



The Bluechipper

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Meetings:

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

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

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Joan Ochoa
Treasurer

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE for April 2007

Hello All,

The 2 X 4 contest is just over a month away so it is time to stir up some sawdust. Get those projects ready for one of our most exciting events of the year. We need a prize committee and judges so I will be looking for volunteers. Remember that a regular construction grade 2 X 4 is the wood you need for your entry. The rest is up to your imagination. Rules will be posted in this month's Blue Chipper.

Also, I would like to remind those who have not paid their dues that the club expenses continue and the cost is \$25.00 for the year. Please see Joan Ochoa to get this settled.

Program suggestions and guest speakers are desperately needed! We still do not have a vice president or a functioning Program Committee. Please let me know if you are interested in presenting a topic or know someone who is available.

This month we will meet in individual groups to work on committee projects before the regular program. This is especially important for the 2X4 Contest and Program committees. Everyone in attendance should be involved in working on our action committees to make our club a greater success. This month's program will be about the contest. I would like you to bring in samples that you completed in the last few contests to give our newest members some ideas on what can be done.

Keep those tools humming! See you at our next meeting April 19th!
Douglas Packard

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Treasurers Report:

Old Balance	\$1684.26
Income	74.00
Expenses	30.00
New Balance	\$1728.26

WOODCRAFTERS CLUB OF TAMPA, INC.

Called to order @7:00 by Doug Packard.

Minutes read and approved

Members present-31 Guests- 0

Treas. gave report

Report on tool show: Mar. 23&24.

- Vice Pres. resigned. Vern outlined the duties of VP in order to interest someone to take position.
 - They were Liaison between committees. & Serve as moderator of meeting if Pres. not there.
 - Nominations called for, none presented, so tabled until next meeting.
- Vern reported on Furniture show at the Fair.
- Don reported on HCC class.
- Dell reported on Long Range Comm.
- Mark reported on Publicity Comm. and Toy Comm.
- Bob reported on Auction and 2x4 contest rules.
- Vern had a Radial Arm Saw for sale.

Adjourned at 9:00

New Business

Tool Auction at WBSBC social hall-June 2, 2007.

Since it is getting close to May and our 2x4 contest should be on our minds, I thought I would refresh everyone 's minds with the rules of the contest as printed in the Bluechipper of April 1990 So one more time for old times' sake

2" x 4" x 8' 0" COMPETITION

1. The item created must be made from a single, construction-grade 2x4x8'-0". You must use at least two thirds of the 2 x 4. (Must be pine, not hardwood.)
2. The item must be of original design.
3. Nails, screws, glue and dowels are permitted for assembly. If dowels are used, they must be made from the 2 x 4.

4. Hand or power tools of your choice may be used.

5. The item may be finished with a clear finish, stain, waxed or left unfinished. A combination of any of the above is permitted.

6. Decorative hardware is not permitted.

Functional hardware such as hinges, latches and bolts may be used.

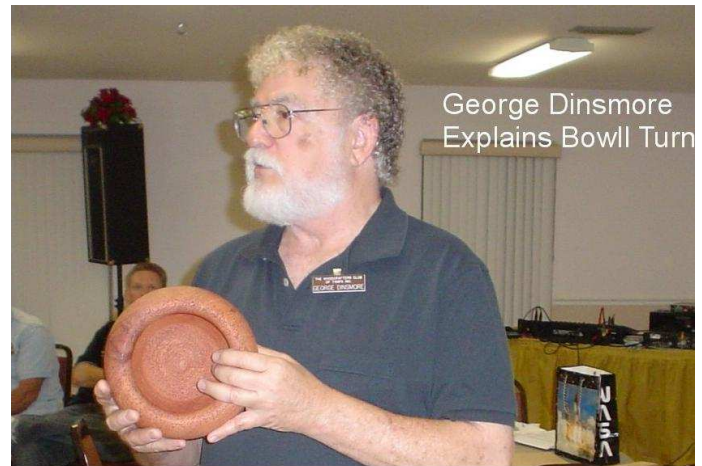
7. The item created may be useful or useless.

8. You must have fun.

9. You must bring completed 2 x 4 x 8 project to the May meeting.

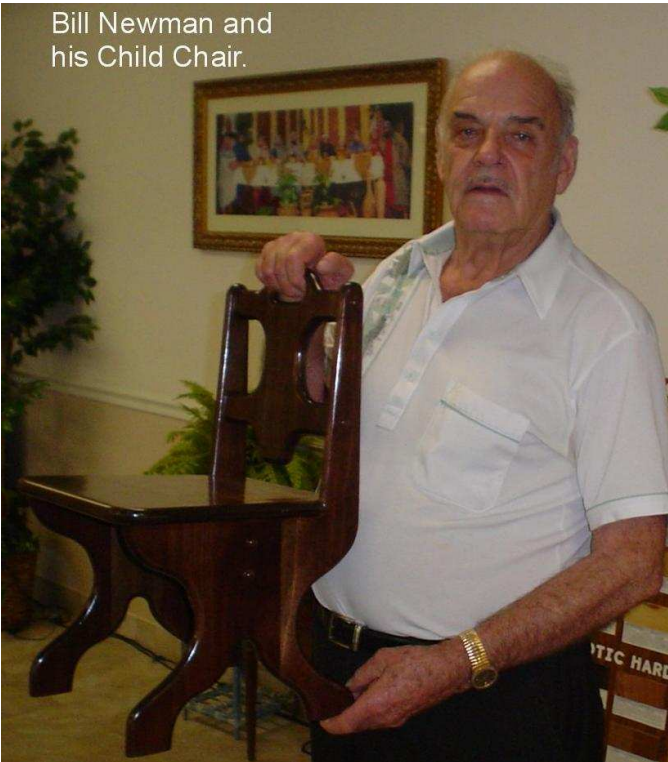
The items will be judged by your peers at the May meeting and prizes will be awarded. The purpose of this contest is to promote creativity with a 2 x 4, improve our woodworking skills, to enjoy the challenge and, above all, to have some fun.

~~~~~ Show and Tell





Vern Blackadar's Jewelry Box



Bill Newman and his Child Chair.



Doug Packard's Wood Display Panel

Doug presented a demonstration of different kind of woods, and how each kind can best be used

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EDITORIAL

I would like to know what People think about suitable charities, clubs, schools etc. for donating tools, power equipment, etc. that would be put to good use. For instance the Salvation Army would take it for sure but then they would quickly auction it off to Brazil or God knows who and stick the cash in their pocket. I hate garage sales, borrowers who never return items or break & ruin tools also called moochers. When I am gone I would sure hate to have all My stuff thrown in a dumpster or worse. In My whole life I would never borrow tools and I sure did not like to lend them. As far as I know there is no way to take them with Me. I have spent My whole life working as a tool designer, so that is probably why I feel this way about things.

George Lott

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PUBLICATION

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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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Next Meeting  
April 19<sup>th</sup>

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- 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.