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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 Jim Kelly

The meeting was called to order by El Presidente, Marc Collins, at 7:03 PM. First time attendee was Carrie, who is a member of Dollies Making a Difference and seeks to increase her skill set.

Announcements/Reports

Gary Coyne announced that the club will have a tour of the Maloof shops, house, and wood storage sheds on September 21. After leaving the Maloof compound, the group will proceed to the Metro Ale House for lunch prior to an afternoon tour of the Bridge City Tools warehouse/showroom. Cost is \$25 per participant.

Gregg Masini announced that Rockler Pasadena will be having a special event August 22, 6-7:30 PM to include special demos, drawings, discounts, and light refreshments.

Chuck Nickerson announced that there would be a tool swap meet at Anderson Plywood on Aug 17, 6-11 AM.

Jim Kelly demonstrated a simple way to fold band saw blades into a package 1/3 the normal size.

Marc Collins noted that after applying a thin layer of MinWax to the base of his router, that it moved much more easily around the work

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August's Challenge

Nothing for September

Our President says...

by Marc Collins

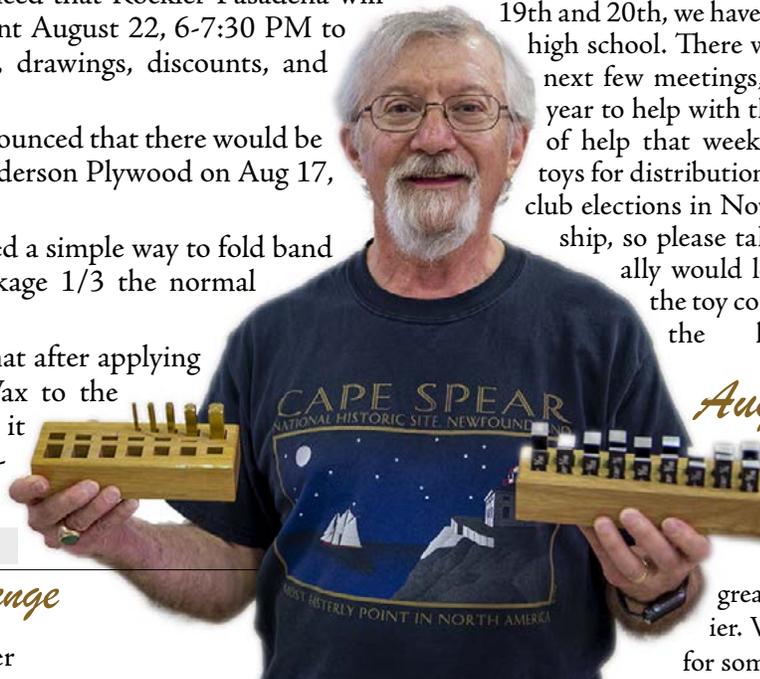
Well, I don't know if you were there, but August was probably the best meeting in the history of the club. I mean we had great things like we always do – crucial club business, an engaging Q&A session, and stellar show and tell, but the presentation on dust collection technology absolutely enraptured the crowd with its detail and depth of information. I didn't know it was possible to have such an exciting and compelling talk. I'd like to personally thank myself for putting together such a magnificent presentation on such short notice after our scheduled speaker dropped out. Truly exceptional.

We have a very busy few months coming up. This month's meeting will be all about jigs and fixtures or "jigstures", as I like to collectively call them. Please bring in any jig or fixture (self or factory made) that helps you cut, groove, dado, route, or otherwise woodwork. I promised you that I would bring in a few of my crappy jigs, so let's all do it! That following Saturday is our incredible field trip the Maloof House (see Gary Coyne for details). Then, of course, on October 19th and 20th, we have the annual toy build at El Camino high school. There will be plenty of info shared at the next few meetings, but this is your last chance this year to help with the toy build and we need every bit of help that weekend to successfully assemble the toys for distribution. We also have the toy contest and club elections in November. We will need new leadership, so please talk to me, if interested, and we really would love to see lots of participation in the toy contest. And then, of course, we have the holiday

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August Meeting:

Members: That's right, it's US. It's the Jigstures meeting (Jigs & Fixtures as it's more commonly known). Bring what makes you great or makes your life in the shop easier. What's good for you might be great for someone else so bring in your "stuff!"



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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surface.



Chuck Nickerson announced that the Design Committee will meet on August 22 at a place to be determined.

Marc Collins reminded everyone that the annual elections for club officers will take place in November. He is termed out and in need of replacement. Volunteers are eagerly sought!

Mark Newton announced that he is offering club members a 15% discount at his woodworking supply store. More information at: <https://www.newtonwoodcraft.com/blog>.

Program Report

Jeff Bremer reported that tonight's presentation would be by Marc Collins on woodshop dust control; September will be our annual jigs and fixtures expose; October will be Brian Miller on using and repairing water based finishes; November will be the annual toy contest with prizes in the 1-4 and 5+ categories, assuming the toys are donated to the club for inclusion in our holiday distribution; and December is our annual dinner on the second Thursday of December to avoid bumping up on the holidays.



Treasurer's Report.

Chuck Nickerson reported that we are solvent and that our new AV system is now fully paid off.

Toy Committee Report

Jim Kelly reported that we seem on track to break four digits this year. The toy build will be 9 - 4 on Oct 19 and 20 at the El Camino High School woodshop in Woodland Hills. For the toy contest in November, push-pull toys

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party on the 12th of December. That's a lot, and we need your help to make it successful, so please stay tuned in and ready to help.

Have a fantastic week and I look forward to seeing you all soon!

Marc
El Presidente



would be a favorite.

Questions

Carrie asked for suggestions for applying a resin coating

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Balboa Recreation Center Location
Map courtesy of Google Maps

From The Design Group

Several projects were brought in for design and construction ideas. Those present shared their ideas and a number of possible solutions were offered. If you are stalled in a project, consider bringing your issues to the next meeting. The next meeting of the Design Committee will be on September 26th, location to be determined.

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to a live edge plank to be used as a tabletop. Lots of ideas were offered

Show & Tell

Gary Coyne showed us a wood block that he had configured to hold his set-up blocks. To facilitate finding the desired block, he has them indexed in three ranks, the 1/8 increments were the tallest, the 1/16 increments were middle in height, and

1/32 increments were sitting the lowest. A slick concept.

George Irwin showed us a logo he is making with light and dark veneers on a plywood base and with a diamond shaped crystal adhered to the design.

Dave McClave showed us a carved panel he is making emulating a Library of Congress bookmark to celebrate the birth of his first grandchild.



Challenge

There was no challenge this month.



Program

Marc Collins gave us a Part II presentation on shop dust control. He pointed out that the dust we can't see is the dust that is going to clog our lungs and cause health issues. He showed photos of various cyclonic collectors that can be used in conjunction with a shop vacuum, as well as large self-contained cyclonic dust collectors. The latter dump the bulk of the waste in a large drum,

while the air and a small amount of entrained dust goes to a second chamber where a high-quality filter traps most of the dust particles. For installed systems, he noted that the use of PVC for ducting is in violation of the California building code due to the difficulty in properly grounding it to preclude spontaneous combustion. Powermatic

has recently introduced an electro-static air filter that uses what looks almost like a standard ventilation fan. The manufacturer claims a five times per hour air turnover in a typical two car garage woodshop. Some websites for further investigation of available options are:

<https://wynnenv.com/>
<http://www.powermatic.com/us/en/home/>
<https://www.oneida-air.com/>
<https://www.clearvuecyclones.com/>
<https://blastgateco.com/>
[https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=dust+collection+for+woodworkers.](https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=dust+collection+for+woodworkers)



Upcoming Wood-related Events

Jim Kelly

The following events and announcements were found in the September-October 2019 issue of Woodworker West and may be of interest:

1. **Now – September 15:** Pasadena Museum of History hosts Giddy Up: Children Take the Reins, featuring more than 35 smaller scale carousel horses. More information at: www.pasadenahistory.org.
2. **Now – January 5:** L.A. Museum of Art presents The allure of Matter; Material Art From China. More information at <https://www.lacma.org/art/exhibition/allure-matter-material-art-china> or call 323-857-6000.
3. **September 21 – 22:** Central Coast carvers will have a carving show at the Veteran's Hall, Cambria. More information at: www.centralcoastcarvers.com.
4. **September 21-23:** San Diego Woodturners will have a demonstration and workshop with Nick Cook. More information at: www.sdwat.org.
5. **September 27-28:** Lie-Nielsen Toolworks will host a hand tool event at Cerritos college. More information at: www.lie-nielsen.com or 800-327-2520.
6. **October 4-6:** Fine Woodworking brings its HANDS ON event to Palomar College. Sessions include bandsaw box making, design development, hand tool techniques, and more.

More information at: www.finewoodworking.com/hands-on-San-Diego-2019/.

7. **October 19-20:** Orange County Wood Carvers will have a carving show at Laborers Union Hall, Santa Ana. More information at: www.ocwoodcarvers.net.
8. **October 20:** Cerritos College Student Association of Woodworking holds its 4th annual Hardwood Derby. More information at: www.cerritos.edu/wood/.
9. **October 26:** Channel Island Woodturners will have a demonstration by Cindy Drozda. More information at: www.channelislandwoodturners.org.
10. **October 26-27:** Sixth Annual West Edge Design Fair at Barker Hangar, Santa Monica. More information at: 917-822-0350.
11. **November 1-3:** Pasadena Heritage's Craftsman Weekend in Pasadena. More information at: www.pasadenaheritage.org.
12. **November 16:** Tool Swap Meet at Anderson Plywood. More information at: www.andersopolywood.com.
13. **Occasional:** The Maloof Foundation is now offering small hands-on classes. More information at: www.malooffoundation.org or (909) 980-0412.
14. **Occasional:** Noted woodworker Taeho Kwon has opened a woodworking school in Temecula. More information at www.tkwoodartstudio.com.

From the Web

More than you ever wanted to know about rubber bands (unless you're Chuck Nickerson, in which case there is no limit on what you want to know)

<https://www.rubberband.com/about-us/rubber-band-basics>

Japanese joinery: Here's a tip on how to make tight joints

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f7HaAZ1ugcA>



From the Road

By Jerry Burkhardt

[Editor: in case you were wondering where Jerry's been, he now tells us!]

Greetings from my road trip, at the time in Bismarck, ND. Sorry that I can not contribute much right now but I should be back for the November meeting.

Just for the fun of it, here is a pictures of my mobile woodworking shop so that I don't get bored while on the road. Other than the special mini-cnc machine in the pictures that I prepared for the motor home, I have a portable bench, drill, jigsaw, saws all, ROS and a bunch of hand tools as well as a modest lumber supply.

Admittedly, we have had enough to do travel-wise, that I ran the machine only once so far. But that is O.K.

