



## San Fernando Valley Woodworkers since 1988

<http://sfvw.org/>

### Monthly Meetings

Our meetings are *normally* held on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7 PM, at the Balboa Park Sports Complex, Gym Building, at 17015 Burbank Blvd, Encino.

### Meeting Minutes

*by Eitan Ginsburg*

Club president Stefan Dusedau convened the meeting at 7:05 PM. He welcomed new attendee Sean Camarena. Sean said that he has been doing woodworking his entire life. Currently he is looking for insights into wood turning. Stefan also welcomed Cliff Johnson, who has rejoined the club.

#### Committee Reports:

**Finance:** Jeff Bremer reported that we have enough cash on hand to do the toy build this year and that the club remains solvent. We have 47 members who have paid dues so far this year. We hope to participate in the quilting show this year to raise some money.

#### Toy Committee:

Jim Kelly said we are on track on our toy builds. We are adding some piggy banks based on Ed Sheanin's design. Jeff Bremer has been building additional race cars. Greg Massini was contacted by a person in Palmdale who is willing to donate lumber for toys, however there was no interest due to the distance and need to store it.

#### Program Committee:

The May program will be about building a cello by David Finke.

#### Questions, Tips, Tricks:

Gary Coyne had issues with his Leigh dovetailing jig that seemed aligned but was 1/64" off. He See "Minutes" on page 2

### Our President says...

*by Stefan Dusedau*

I was on Jury Duty for 2 weeks this month on a personal injury trial. It's an interesting process that one must experience to fully appreciate. Initially, the Judge and attorneys questioned prospective jurors to get an understanding of who they felt would be good on the jury. During this process it was apparent that several of the people would do anything Not to be selected. One person even went so far as to answer every question with "I don't know," and even called the attorney rude. Another said he was an eight-time felon and that being in a court room made him very uncomfortable, not the least of which made the others in the court room very uncomfortable. Another person said that she could not be impartial or put aside prejudices in order to be fair. These were not

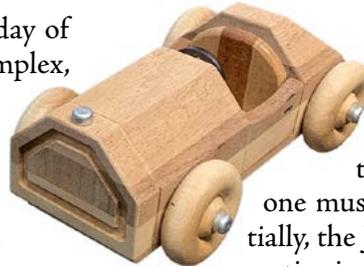
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### May Presentation:

*David Finck's  
Cello-Making Odyssey*

From the commission (the cellist in my daughter's quartet) to the development of the model, and enlisting a world-class cello-maker as a telephone mentor, so far, the experience has been a stimulating adventure."

Since David resides on the east coast, his presentation will begin at 7:00pm and regular club business will take place afterward.



## 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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fixed the problem temporarily using blue tape (and found that 4 layers is equal to 1/64"! ) but was wondering how to adjust it without such a shim. There was not a conclusive solution. [Gary adds: Chuck came over with his router and we tried it again: there was no offset, so it appears to be an issue with

his router. Four layers of blue tape is much cheaper than a new router so that's my best solution at this point.]

### Show & Tell and Announcements:

Eitan Ginsburg showed



the four-pillar jewelry box he just finished for his wife's shawl pin collection. It is made of maple with cocobolo drawer pulls, and figured maple drawer fronts made from shop-sawn veneers.

This was his original design inspired by the planter boxes he made a few months ago.

Marc Collins announced that he is selling his Rigid shop vacuum with an Onida Dust Deputy and hose, for \$120.

Marc also showed pictures of the raised garden beds he built in his back yard. They were made from redwood and feature a rabbeted ledge to sit on and pockets to hold the legs for the sunshade canopies. He finished it with raw linseed oil and installed a grid irrigation system.

Cliff Lobel announced that he is selling his 10" radial arm

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saw.

Gary Coyne said that he is looking for samples of certain types of lumber for an article he is writing. He is looking for the following: eastern red cedar, pecan, soft maple, Philippine mahogany, and hard pine. A few people had "almost" woods," but not the ones he needed.

Eitan Ginsburg said that he discovered a craft-focused thrift store in Pasadena, Reminders Creative Reuse

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### Hey Folks, Dues Time is HERE

**We may still be having our meetings in the Zoom desert but we do have expenses for toys and parts.**

Annual dues are \$35. Full-time student dues are \$15.

Pay via Venmo - @Jeffrey-Bremer-2

Pay via Zelle - 310-740-6892

Make a check to Jeff Bremer and mail it to:

3381 McLaughlin Ave.

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## From the web

- 📌 Tips and Tricks Every Woodworker Should Know  
<https://tinyurl.com/3fywmeus>
- 📌 Taming Handplane Tear-out  
<https://tinyurl.com/yya336nt>
- 📌 Woodcarving Basics  
<https://tinyurl.com/5fzmtf6p>
- 📌 Woodworking with Kids: Carving a Mouse Pt 1  
<https://tinyurl.com/yauhnhwz>
- 📌 Spoon Carving  
<https://tinyurl.com/p2w7rww2>
- 📌 The “Swiss Army” Pocket Knife for Carvers  
<https://tinyurl.com/f5mdtrze>

📌 Choose the Right Plywood [If you go to this article very early you will find a link to “Wood Types, Your Guide to the Lumberyard.” That link will take you to a page where you can sign up for emails from Popular

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people I would have wanted on my jury if I needed a jury to mete out justice. After jury selection questioning, I was chosen to be juror number eleven. I sat through 4 days of testimony for both sides, and a day of attorney summation.

During the trial I was fascinated by the interaction between the lawyers as they helped each other set up white boards or share an overhead slide even though they were adversaries. There was also a large difference between the way the lawyers presented their cases. One attorney used technology to show video clips of depositions and displayed evidence on a video screen. In contrast the other attorney stuck to live testimony and printed pages on an overhead projector.

One of the most difficult things about being a juror was that we were instructed not to speak about the case to anyone, not even other jurors. When we finally got into the jury room to deliberate, it felt good to know that the other 11 members also felt the frustration that I did. We all had a good chuckle over it. Then the hard work began.

We needed to come up with a judgement on negligence and put a dollar amount on what it caused. This was not easy because as you would expect the lawyers had given us widely divergent amounts that they felt was in their clients’ best interest. We jurors reached a decision that put forward a method for a fair alternate settlement, thus ending our time on Jury Duty.

Jury Duty is not an easy thing to do, because it takes time and intense concentration. It takes a group to accomplish the work and feels good when you have completed it. Much like our toy builds, Jury Duty is another way to give back to our community.

Happy Woodworking  
Stefan

Woodworking, a good idea if you’re not already receiving their emails, but if you scroll down past the email signup link, you’ll see the link to download this excellent 20-page PDF. Strongly recommended.]  
<https://tinyurl.com/43szjpeh>

- 📌 Build a Traditional Sawbench for Hand Tool Woodworking  
<https://tinyurl.com/2p8kndjy>
- 📌 Table Saw Infeed Table [Part ad, part nifty idea]  
<https://tinyurl.com/ms68n4b8>
- 📌 On nails  
<https://tinyurl.com/yckukn57>
- 📌 Dovetailed Finger Joint Jig ? - The Secret Revealed! [Finger joints of different sizes on same box]  
<https://tinyurl.com/4j4u73sj>

📌 DO NOT SPEND MONEY! This SIMPLE INVENTION is the SOLUTION you may be needing! (Casters for your bench)  
<https://tinyurl.com/4bctvn4v>

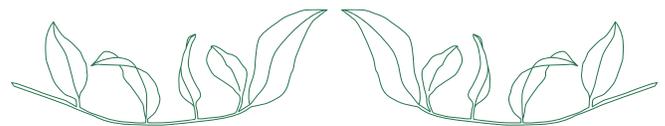
📌 Funny Day Around the Workshop! (Tips & Tricks by Colin Knecht)  
<https://tinyurl.com/4zpu4spr>

📌 Comparing Linseed Oil & Tung Oil  
<https://tinyurl.com/5n7ate4z>

[Editor’s note: the following two videos debate whether using the “ruler trick” is acceptable for chisels. One says yes, the other says “qualified yes and no.”

📌 DEBUNKED- The experts said this chisel trick wouldn’t work!  
<https://tinyurl.com/4m4fcavp>

📌 Back Bevel Chisel Trick - Does it really work?  
<https://tinyurl.com/47pnndac>



*Check it out...*

*by Ed Sheanin*

Check out our website: [www.sfvw.org](http://www.sfvw.org). It is not meant as a just a means for potential members to find us, but also as a resource for our members. Two sections, in particular, are designed as resources for everyone: Links and Plans. The Links section will direct you to our Supporters, where we Shop, Plans on the web, and other links of interest. The Plans section provides you with plans for a Zigzag cutting board, Dolls, Checker Boards, a Thien Separator, and other items club members have made. In addition, there’s the list of our meeting programs, and the Members Gallery. CHECK IT OUT. (If you have anything to contribute to add to the site, please let me know.)

# Upcoming Wood-related Events & Important News

from Jim Kelly

The following events and announcements were found in the November – February 2022 issue of Woodworker West and may be of interest:

*Woodworker West is a great source of events, sources, and items of interest for woodworkers of all types and abilities focusing on places in the Western US. For more information go to <http://www.woodwest.com>.*

The following items of potential interest were found in the May – June 2022 issue of Woodworker West:

**Note:** As the pandemic and wood prices have been easing, Russia invaded Ukraine and now the EU and the US soon have banned wood products from Russia and Belarus. Pre-invasion they supplied about 10% of the US's hardwood.

- ♦ **May 21:** Tool Swap Meet at Anderson Plywood. More information at: [www.andersonplywood.com](http://www.andersonplywood.com).
- ♦ **May 14:** The Bay Area Woodturners will have a virtual demo with Phillip Greenwood. More information at: [www.bayareawoodturners.org](http://www.bayareawoodturners.org).
- ♦ **May 15:** Entry Deadline for the online gallery, Wood Symphony, presents Inside the Box, June 1 – 30, entry deadline; More information at: [www.woodsymphony.com](http://www.woodsymphony.com).
- ♦ **June 11:** The Bay Area Woodturners will have a virtual demo with Stuart Batty. More information at: [www.bayareawoodturners.org](http://www.bayareawoodturners.org).
- ♦ **June 3 – 5:** National Association of Music Merchants will hold the 2022 NAAM Show at the Anaheim Convention Center. More information at: [www.namm.org](http://www.namm.org).
- ♦ **June 7 – 24:** The Furniture Society will hold a

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(<https://remainderspas.org/>). It is at 787 E. Washington, just west of Lake. It has a little that is woodworking related, however he got fabric for his drawer liners, and there is a lot of textiles, yarn, art, and office supplies.

## March Program: Toy Builds

The presentations focused on the various toy build projects and the processes, jigs and fixtures used to make them.

Jim Baldridge presented the dolls, which are used to go with the cradles. He showed the pattern and discussed the decoration of the faces and doll clothing.



series of virtual sessions each day, in lieu of an in-person gathering. More information at: [www.furnsoc.org](http://www.furnsoc.org).

♦ **June 8 – July 4:** The Design in Wood exhibition will return to the San Diego County Fair. More than 350 entries are expected. More information at: [www.sdfair.com](http://www.sdfair.com) or [www.sdfwa.org](http://www.sdfwa.org).

♦ **June 7:** The Northwest Corner Woodworkers will have a virtual presentation by Garrett Hack. More information at: [www.ncwawood.org](http://www.ncwawood.org).

♦ **June 23 – 26:** After two years of virtual gatherings, the American Association of Woodturners is planning an in-person 37th Annual Symposium in Chattanooga, TN. More information at: [www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org).

♦ **July 2 – 3:** Southern California Woodturners Expo at the Marriott Hotel in Anaheim. Focusing on pen turning, features demos, vendors, and prizes. More information at: [www.socalturnersexpo.com](http://www.socalturnersexpo.com).

♦ **July 15 – August 14:** 32nd annual Fine Arts Woodworking Show takes place at the Orange County Fairgrounds in Costa Mesa. Entry deadline May 27. More information at: <https://s3.us-west-1.amazonaws.com/ocfair.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/10170907/2022-Woodworking.pdf>

♦ **July 15 – 31:** California State Fair (Sacramento CA) will also have woodworking competition. Not a lot more information at: [www.castatefair.org](http://www.castatefair.org). Need to wait until it is closer if interested.

♦ **August 15:** Entry Deadline for the online gallery, Wood Symphony, presents Small Treasures, September 1 – 30. More information at: [www.woodsymphony.com](http://www.woodsymphony.com).

♦ **November 15:** Entry Deadline for the online gallery Wood Symphony, presents Art of Giving December 1 – 31. More information at: [www.woodsymphony.com](http://www.woodsymphony.com)

Ed Sheanin showed the piggy banks, which are made of three layers of 3/4" lumber. The pattern will be posted on our website. He also showed sports cars, shaped from 5 layers of laminated 3/4" lumber, which are then band-sawn and sanded smooth. Finally, Ed reviewed the chess/checker boards.

Jim Kelly showed the treasure chests, including the process and jigs to cut the slats at the necessary angles.

Jeff Bremer presented the teen boxes, treasure chests and race cars.

Marc Collins described the evolution of the block trucks. He noted that he uses purpleheart for the routing patterns because it is hard and is more resistant to long-term wear from router bearings, as hundreds of parts are made from each pattern.



