



# The Bluechipper

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Meetings:

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the Month  
At 7 p.m.  
**Broad Street Baptist Church**  
3809 West Broad Street,  
Tampa, FL

Annual Banquet  
October 21  
More details to come...

Next Meeting  
Thursday  
July 20

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Treasurers Report:

Old Balance	\$ 2495.73
Income	30.00
Expenses	254.61
New Balance	\$ 2271.93

Plan to attend the July meeting of the Woodcrafter's Club of Tampa.

An interesting program is planned which will feature Jeff Frazier, a woodcarver, recently seen on PBS, who has produced some unusual projects.

WOODCRAFTERS CLUB OF TAMPA, INC.  
Meeting Minutes, June 15, 2006

The June 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 7:05 pm with 39 members and guests in attendance. The minutes for the May 18th meeting were accepted and approved as published in the June 2006 Bluechipper. Treasurer Bill Smith who was unable to attend the meeting sent in an in-absentia treasurer's report. The Secretary, Del Core, who reported a current balance of \$2526.85, read this.

Old Business, New Business

Old Business - - In reporting the results of the May 2x4 contest in the June Bluechipper, no reference was made to the prizes won by the top vote getters. A belated word of thanks should go out to Bob Sneed for his efforts in making available the Rigid R-2610 Random Orbit sander and the other first-rate Rigid tools that went to the winners in the contest.

Auction

Vern Blackadar reported that the auction of June 3<sup>rd</sup> grossed about \$1400.

Sources

Vern Blackadar showed a special clamp that he has found very useful in making picture frames and boxes. This clamp is produced by Cord Clamp and sells for about \$14.00. If interested in the purchase of one, contact Vern for the 800 number.

Buy, Sell and Trade

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- Delta band saw 14" with riser block and tension release \$300.00
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Grover Good mentioned that he had a contact that had a 10" table saw with a burned-out motor and was offering to give it away for the hauling.

Show and Tell

Tom Soyke brought along a white cabinet that he had produced for his daughter.



Tom pointed out for the membership a number of enhancements that he had engineered into the resulting product.

Archie Bowyer showed off four examples of scroll-sawn watch stands, all of which were based on motorcycles performing tricks.



Tom Whittington demonstrated a wooden pistol version of a sling shot which fired off a succession of bright orange Ping-Pong balls.



Bob Fritzsche brought along his award-winning 2x4 contest violin for the purpose of having the membership hear it being played by a capable violinist.



Vern Blackadar produced a small display case created of oak and finished with Deft in which the bleached skull of a Bengal Tiger was mounted.





Bob, "I don't believe that's my violin!"

Bob's friend, Mark Clement, also of the New Port Richey area who is both a talented musician and violinmaker, supplied this role.

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50/50 Drawing

Following a short refreshment break the 50/50 drawing was held with the winner being Dean Bunnell.

Program

The featured speaker of the evening was Pat Rasmussen, Vice President of Sales and Software Training, TIMBER TOOLS INC.



Timber Tools was created in 2005 and is based in Land O Lakes. The primary mission of the company is the care and feeding of woodworking machines for both the home hobbyist and small industries.

In keeping with the theme of Pat's talk, "The Care and Feeding of Power Tools", a number of useful tips were offered in ways to lengthen the useful life of power tools and to get better results when using them.

To list just a few, in dealing with power tools, people either tend to use not enough oil on the bearings or too much. It was suggested to go with one to two drops at the start of a run and to apply the same at the end of the job.

It was further suggested that when portable battery-operated tools were stored on a concrete floor, battery life could be reduced by about half.

Waxing the metal table decks of power tools is a great way to prevent rust and make the various woodworking operations more pleasurable.

A good tip in getting better motor life is to get in the practice of blowing out the dust in the windings and on the bearings with compressed air.

In addition, when it comes to the problem of whether to repair a tool or to replace it, it was suggested that when the repair cost approaches 50 % of the new tool cost, it would make sense to go with a new replacement tool.

Meeting adjournment came at 8:35 pm.  
Respectfully submitted,  
D.R. Core

Looking over my shoulder

If you entered your work in the 2 x 4 contest in May, you received a prize. These prizes were available because Bob Sneed , even though he was hundreds of miles away , went the extra mile to be sure that the members who made the extra effort received a token of appreciation .It is because of great members like Bob , that the Tampa Woodcrafters Club is a place where woodworkers of all skills can come together and enjoy each others experiences. THANKS BOB!

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Toy Committee Christmas Toys

We have a great start with over a 1000 toys made up of a good assortment. Cars, cribs, rocking chairs, puzzles. I cannot give you an accurate count since the toys are at the church and in my garage. If you need patterns, plans, wheels, or dowels give me a call. 286-0780, Mark Kimball.

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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.

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RENEWAL

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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.