

The Wood Rack

Newsletter of the Long Island Woodworkers' Club

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**Next Meeting -- March 5
Smithtown Barn
7:30 P.M.**

Wednesday the 5th at the Brush Barn in Smithtown. The meeting was opened by Bill Hermanek at 7:30 PM with a great turnout of members, 145 in attendance.

HVLP Systems

Our March 5 meeting will feature Peter McCusker of Turbinaire HVLP Systems.

Mr. McCusker will talk on HVLP spray systems versus conventional spray systems. He will also explain the difference between turbine and compressor HVLP Systems and explain what to look for in an HVLP system.

He will then move on to a "hands-on" type demonstration where he will show the application of woodworking-related finishes. Any member owning a compressor type HVLP gun is asked to bring it in to the meeting for comparison purposes.

Mr. McCusker will be furnishing the club with a variable speed controller (retail value \$109) to be included in the club raffle and will also be offering club discounts on Turbinaire products.

-- Bob Urso

Secretary's Report

Our February, 1997 meeting was held on

Joe Pascucci advised that we have 180 paid members plus 7 new members signed up at the meeting.

Upcoming Events

March meeting -- HVLP Spray Systems

April meeting -- At the Home Depot, Rte. 25, East Northport -- DeWalt will host a special meeting with demonstrations of their products and a preview showing of some of their new stationary tool line.

May meeting -- Guest Speakers will be Pat Leach and Pete Tarran of International Tool Company-- Manufacturers of the "It" Saw as featured by Frank Klausz in his recent presentation. Our Graham Kelly has one of these and just loves it!

Show and Tell

Puzzle -- a beautiful picture puzzle presented by Don Peterson.

Miniature Grandfather's Clock -- made of 1/8" oak and very elaborate fret work presented by Alain Tiercy -- (pattern from Klockit Co.) finished in a combination of Danish oil and polyurethane.

Adjustable Cove Cutting Jig -- for the tablesaw presented by Graham Kelly. Graham recommends using a 60 tooth blade and taking several passes with a 1/16" bite at each pass.

What is it? Plank of Wood -- by Roger Schroeder. After several guesses someone identified it as "Pear." Roger's question now is what to do with it? A ski? Paddle? Music Box?

Turned Bowls by Charlie Felsen, made from Spalted Grapefruit -- one finished with tung oil and one with tung oil and waxed.

Special Event

On March 22, 1997, at the Brush Barn in Smithtown, our guest will be the renowned cabinetmaker, Ian Kirby. Cost of the workshop is \$20. Donuts, coffee, and lunch will be served. All those who plan to attend must sign up at the March meeting. Detail follow later in the Newsletter.

Book Library and Tapes

Two new volunteers assisting our librarians will ensure that books and tapes are on hand at meetings.

Monthly Raffle Winners

1st prize -- Panel Gauge -- Bob Hall
2nd prize -- Stanley 90J Plane -- Shirley Leonard

Ten additional prizes were raffled for those who donated toys for December's Toys for Tots Program. One chance was given for each toy submitted.

The New Jersey Woodworking Show

was held on January 31, February 1, 2 at the Garden State Exhibition Center in Somerset, N.J. It was quite a show. Several LIWC members reported that it was well worth the trip (approximately 100 miles each way). There were lots of new items and good prices. It's not as big as the Philadelphia show but much larger than the Westchester show held last fall.

Some members requested that we have a Question and Answer column included in the newsletter. Send questions to

Graham Kelly
92 Kurt Lane
Hauppauge, NY 11788

Answers will be published in future newsletters.

Guest Speaker

Norm Roberts -- Ask a question about plywood products and Norm Roberts has the answer! If you missed this meeting, you missed a most informative session. Norm explained how his company has become one of the top leaders and innovators in the industry. Roberts Plywood offers an extensive line of products for cabinetmakers, architects, builders, etc. Some new products are 4" and 6" cylinders, curved plywood, and MDF moldings. Please feel free to call Roberts Plywood if you have any questions. Remember, too, that they offer a 10% discount to LIWC members who present their membership cards. Our thanks to Norm for a wonderful presentation!

Note: Be sure to wear a name tag at meetings!!!

-- Bob Hall

Ian Kirby Workshop

The workshop with Ian Kirby will take place on Saturday, March 22, from 9:30-4:00 PM. Cost is \$20.

Some of the topics that Ian will be covering are the logic of woodworking, 400 years of furniture styles, the Art and Craft Movement Since 1900, joints for solid wood, hand tools (blowing the myth of difficulties), and machine operations. Bring all your questions.

Ian is on the cover of the latest American Woodworker. He plans to bring the bench that is shown in that picture.

Ian was educated as a furniture maker and designer in England. He has taught, worked, and written extensively in England and the United States. He is a lecturer in furniture and design at London University and at California State University in Los Angeles. He has recently published a series of articles on joinery in American Woodworker.

The \$20.00 cost for this workshop includes lunch. Preregistration is required since we must know how many people we have to prepare lunch for.

Please send checks (payable to The Long Island Woodworkers Club) to

Brian Hayward
9 Tracy Drive
Huntington, NY 11743

Library News: The library has six new video tapes by Mark Adams. Titles are the following:

Routing: Advanced Router Jigs and Fixtures

Laminates

Cabinetmaking

Marquetry: Art of Veneering

Wood Bending

Joinery

Market Place

Wanted. Any antique woodworking tools or machinery. Bill Hermanek, 360-1216.

Wanted. Back issues of *Fine Woodworking* magazine, issues 10-16. Call Steve Abatzidis, 421-0657.

For Sale: Craftsman 10" Bandsaw, 3 Wheel with stand -- \$85.00.

Craftsman 10" Radial Arm Saw with stand and casters -- \$235.00.

Shopsmith 4" Jointer with stand, casters, motor and dust port -- \$300.00.

Bench Planes -- Stanley, Sargent, etc. Antique, collectible or excellent user quality, Block, Smooth, Fore, Jack, and Jointer. Some wood bottoms available. -- Reasonable. Call Bob Hall. 265-5345.

For Sale: Stanley #5 plane, #4 plane, #4 smooth plane, #20 square. Two wooden planes. Magicut 12" flat file, 12" half round file (for Formica). Black and Decker 6 1/2" Portable Circular Saw with extra blades and case. Call Bill Weiss, 433-7835.

Shopsmith Mark 5 System for Sale. Includes every available accessory! A lot of extras! Worth \$5000.00, asking \$3500.00. Call Steve Paulo, 796-6076. Beeper Number, 335-7965.

WANTED: Volume # 8 of *Fine*

Woodworking series entitled Techniques. Anxious to finish my set. Contact Roger Schroeder, 691-2095.

FOR SALE: Porter Cable dovetail template. Excellent condition. \$40.00. contact Roger Schroeder, 691-2095.

Woodworking tools and books for sale. Planes, drills, clamps and more. Twenty-six titles, FWW, FHB, and videos. \$200.00 takes all. Call Don Breinlinger, 669-9432.

Wood Shaper on stand with cutters. \$100.00. Call Paul Voels, 561-2190.

Craftsman 10" Radial Arm Saw. Stand with wheels, vacuum attachments, blades, misc. Tools, molding and dado attachments, universal jig (tenoning joints). Asking \$325.00. Call Dennis, evenings and weekends, 929-3634.

Sears 10" Table Saw. \$125.00. Call Bob Urso, 724-4625.

Craftsman Router Duplicator machine with router motor and router carving bit. \$50.00. Emglo Compressor, 1 3/4 hp wheelbarrow type with heavy duty hose and fittings. Like new. \$400.00. Rodac In-line Air Sander with lots of

sandpaper. \$95.00. Call Charles Carter, 473-0309.

Questionnaire Results

The results of the questionnaire prepared by Frank Kiefer for the LIWC are now available.

Space does not permit including all the data in this issue of the newsletter, but it is interesting to highlight a few facts.

Of the 87 members who responded, 40 are retired. 69 are interested in furniture making, 57 in cabinet making, 51 in craft items, and 50 in finishing. Scroll work (46), Woodturning (43), Toy Making (41), Furniture Restoration (40), and Box Making (39) are also quite popular.

The most widely owned tool is the router. 84 out of 87 have one. That's 96.55%! After that, the five most popular tools are the drill press (86%), the table saw (85%), the belt sander (78%), the router table (78%), and the bandsaw (61%).

Thanks to Frank for compiling all this information.

-- Jim Cosgrove

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