

SFVW

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San Fernando Valley Woodworkers since 1988

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Monthly Meetings

Our meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7 PM, at the Balboa Park Sports Complex, Gym Building, at 17015 Burbank Blvd, Encino (see page 3 for map).

Meeting Minutes

By Chuck Nickerson

President Albert called the meeting to order at 7:05. Guests this evening were Judy Ferkel (Tom's better half) and Mara Coyne (Gary's better half).

2017 Toy committee chair Jeff Bremer thanked all participants at the build weekend (including the students) and those who prepped for the weekend during the prior months.

Marc Collins and Chuck Nickerson reviewed the upcoming programs:

- ♦ **December 21** is the holiday banquet at El Queso Grande.
- ♦ **January 2018** is finisher Brian Miller featuring some techniques from his new book.
- ♦ **February** is Chuck Nickerson on the design and construction considerations when making a small circular frame.
- ♦ **March** will bring us Jim Kelly recapping a class on making a stool taught by Gary Rogowski.

Ed Sheanin talked about his redesign of our website and the reasons for it. He invited members to try it out and notify him of any issues. Many thanks to Ed for his website diligence.

After a short discussion and a vote we decided to hold the holiday banquet at El Queso Grande. It's located at 10152 Bal-

Holiday Banquet: El Queso Grande
10152 Balboa Blvd. Granada Hills 91344.
\$35/person, on Thursday December 21st
and starts at 7 PM

Our President says...

By Albert Jimenez

Last month's toy challenge was a fun night! It's one of my favorite nights of the year! Thank you all that participated. I hope you all enjoyed that night as I did.

I can't believe my two year term as President is over. It's been a great pleasure and opportunity to have served for the SFVW's. I want to thank you all for helping make our club run so smoothly. I'm talking about the people behind the scenes

like Gary Coyne for the newsletter, Nena and Stephen for the snacks and refreshments, Ed Sheanan for taking care of the website (and lots more), Jeff Bremer for leading the toy committee, Marc Collins for coordinating our speakers, and everyone else in the club for making it

all come together. The club would not be what it is today if it weren't for you all doing your part. Thank you all very much!

This past year has been a rather difficult time for my family and myself. It's been a year of unfortunate events and sorrow. Let's just say that a lot has happened this year. I haven't exactly been myself and as active as I would've like to have been. I apologize for that.

On a positive note. I'd like to thank you all for being a part of this nice group of people. I appreciate the humble camaraderie that resonates from this group. It was actually one aspect of my life this year that has helped keep me centered.

Know that I am very grateful for being a part of the SFVW's. Thank you all very much.

I'm now handing over my seat back to Marc Collins. I don't doubt that we'll be having a great year with Marc leading us. I'm excited to start the new year! Let the challenges begin!

See you all at El Queso Grande on the 21st. We'll eat, drink, and be merry woodworkers!

The Big Cheese signing off,

Albert



Who We Are

The club was formed in 1988 for the purpose of enhancing skills, providing information and sharing the joys of working with wood. The membership reflects a cross section of woodworking interests and skill levels - both hobbyist and professionals. Annual dues are \$35. Full-time student dues are \$15.

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boa Blvd, Granada Hills, 91344. The banquet is \$35 per person and is on 12/21/17 starting at 7 PM.



Officers

Buried under the usual avalanche of volunteers (sarcasm alert), Marc Collins was elected president and Jeff Bremer was elected vice-president. Calvin Sov

graciously volunteered to take photos at the meetings.

Show and Tell

Chuck Nickerson shared a new book on carving by Mary May: Carving the Acanthus Leaf. Jan Somers showed some frames where she added wonderfully colorful decoration. Steve Veenstra displayed a breathtaking hollow form he turned. Jeff Bremer featured a stool he built. Mike Wells showed and donated a hand-forged blade and body parts for a Krenov-style plane.

Toy contest

In the "less than 5" category, Gary Wiloughby and Cliff Lobell battled for supremacy. Gary's



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trains put the victory on rails. In the "5 or more" category, Grant Christensen and Bill Peplow's trucks competed with Grant's yo-yos and Jeff Bremer's treasure chests. In this embarrassment of riches, Grant and Bill's trucks hauled off the loot.





Map for El Queso Grande
10152 Balboa Blvd, Granada Hills, CA 91344



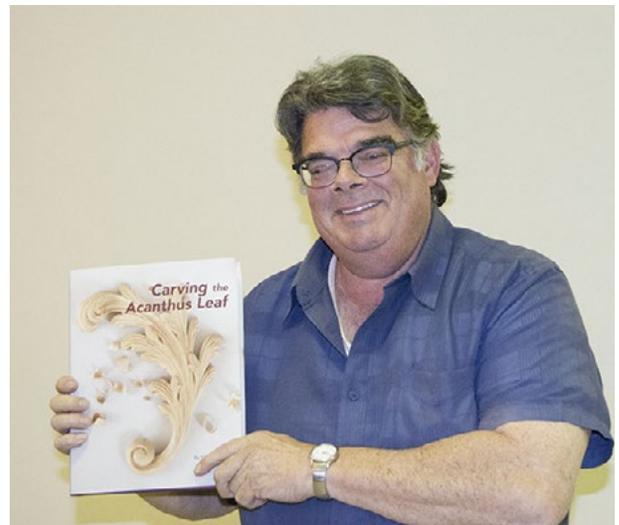
On the Web

Our fellow member, Mark Newton, has a woodworking website that's worth checking out. He didn't ask for this plug, but his site is full of articles and other content.

Check out It's newtonwoodcraft.com

Jay's Custom Creations is a website that has great instruction on Sketch Up. Wayne Thiele watched his video on "Making Cabinets" and found it cleared the fog on how to navigate the program. "By watching it in little segments I was able to use the tools to create a shed I've been thinking of making." There are also links to tutorials on all the commonly tools in the program.

Check out <http://jayscustomcreations.com/sketchup/>



*Thanks Al, you did a
great job as President*

Workbench from Costco

One of the December features at Costco is an interesting workbench. It is 48" L x 18"D x 37"H and features really heavy duty casters and wheel locks. This is a very heavy duty workbench good for over 650 lbs. It is so good looking that many people are buying it for home furniture or patio use.

It comes in one box that weighs 160 lbs, and partial assembly is very easy with 18-10mm bolts.

The casters by themselves are worth \$100 (they even have zerck fittings), the whole thing is \$199.



Upcoming Wood-related Events

Jim Kelly

1. Bosch is sponsoring a sweepstakes with a prize of Bosch drill/driver and hex impact driver kit. Details at: www.boschtools.com.
2. San Diego County is seeking entries for next year's county fair. Next year's theme is "How Sweet It Is (Candy)." Entry forms will be available at www.sdfair.com/entry/designinwood in January 2018.
3. Build Expo USA will be coming to Los Angeles Convention Center March 14-15, 2018. For details, visit: www.buildexpousa.com.