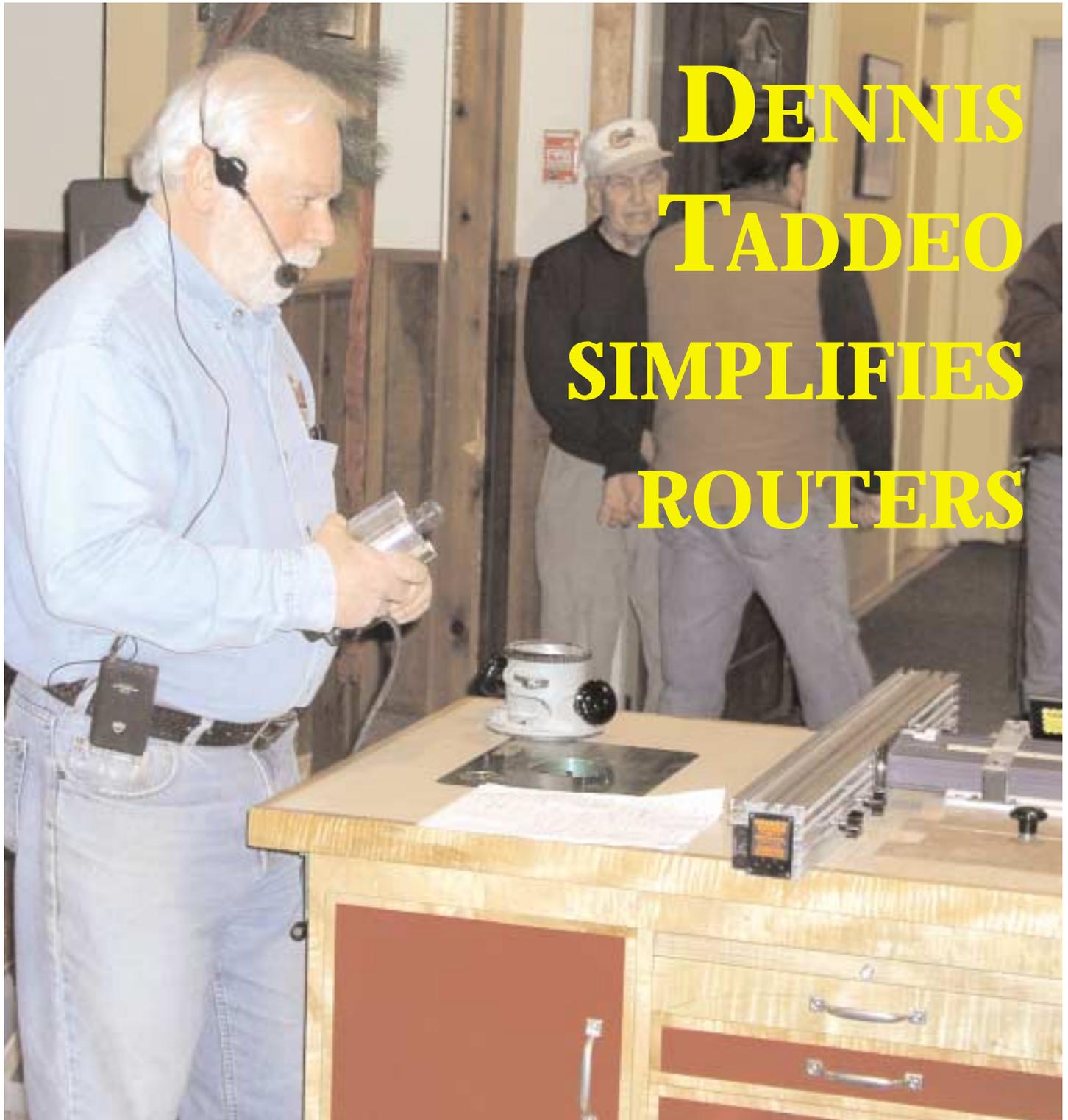
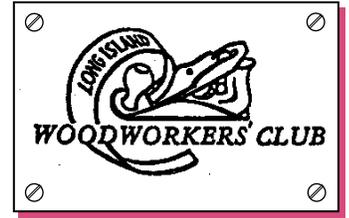


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Please note the Cabinetmaker's SIG meeting was cancelled this month due to inclement weather.

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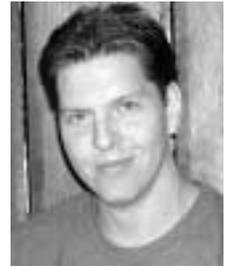
Next meeting:

Wednesday March 5th  
7 PM Brush Barn

Festool Presentation

**President's Message**

*Mike Daum*



The general meetings at the Barn each month have been held without cancellation for as long as I have been a member (2000). The recent hazardous weather conditions caught up with the scheduled meeting of the Cabinetmaking SIG (LIC) and their board of directors cancelled their February meeting in order to keep us safe and off the roads.

This prompted me to evaluate how we would inform the membership in the event of a meeting cancellation or postponement. Of course, the information will be provided on the website forum and the events listing of the website. In addition, if enough lead time is sufficient, an email blast will be sent. If you are ever unsure of the status of an event, there is a phone number to call that will now be listed on page 2 of every issue of the Woodrack newsletter. This is the hotline at 631-656-5423. Every effort will be made to keep the information updated and current.

As a last resort, you can call me directly on my cell phone at 516-528-1426. If I am unable to answer the call, try calling someone else on the board of directors listing to the left on page 2. Their information is available on the members' listing of the website. This should cover all bases, but I'm sure some woodworking junkie (like me) will always turn up waiting for a meeting in a blizzard or severe thunderstorm.

I'm looking forward to the March 1st Saturday hands-on workshop symposium on hand-cut dovetails. As woodworking's pinnacle joinery, it is an important process to learn but most of all very rewarding to accomplish. I would encourage everyone to attend that has some time to meet with us at the Barn starting at 9 am. You may attend anytime during the day. With a little practice and a few minutes, you will have cut at least one joint. If you've already got the experience, maybe you can work on other challenging techniques like the "hounds-tooth" or half-lap (half-blind) dovetail. There is a complete listing of tools and accessories necessary in these pages, but if you lack any or all of them a limited supply can be borrowed at the workshop. Hope to see you there!

Editor's Note: Sanjay Kapur and Steve Blakely sent me a great 4 page article on how to use the new website, since there have been so many problems signing in now. However, the format was not compatible with the page layout software I use, and I've been sick the last month (which is why The Woodrack is so late this month. So I will work on reformatting it and getting in soon. Daryl

## Secretary's Report      Show Biz



*Gabe Jaen*

**M**ike opened the meeting at 7:00 with a brief pause for the purchase of raffles. He started the business part of the meeting asking for a show of new members. We welcome:

Andrew LaVecchio of Massapequa

Dan Rauch of Selden

Deborah Novomeslky of east Northport

John Parmiter of Oceanside

Mike mentioned the Saratoga Woodworking show on April 5th through 7th. Daryl Rosenblatt is taking names of those interested in going in a rented bus. Call or contact Daryl if interested. It's one of the finer shows given by a woodworking club and one we based our show on.

Gabe Jaen gave thanks to all the club members that asked about his health and even volunteered blood donations for this past year and a half.

Adam Fisher gave a tribute to the club members for always being available to help him and others when questions were asked about woodworking, including the use of their shops or equipment.

Mike and I talked about the need of a wheelchair ramp for a young man from Centereach.

He is slowly coming out of a two year coma after a terrible auto accident. The individual asking for our help is Marge who works for F & M printing. They do our newsletter and brochures for our Show. The parents want to bring him home to give him more personal attention. We are looking for all kinds of volunteers and donations of building materials.

Steve Costello of the 100 Toy Gang mentioned that the Morgan Center, a private facility for the day care of children under going chemotherapy, will have an auction at the end of March. Donation of shop made toys or furniture projects will be appreciated. Mike Luciano is doing the collecting of these donations and will be delivering them to the Morgan Center. Thank you for your donation.

Alain Tiercy offered a front door with an oval window to anyone interested. He bought it several years ago and never go a chance to hang it.



*Mike Daum*

**I**f you haven't visited our website lately, you will discover (as I just did) that the images of projects from Show 2007 and all of the past years are there for us to see. Special thanks goes to Jim Macallum and Sanjay Kapur for coordinating this effort. There are still a few missing images of Show 2007 ribbon winners, as you recall that we scrambled to take pictures of everything with very little time to set it up.

You were promised a special Show edition of the Woodrack, especially for those who do not access the internet. We hope to have this issue ready for April. This will help keep the Show fresh in our minds, and hopefully encourage time devoted to projects for our Show this year in October.

We are still looking for photos taken at the Moose Lodge to include in the upcoming supplement. Please share your pictures with us; maybe even some commentary/story that recalls a fond memory of our event. You can contact me or Jim Macallum at the next meeting, or email or call us privately.

A reminder that the Saratoga Springs annual showcase bus trip is on Saturday April 5th. More information can be found in these pages. If you still lack inspiration for an exhibit project for our Show, this just might be the place to get it.

Steve Blakley under took the task of tracking down all the clubs tools presently loaned out to members in order to have an auditable inventory of these items. Anyone not contacted having possession of these tools please contact Steve. Future lending of these tools will require a signed release of liability from the borrower.

Sanjay Kapur, our webmaster, mentioned the Somerset NJ woodworking show taking place the weekend following the monthly meeting.

James Dellatore, Sgt. to many, mentioned that our club and the Suffolk community donated more than 160,000 toys for the Toys for Tots program. These toys went to

**Secretary's Notes, continued from page 3**

300 Suffolk organizations. It took 12 Marines full time to sort these toys by gender and age groups. Congratulations to the U.S. Marine Corps on this efforts and may they be safe on all fronts.

SIGS:

Cabinet Makers: will have Mike Daum give a presentation on carcass construction.

Turners will have a demonstration on two piece hollow forms given by Bob Dalpiaz, a member.

Scrollers will be working on picture frames.

Show and Tell; Frank Allaire brought in one of several miniature golf carts he made.

Gary Goldberg brought in a chair his father made when Gary was a kid. Well preserved and painted, it inspires Gary to learn more about woodworking now that he has a chance.

Frank Napoli brought in some of his carvings, and much to his delight he may be responsible for forming a new SIG.

Joe Napoli Jr. brought in a guitar he made and is looking to improve his skills in making musical instruments. This is Frank's nephew.

Charlie James brought in a fixture he made for handplaning thin stock.

Melissa Bishop brought in a few of her beautiful turnings.

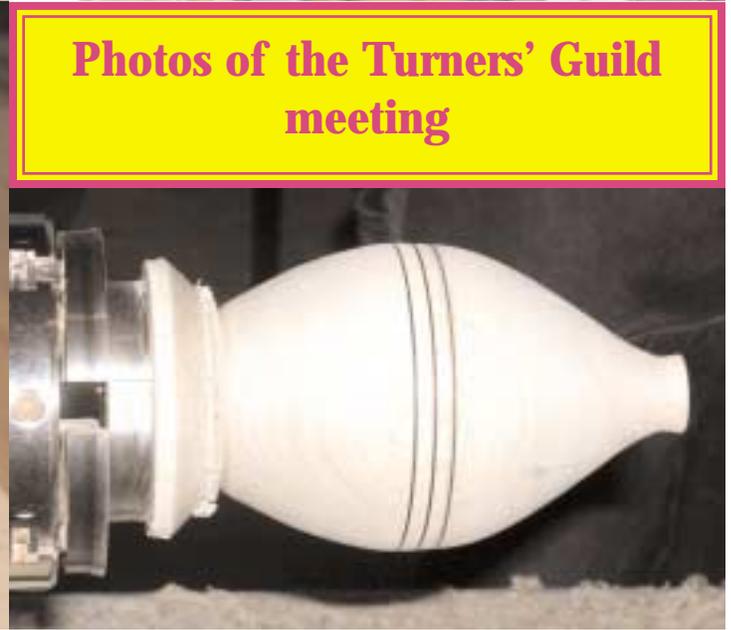
The presenter of the evening was Dennis Taddeo who brought in a most impressive router table. Of course his presentation was on routers, cutters and techniques. His presentation was limited, which made it difficult for the old timers who had to catch the last bus to the senior citizen club, myself included. The Barn was loaded - which means that the topic is of great interest to the members. The router is one of the most versatile of the power tools in small shops and hobbyists. Perhaps we can have him again in the near future, or perhaps another Saturday workshop?

## SARATOGA SIGN UP

It's that time of year--our annual trip to the Northeastern Woodworking Association's annual show. We will be going up Saturday April 5th. As always, we will be renting a coach bus, and stopping for breakfast on the way up, and dinner on the way back. The cost for the trip is \$40, which includes admission, but not meals. To sign up, contact Daryl Rosenblatt (at the meeting or via email at [DarylRos@aol.com](mailto:DarylRos@aol.com)).



**Photos of the Turners' Guild meeting**





## LISA Minutes

*Rolf Beuttenmuller*

January 17, 2008

This was our show and tell meeting. It gave us the opportunity to show off our new toys (tools) that we have acquired over the holidays or old tools that we thought might be of interest to the rest of the scrollers.

We did a survey of what scroll saws our members own. It was quite a cross section of brands and price ranges which proves that you don't have to spend a fortune on a scroll saw to have fun with it and do excellent work. I never realized how many bottom feeders we have in our club.

The highest percentage of High end saw users preferred the Hegner, next most popular was the RBI Hawk. From there we got to Delta, Craftsman, Dewalt.

One of the nice things about the scrolling SIG is that people can try different saws to see what will suit their needs before they buy one.

There are always open discussions going on regarding cutting techniques, types of blades, etc. These discussions are for **ALL** levels of scrollers. We don't always have saws at our meetings but if anyone has a specific question or problem either with their saw or with a particular cut or material feel free to bring it to our meetings and I am sure one of our wizards will be able to help you out.

Joe Pascucci brought in a re-saw fixture he had built that

incorporated two very powerful magnetic switches (available from Bob Urso) that are used to hold it to the saw table. We expect a full report from Joe on how it worked.

Charlie Felsen brought in a bunch of plastic material to share with us. It will be interesting to see what projects our members make with it. I know of at least one pen that was turned from a lamination. Thank you Charlie.

Show and tell:

Richard Zimmerman brought in the beginnings of a compound cut votive holder. The pattern is available in the Spring 2008 issue of Scroll saw Woodworking and Crafts.



Paul Harrigan

Joseph Passalacqua brought in a project that shows how he combines his scrolling and carving skills (WOW). He had three pieces that demonstrate the various stages of his project. First it is a simple bevel cut to raise the horse's head from the background. He then sketches the details he wants to carve and finally a finished version.

Paul Harrigan brought in an example of the toys he makes for his grandchildren. You can see from the pictures that they are some Lucky kids!

The club meets the third Thursday of every month. Next meeting is February 21, which will cover picture frames. A discussion on how to make picture frames, different design ideas, type of wood, finishing.



LISA photos: page 6: Paul Harrigan  
This page: Top: Joe Passalacqua  
Left: Joe showing resaw jig  
Bottom: see caption



## Safety First

To quote Marc Adams, 'If your push stick does not have at least one nick or cut in it, you're not using it enough.' Here's a full sized pattern of my favorite push stick that I use with my table saw. I make one out of 1/4" plywood, 1/2" plywood and 3/4" plywood.

When the bottom gets chewed up, I cut off the 'bottom' and glue on a new piece of wood.

I use a 1 1/8" forstner bit for the 'ends' of the hand-grip and a rasp and sandpaper to round off the handle area to form a comfortable grip.

SawdustSteve

*Full Size Pattern*

*SawdustSteve*

At the end of the day, you should have the same number of fingers you started with.

Sent courtesy of Steve Eckers



**At the February meeting, closeups of Dennis Taddeo's custom made router table.**



## The Marketplace

Laser etched photos on wood.

Woodworking Schedule for 2007 visit: <http://homepage.mac.com/walterc530/>

4/4 Spalted Beech lumber for sale. Most 9" and wider 8' long, with great figure. [http://www.righteouswoods.net/Beech\\_European\\_Spalted.html](http://www.righteouswoods.net/Beech_European_Spalted.html) is selling it for \$14.20 a board foot, I am asking \$7 a bf for quantities less than 50 bf, \$5.50 for quantities over. Powermatic 719A Hollow Chisel Mortiser with 4 chisels and mobile base. Great condition, works like a champ. Asking \$595, about \$950 for all this new, save money and get a great tool.  
**Bill at [wmarr@optonline.net](mailto:wmarr@optonline.net), or 631 312 6617**

Performax 25 x 2 Dual Drum Sander with Power Feed; 5 hp 220 V Leeson Motor. Machine has "low mileage"

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