



The Bluechipper

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September 2006

Meetings:

3rd 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
September 21

WOODCRAFTERS CLUB OF TAMPA, INC.

Meeting Minutes, August 17, 2006

The August 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 35 members and guests in attendance. The minutes for the July 20th meeting were accepted and approved as published in the August 2006 Bluechipper with the exception of the reference to last month's speaker as Jeff Frazier. This was incorrect. His name is Fraser Smith and we apologize for the error. Treasurer Bill Smith reported a July closing balance of \$2240.93.

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Treasurers Report:

Old Balance	\$ 2197.93
Income	59.50
Expenses	167.15
New Balance	\$ 2120.25

Old Business, New Business Negative response.

Toy Committee

Mark Kimball announced that toy production as of July stood at 145 cars and trucks plus 8 jewelry boxes. Members were urged to remember this need and continue in turning out wooden toys.

New Business

Betty Morris proposed that the club consider a money making project in which matching tee shirts with the club logo would be sold at such gatherings as the State Fair, HCC etc. No action taken at this time pending further discussion.

Video Committee

If anyone has borrowed a video on the use of the Porter cable dovetailing jig to please bring it to the next meeting. Joe Jennings reminded the membership that helpful club videos were available, renting at \$1 per month and that videotape librarian, Stacy Cash was on hand to administer the issuance of rental videos.

Sources Negative response

Buy, Sell, Trade & Give-Away

Ian Greig announced that he still had available a butcher block table for give away. Jeff Sukup indicated that he might be a contender for this item.

Show and Tell

Jim Smith showed off several jewelry boxes that he had crafted.



Mercy Trujillo showed off several decorated handbags that she had made.



Electronic Show and Tell

George Lott submitted an idea for the next 2x4 contest.



50/50 Drawing Following a short break the 50/50 drawing was held.

Fall Banquet

Members were reminded of the upcoming Woodcrafter banquet in October and the need to bring two woodcraft items, one for auction and one for a spousal gift.

PET Project Update

Jeff Sukup reported that 60 PET conveyances were ready for shipping to Ecuador. There is a need for an additional team member to accompany the shipment. Jim Williams noted that he had seen coverage of the PET project on the History Channel.

Program

The featured speaker for the evening was Vern Blackadar who demonstrated for the membership, some of his finishing methods on several of his jewelry boxes.



Included in this demonstration were tips on treating imperfections in exotic woods and achieving super smooth surfaces using mesh type sanding materials.



Meeting adjournment came at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted, D.R. Core

FURNITURE SHOW -- 2007

How time flies when we're having fun. Nevertheless, it flies anyway whether we're having fun or not. Here it is August already, and six months have passed by since our furniture show and there are **three** months to the entry deadline (December 15, 2006). We are just midway in the time span, which is an excellent point to seriously give some thought to what, could be made to enter the show. Unless there is a cut and dried answer, this question is one of the most difficult to find an answer to. Maybe you are like me, keep putting it off, hoping someone will come along who wants a nice piece made for them. That's risky because you could run out of time and you would supposedly have a legitimate excuse. It's almost like looking for reasons to not enter.

So if I have your attention now, let's put a different light on this. You could look at a lot of choices and pick out half a dozen that appeal to your skill level. Show these pictures or sketches to different acquaintances and ask them If you made that piece, would they reimburse you for your material? Of course, you would have to estimate that amount and they should be fully aware of that. However, you are not looking to come out to the penny, just ease the pain a little. Tell them why you are doing this and tell them that you are going to make a commitment to them and to yourself. Just do one piece of furniture this first year; next year, you can take on as many as you want. I would suggest that you approach your wife or girl friend about this. Go as far as accepting a deposit or down payment. If you don't get yourself tied to this project, it will never amount to a hill of beans.

I've been rummaging through the club's archives and came across a list of exhibitors and pieces displayed in 1992. There were 71 pieces. A good percentage of these came from our club. Let's talk to our woodworking friends and spread the word about this show. It seems to be one of the best-kept secrets in Florida.

Vernon Blackadar

Toy Committee Christmas Toys

Toys turned in at the August meeting: 150 cars, 8 jewelry boxes, 18 beach tote bags. Two months left to make toys.

I have a nice supply of white wood cutoffs from a construction site in my driveway for easy pickup. Also am glad to deliver or if you need patterns, plans, wheels, or dowels give me a call. 286-0780, Mark Kimball.

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## PUBLICATION

*Looking for old copies of newsletter: I have found newsletters back to #12 before it was called the Bluechipper. Does anyone have newsletters 1-11? Please contact Vernon Blackadar 813-689-2989*

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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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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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## Woodworking Shops

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Next meeting  
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## Membership Application/Renewal form

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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.