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Meetings:

3rd Thursday of the Month
At 7 p.m.

Broad Street Baptist Church
3809 West Broad Street,
Tampa, FL

Annual tool auction & picnic

June 3, 2006 (Sat) 9:30 am
W. Broad St Baptist Church
3809 West Broad St, Tampa

Have you paid your dues? Paid UP Members getting Better. We now have 84 paid = 80%. Getting closer to 105

WOODCRAFTERS CLUB OF TAMPA, INC.

Meeting Minutes, April 20, 2006

The April meeting of the Woodcrafters Club of Tampa was called to order by President Joe Jennings, in Almand Hall of the Broad Street Baptist Church at 7:00 pm with 44 members and guests in attendance.

First time visitors were Lloyd Klusman , Lois Conner and Steve Caman .



The minutes for the March 16th meeting were accepted and approved as published in the April 2006 Bluechipper. The treasurer's report as filed by Treasurer Bill Smith was also approved reporting a current balance of \$2499.40.

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Treasurers Report:

Old Balance	\$ 2499.40
Income	138.00
Expenses	110.55
New Balance	\$ 2526.85

Old Business, New Business

Negative response.

Toy Committee

Reporting for the Toy Committee, Mark Kimball stated that toy car wheels were again available at this meeting. Toy production currently stands at 680 cars, 17 puzzles, 9 cribs plus a few miscellaneous toys. Shorty Powell noted that he had a source willing to donate some plastic toys but he was questioning the appropriateness of a woodworking club providing toys created from other-than-wood. The membership agreed that this should not be an issue come December when the need for toys is great.

HCC Classes

Don Avery reported that the new woodcrafters class at HCC that started on Sat. March 25th drew a turnout of zero. As a result, Don advised that the next class be scheduled for Sat. July 8th. The fee would be \$45 for the 18 hours total class time (i.e. 3 hrs per week for six weeks).

Auction

Vern Blackadar announced that the spring auction for our club was set for Saturday, June 3. The sale is to commence at 9:30 am on the grounds of the Broad Street Baptist Church. This year for the first time, the auction is to be made open to sellers and buyers outside of our club in lieu of the members-only practice that we have adhered to in the past. Auctioneer Bob Fritzsche advises that the sale will be on a cash only basis and that he already is seeing "lots of beautiful things" that will be up for sale.

Buy, Sell & Trade

- Robert Fritzsche mentioned that Bill Barnes of Tarpon Springs (727-784-6157) was offering for sale his Craftsman 10" bench lathe of the late '40s era. Along with the lathe go seven chisels, still in the box. No reasonable offer refused.
- Bob also mentioned that he wants to sell his own 20" DeWalt Model DL788 Type 1 Scroll Saw. The asking price is \$250.

Show and Tell

Angel Ranon demonstrated the use of a hand-operated Stanley No. 77 Dowel Maker, which is capable of producing nine different sizes of dowels.



Jim Smith showed off an urn-like circular container that he had created from one construction-grade 2x4.



Don Avery displayed several cocktail servers that he had crafted from Coco Bolo and Zircote.



Jim Williams and Elizabeth drew attention to their scroll-sawn vases, which were later offered as door prizes.



Archie Bowyer showed off his scroll-sawn version of a motorcyclist doing a wheelie.



Jeff Sukup displayed some samples of tropical woods that he had brought back from a recent trip to Peru. His largest sample was a piece of roof bean of Pisco wood, which is very hard. The yellow sample that he displayed was a piece of Mashonaste. His smallest sample was a piece of Quinilla, very termite proof and often used for fence posts.



Other 2X4 contestants



Glenn PLOECKELMANN and his turning



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Angel promoting 2x4 contest

Tom Soyke brought it to the attention of the membership that some clarification was needed for one of the jigs that he used during his presentation at the March '06 meeting. It was pointed out that the dowels serving as bridges in the jig were all 1 1/8 in. in length. All other dowels were 1 in. in length.

Auction

A brief auction was conducted by Bob Fritzsche, in which a number of beveled glass plates were sold, the high bidder being Buddy Blain. In addition, two "Pineapple" finials and two regular finials were sold; the high bidder for these was Tom Soyke.

50-50 Drawing

Following a short refreshment break, the 50-50 drawing was held with the winner being Joan Ochoa.

PROGRAM

Scheduled to speak for the April program was Larry Jenkins of the Vermont-American Co. who had planned to discuss features of saw blades such as those made by the Forrest Company. Attempts to communicate by Larry to the club and vice versa were made but bad communications prevailed.

Consequently, program planners decided to have the membership break up into six groups of folks who do not normally sit together and discuss shop issues or other interests of the day and get better acquainted in the process.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
D.R. Core

The Rest of the Story

After communication was established on the following day, here is what happened. It seems that Larry Jenkins, who is a rep for Vermont-American of Auburn, Alabama, was traveling in Florida and had been slated to speak before a group in Sarasota in the early afternoon of Thursday, April 27. Following his appearance in Sarasota, Larry left for Tampa in his Hertz rental car planning to arrive at the Broad Street Baptist Church in time to meet with our club.

Somewhere in the journey, he chanced to run through a sea of spilled nails. With numerous flat tires and being in a cell phone dead spot to boot Larry was in a difficult situation.

Now you know.



ANNUAL TOOL AUCTION AND PICNIC

Reminder about the tool auction and picnic scheduled June 3, 2006 (Sat) at 9:30 am at the West Broad Street Baptist Church, 3809 West Broad St Tampa.

Bob Fritzsche will be our auctioneer.
Watch for more information!

PUBLICATION

This publication is produced monthly for the members of the Woodcrafters Club of Tampa, Inc. Circulation is approximately 150. Subscription is included with membership in the Woodcrafters Club of Tampa.

Articles submitted for publication should be mailed to the editor. Articles received by the first of the month will be published in that month's issue.

Membership dues COUNT = 106

Dues are due now

You may pay by cash or check at the January meeting or mail check to the treasurer at 4402 Henderson Blvd. Tampa 33629.

Please make this job as treasurer easy for me and pay now. The quicker all pay. The quicker the 2006 roster will be printed.

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CHEWING THE BACON

Club members informally meet every Tuesday roughly between 7-8 a.m. at Jimbo's Bar-B-Que on West Kennedy Blvd. Located one block east of Lois Avenue, to swap ideas and stories (some of which may actually be true) and have a good time. All are invited. Typically, between 12-20 members attend.

~~~~~ BUSINESS ADS AVAILABLE

To help offset the costs of publishing the Bluechipper each month, businesses are welcome to advertise in the Club's monthly newsletter. The business card size ads are \$50 per year. Club members are encouraged to mention their availability to their local hardware store, lumberyard, or wherever they get their supplies.

For more information, please call Bill Smith 813-837-4533

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Taylor Craft Studio  
611 W. Indiana Ave., south of ML King, East of North Blvd.  
Phone #813-274-8364.  
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NEW

RENEWAL

Please mail dues to Bill Smith 4402 HENDERSON BLVD, Tampa, FL 33629

Renewing members \$25.00 Due by first of the year

- New members joining January – June \$25.00
- July –September \$12.50 will cover you for the rest of the calendar year
- October – December \$25.00 will cover you for rest of the year and all of next year.