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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 Ginger Gibson

Meeting called to order at 7:06.

New People

Gary and Charla Rose, who don't know about wood-working but came looking for advice (see later).

Barkev Kaldjian who usually makes wooden ashtrays and knife handles, who found out about us by meeting Gary W at Anderson plywood.

Daniel Shepherd, who learned woodcarving from his grandpa.

Tim, who is a friend of Jeff Bremer.

Terry, who used to be a member of CCG- the California Carvers Guild.

Announcements

Gary Coyne announced we had 21 people coming to the Sam Maloof tour, and we should arrive by 10:30. Chuck added that attendees need to bring cash or check for entrance fee.

Mark Newton announced that he has an online woodworking supply store with 825 items for sale, as well as forums for woodworkers. He offered us a 15% discount. <https://www.newtonwoodcraft.com/>

Thanks to Gary Coyne, we now have our own personalized membership cards that prove we were SFVW members for claiming discount at Rockler.

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Our President says...

by Marc Collins

Welcome to October! Another busy month in SFVW land. We've had an exciting time over the last few months. Jigs & Fixtures September meeting was an absolute pleasure as it always is. In addition, we took a fantastic field trip to the Maloof House, lunch at Metro Ale House, and Bridge City Toolworks/Harvey Tools. Thanks again to Gary Coyne for organizing the field trip! Now we are coming up on our annual toy build this month, the toy contest and officer elections in November, and then our Holiday Party in December!

2019 has been good to us and I am grateful for the multitude of experiences we have had this year. I do also expect us to finish the year strong, so I'll be looking forward to seeing your bright and shiny faces on October 19th and 20th for the toy build and then again for our toy contest in November. And, if you show up to the Holiday Party in December, Jeff Bremer has promised to a special dance performance.

Have a great week and I will see you all soon!

Marc

El Presidente



October Challenge

Nothing for October

October Meeting:

Brian Miller, one of the preeminent experts on finishing, will present a talk on water-based finishes and repairs and will answer questions on anything else as time allows.

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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Club Business

Programs: October will be Brian Miller on water-based finishes and repairs. November is the toy contest, with



prizes in two categories: 4 toys or fewer, or 5 or more toys. There will also be a hidden hinge demonstration. December will be the holiday party, on the SECOND Thursday of the

month. January will be a stained-glass demonstration with Stefan, and February will be a presentation on abrasives by A Cut Above.

Treasurer Reports

"We are on sound footing."

Toy Report

The Toy committee meets the 2nd Thursday of each month. The Big Toy Build will be at El Camino High School on 10/19 and 10/20 at 9 a.m. Any skill level is welcome.

We discussed the location/cost of the holiday party in December. Option 1 was Olive Garden at Fallbrook and Victory, which would cost between 25 and 30 dollars per person. Option 2 was to have the party in our regular meeting room. We would have to pay the room rental and catering, but we would also have to handle all the set-up and clean-up, and presumably it would be buffet-style. But the cost would be in the \$12-\$15 range.



Club Officers

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The club voted to go with Olive Garden.

Eitan announced that he brought in a free sandpaper organizer. Whomever wanted it could just take it.

Marc announced that there were a bunch of Fine Woodworking magazines and Standard-to-Metric conversion posters available for the taking.

Elections for new club officers will be in November.

Show and Tell

Chuck brought in a brand new metric Craftsman wrench
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Balboa Recreation Center Location
Map courtesy of Google Maps

From The Design Group

The Design Group met September 26th at Ed Sheanin's home. Discussed were changes to a carving chisel sharpening station and alternate storage solutions for a wide array of small parts. The next meeting will be October 24th., at a location to be determined.



input on debarking a licorice root "stick", which people can use to help quit vaping. He was looking for ideas on how to debark the roots partially, in large quantities, as quickly as possible, while still maintaining a natural feel. Chuck suggested using a Stanley 77 dowel maker. Mark suggested

chucking the sticks into a drill and then running that into an already-spinning flap-sander. Other suggestions included a sandblaster and a wire wheel.

Ed asked for help identifying a mystery tool he had come across, and it was identified as a mezzaluna, a tool for chopping vegetables.

Tips and tricks

Ed mentioned that he keeps a vitamin-type bottle on hand for holding scrap metal like screw heads, etc.

Evening Presentation: Jigs and Fixtures

Chuck showed a shooting board for putting a 45% bevel on the end of super-thin material. (A shooting board supports a plane to help one alter the edge or end of a piece of wood.)

Sam showed a jig for beveling the end of a dowel, and a sandpaper cutter.

Marc showed a



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set he was selling for 20 bucks.

Chuck also showed a box that he's working on inlaying.

Carrie showed pictures of the slab table she's working on.

Jeff showed a TV stand that he made for his nieces out of mahogany and bird's eye maple.

Lavon showed a soap holder made of popsicle sticks and chopsticks.

Marc showed pictures of the Gamble House which he visited with some visiting friends.

Technical Questions

Carrie asked, by show of hands, who thinks she should finish the underside of her slab table. Despite some dissent on whether it's actually necessary, the group answer was yes.

One of the guests, Gary Rose, asked for



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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 – 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.
2. **October 19-20:** Orange County Wood Carvers will have a carving show at Laborers Union Hall, Santa Ana. More information at: www.ocwoodcarvers.net.
3. **October 20:** Cerritos College Student Association of Woodworking holds its 4th annual Hardwood Derby. More information at: www.cerritos.edu/wood/.
4. **October 26:** Channel Island Woodturners will have a

demonstration by Cindy Drozda. More information at: www.channelislandwoodturners.org.

5. **October 26-27:** Sixth Annual West Edge Design Fair at Barker Hangar, Santa Monica. More information at: 917-822-0350.
6. **November 1-3:** Pasadena Heritage's Craftsman Weekend in Pasadena. More information at: www.pasadenaheritage.org.
7. **November 16:** Tool Swap Meet at Anderson Plywood. More information at: www.andersoplywood.com.
8. **Occasional:** The Maloof Foundation is now offering small hands-on classes. More information at: www.malooffoundation.org or (909) 980-0412.
9. **Occasional:** Noted woodworker Taeho Kwon has opened a woodworking school in Temecula. More information at www.tkwoodartstudio.com.

From the Web

A Dewalt promotional film (24 minutes) on their radial arm saws and the WWII effort.

<https://tinyurl.com/y28v42pt>

Craftsman Style Garden Gates

<https://tinyurl.com/yfhhaddx>

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Baltic birch plywood jig for cutting an angle on toy truck cabs, a router jig for routing curves, and assembly jig for toy trucks.

Gary showed how using a dead-on miter gauge on the saw table gets him dead on supports for other

jigs he makes such as a dado jig and a sliding router table jig to do end board routing. He also showed how he uses an empty shoe (to use support a heavy board instead of his food, and two different jigs, one to add handle jig on drawers and another jig to place handles on cabinets. Finally he showed a strip from an aluminum can which he uses for pulling open drawers when you haven't yet put on the handle and there's no other way to get the drawer open.

David Feiner showed a drill-press jig for sanding rounded stuff.

Jeff Bremer showed a push stick and a jig for end-grain

routing.

Eitan showed a jig for making riven dowels (dowels that may or may not be straight but follow the grain. You're supposed to rive

dowels by using a dowel plate, but Eitan didn't have a dowel plate so he made one using a block of wood with a couple of counter-sunk washers of different sizes.

Ed Sheanin showed a bandsaw fence that prevents drift and can deal with boards of varying thickness using its modular construction.

Glenn Dresser showed a jig for sanding down saddles on guitars that have a bridge that's too high (and there's too much action).

Ed's Bandsaw Fence won for best Jig & Fixture.

