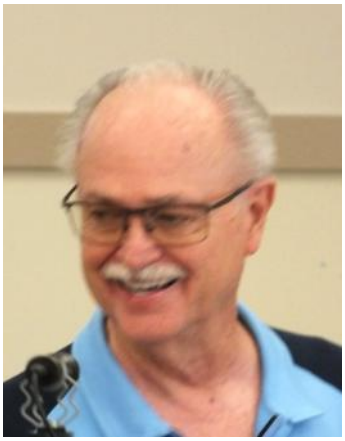
Show and Tell

Andy Tofuri

- End table with Birds Eye Maple top, Zebra wood aprons and Hard Maple legs. Finished with Osmo

Bill Teague

- Impossible boxes using sliding dovetails Internal mechanism using dovetails and a magnet catch; Tic-tac-toe pieces cut on the CNC for the Club's toy drive



Show and Tell

George Graves

- Canes made from several wood species

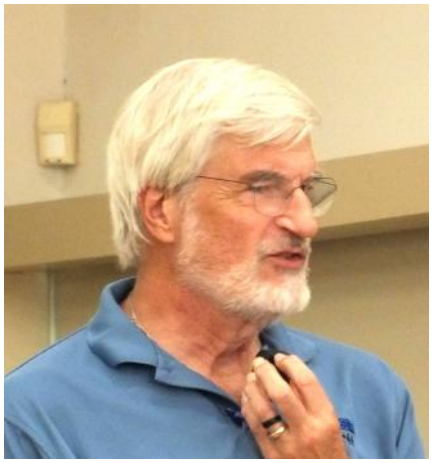
David Janowitz

- Turned bowls of Spalted Maple, Water Oak and Bradford Pear; Cutting boards/serving trays made from Osage Orange & Elm and White Oak & Maple; Turned bowl of unknown wood (Red Gum?) Bottle stoppers of Spalted Sycamore, Mesquite, Osage Orange and Walnut; Mini Baseball Bat

Show and Tell

David VanDewerker

- End tables, one made from Black Walnut, and the other made from Poplar, stained to look like black walnut



Gorden Start

- Table bookstand made from red oak
Book stand with vintage cash register

Upcoming Programs in 2025 at a Glance

Please note that the topics are subject to change and occasionally need to be adjusted.

2025 Meeting Topic Schedule:

Date	Speaker	Topic
July 12th	**Furniture / Finishing Splinter Group**	**Detail of the Rocking Chair with Slung Tile Seat Build**
August 9th	Bryan Bailey	Molding Planes
September 13th	Chuck Meeder	River Dory Build
October 11	No Program	BBQ Lunch and Raffle
November 15th	Members	Virtual Shop Tour of Member's Shops
December 13t	Louis Jasso with Fine Finishing Supplies in Humble	Finishing Outside of a Dedicated Finish Room

Continuing the Rocking Chair Journey

At our May meeting, the Furniture and Finishing Splinter Group showed off their amazing rocking chair during Show and Tell—and it definitely turned heads!

This month, they're back to take us behind the scenes and walk us through how they actually built it. They'll be sharing the tools, techniques, and tricks they used along the way. Whether you're into fine joinery or just love a good shop story, you're going to enjoy this one.

Come hang out, learn something new, and get inspired for your next project!

If you have an idea for a meeting topic or wish to share a project or skill that requires more time than is available during Show and Tell or Favorite Tool, please contact Rod Griffith at one of our meetings or by email at: rodneywgriffith@gmail.com

Meetings at a Glance in 2025

In 2025 there will be schedule meeting dates that are changed due to a conflict with St Stevens United Methodist Church. There are only 3 at this time so please be aware of these changes so you do not miss a meeting. This post will stay in the Newsletter every month to keep you updated and informed. Any questions, please bring up your concerns at the next meeting.

~~⇒ January 11th~~	~~2nd Saturday (no change)~~
~~⇒ February 15th~~	~~**3rd Saturday**~~
~~⇒ March 15th~~	~~**3rd Saturday**~~
~~⇒ April 12th~~	~~2nd Saturday (no change)~~
~~⇒ May 10th~~	~~2nd Saturday (no change)~~
~~⇒ June 14th~~	~~2nd Saturday (no change) - All Day Seminar~~
⇒ July 12th	2nd Saturday (no change)
⇒ August 9th	2nd Saturday (no change)
⇒ September 13th	2nd Saturday (no change)
⇒ October 11th	2nd Saturday (no change) - BBQ Lunch & Raffle
⇒ November 15th	**3rd Saturday**
⇒ December 13th	2nd Saturday (no change)

WWCH General Information

WWCH BOARD OF DIRECTORS OFFICERS

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Bill Harris — Rich Ostermeier
Curtis Love — Brian Murrah
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Club Logo Items	Norm Nichols
Membership Book	Patti Page
Newsletter	Chris Farquhar
Raffle	Bryan Bailey
Refreshments	Steve Wavro
Technology	Denis Muras
Post Master	Gary Rowen
Web Admin	Tom Paulley

NEXT MEETING

Saturday July 12th
Starting at: 9am

St. Stephen's United Methodist Church,

2003 W. 43rd Street, 77018

http: //www.wwch.org

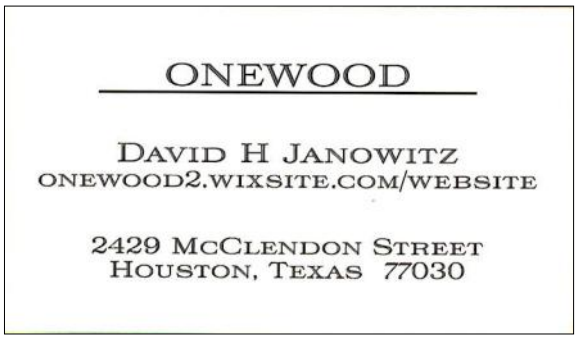
Newsletter Publication: Do you have an announcement or item for the newsletter? Send it to Chris Farquhar, WWCH Newsletter Editor, at wwchnewsletter@gmail.com. Please submit the item before July 30th to be included in the next newsletter.

We're on the Web
www.wwch.org

Join our Facebook Group! 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. Guests are always welcome at no charge. Membership dues are $36 per year, or about the price of one good clamp!

Members Business Cards



If you would like to have your Business Card shown here

and you are a member in good standing.

Please see Chris Farquhar