



The Bluechipper

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September 2008

Meetings:

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

September program:
continuation of "joints"

Next meeting
September 18th

WORDS FROM THE PRES:

September already, my, how time flies. We're going into Fall soon and activities begin to come in bunches. Our attendance through the summer has held up well. There were 33 signed in for our August meeting, members and guests.

Tom Soyke brought us a good demo on basic mortise and tenon techniques. He made it look so easy. September meeting will be a continuation of "joints". Thanks Tom, good job.

New member, Ken Mattis again brought a truckload of hardwood cut-offs. That should supply us all with material for another project. Thanks Ken.

Thanks to all who brought in an item for "show and tell", especially the member who brought a beautiful panel of a piece he's working on for the fair. He wouldn't tell us what it's going to be. Hmm, I wonder.....I guess we'll find out in February. Keep those show and tells coming in. If you're thinking of entering a piece into the fair, now is the time to get started on it.

Jim Smith gave us a talk about protecting our lungs and airways from damaging dust and fumes. He said to use dust masks and /or respirators when called for, or suffer the consequences. Ask him about it. Thanks Jim for the warning, and I'll keep you in my thoughts and prayers

The "going for the green" challenge is coming up in November. Rules are easy: Your item must be crafted from recycled materials. The wood used must have been used before for something else: i.e.: table legs, or fence post, window sill, or church pew, etc. You get the idea. All metal, glass, etc. must be recycled. Get those creative juices flowing, go dump picking, dumpster diving or whatever it takes to get your materials. It's fun, get in the spirit.

Our annual banquet is set for October 18. Put it on your calendar. More on that later.

Next meeting is September 18th, 7PM. Be there and bring a friend.

Happy crafting,
Betty Morris.Pres.

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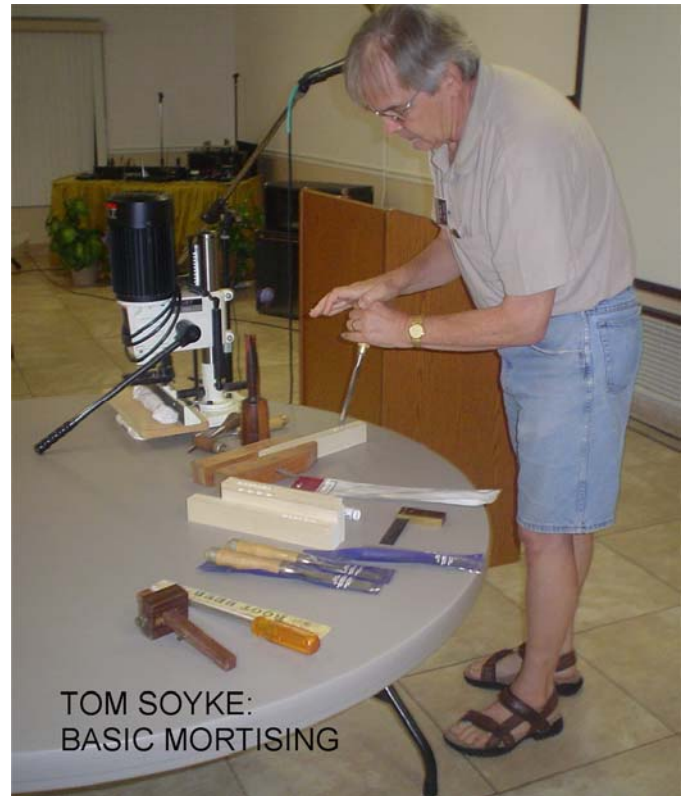
WOODCRAFTERS CLUB OF TAMPA, INC.

Minutes for August 21st.

By Barbara Packard

- Betty Morris opened the meeting with introducing the visitors and members that have not attended in awhile. The she announced that the minutes and other reports would be in the BlueChipper monthly and in our meetings we will just motion to accept them as printed.
- Tom Soyke then asked that we reserve the parking space close to the front door for the person doing the presentation each month so that they will be able to unload their items easier. He also asked if anyone had an old shop vacuum that they would be willing to donate to make cleaning up after a presentation easier. Tom also announced that Bob, our auctioneer, is in intensive care due to lung cancer and cards should be sent instead of visits or phone calls. Mercy Trujillo mentioned that the Earl Carter family should get a sympathy card.
- Our dinner banquet will be held on Saturday, October 18th at West Broad St. Baptist Church.
- The next H.C.C. class will start on September 20th. It is a six week course for \$55.
- Tom Wittington asked that toys be brought over by the storage area.
- Mercy Trujillo needs little sewing kits to with one of the toys she is making for the program.
- Tom Soyke has clamps to sell for \$20. Jim Smith has a planer to sell.
- Bill Newman won \$35 in the raffle. Betty then picked numbers from the remaining raffle tickets to give a tool belt away and pieces of wood.
- Tom Soyke did a demonstration of three ways to do mortising. he also mentioned that Scott

Boss will be the judge at the Fair coming up and he loves finishes.



I know a guy who compliments his fellow woodworkers by declaring, "boy, you do miter fine work".

The PET PROJECT:
(P E T = Personal energy transportation)
Submitted by Betty Morris

A PET is a hand operated wheeled chair to provide mobility for those in other countries who have lost the use of their legs due to polio or landmine injury, birth defects, amputation, etc.

There is a local workshop where some of our woodcrafters volunteer their time and expertise in the construction of the PETS.

Your help is needed there to saw, sand and paint. Also, welders are needed. If you have time to participate in this very worthwhile project, it will be appreciated and you will be blessed.

The PET PROJECT Workshop hours:
Thursdays 1:30 to 4:30
Saturdays 9AM to 3PM.
Location: Faith Baptist Church
1109 E. Osborne Ave., Tampa 33603
Website: www.tampapet.com

CHRISTMAS TOYS

We have lots of wood for toy making. Just picked up more white wood cut offs from a construction site. Let's make toys and also get this wood out of my garage. We have wood, toys, wheels, dowels, and patterns in our club storage room and at my house. Give me a call if you need any of these. Mark, 813-286-0780

Did you miss the Thank You letter from earlier this year? Please see enclosed.

From the Webmaster: Richard Stewart
<http://www.tampawoodcrafters.org>
The updated roster is now linked to our home page at bottom left of page. See your email notification for the password. This password works with all browsers that I know of except the Internet Explorer Browser. I know that many of you may be using the Internet Explorer Browser and I am trying to get code to work with it. Until then, I recommend the Firefox browser as an alternate for browsing the Internet. You can download this at <http://www.mozilla.com/en-US/firefox/> Have a great day! Richard Stewart

WOODWORKING COURSE

The Woodcrafters Club of Tampa offers a continuing education woodworking course at the Dale Mabry Campus of Hillsborough Community College. It is in a state of the art shop for both beginners and skilled. Students work on a project of their choice with instruction on power and hand tools. The class meets on six Saturday mornings from nine to twelve. The next course starts Saturday, September 20th. The cost is \$55 for 18 hours. Call 813-286-0780

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The editor then sends the email members a notification that the newsletter is ready. Hard copies of the Bluechipper are mailed usually by the Saturday before the meeting.

If you have not received your newsletter by mail, please call Lyda Brown at (813) 943-7988. Please send roster corrections to Joan Ochoa 6210 Sheldon Rd. #3001, Tampa, FL. 33615

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.

FROM THE EDITOR ~ Lyda Brown

The editor can be reached at cell 813-943-7988, e-mail LydaBRose@gmail.com or snail mail 4023 Robinson Rd., Valrico, FL 33594

CLUB VIDEO LIBRARY

There are almost 200 videos to choose from. Rental is \$1.00 per month

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

Woodworking Shops

The following is a list of shops that are available in your area to use if you do not have a shop of your own.

HCC Shop at the Dale Mabry Campus, Tech.

Building, Room 135. Saturdays 9 a.m. to Noon. \$45 for six 3-hour classes. Phone 253-7980 for application. Club members \$7 per session to use shop. If you work as a class assistant after doing your work, you can use the shop free.

Taylor Craft Studio

611 W. Indiana Ave., south of ML King, East of North Blvd. Phone #813-274-8364. Wednesday 12-3. \$1.50 per week, plus material fee.

MacDill Air Force Base

(Retired or active military with ID) 8223 Hangar Loop Dr. Phone #813-828-2093. Tues/Thurs 12-8, Wed/Fri. 10-6, Sat 10-5. \$2.00 per hour plus material

West Broad Street Baptist Church
3809 W. Broad Street
Tampa, FL 33614

Phone: (813) 886-4022
Fax: (813) 886-1424

December 26, 2007

The Woodcrafters Club of Tampa
P.O. Box 18874
Tampa, FL 33679
ATTN: Douglas Packard, President

RE: Toy Donation

Dear Woodcrafters:

Thank you for your donation of “handmade” cars and puzzles. Your club’s “labor of love” is greatly appreciated.

The items were placed, along with some other goodies, in Christmas stockings and presented to children by Santa. The recipients will enjoy your talent for years.

Thank you for your generosity,

West Broad Street Baptist Church

Dear Woodcrafers,

Thank you for the wooden cars. They are really great.

I like the wooden wheels and the round windows. I will play

with my car everyday your friend

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Membership Application/Renewal form

Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Address: _____ Phone Hm#: _____

E-mail address: _____ Wk#: _____

Do you wish to receive The Bluechipper by e-mail? _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

NEW

RENEWAL

Please mail dues to Joan Ochoa 6210 Sheldon Rd. #3001, Tampa, FL. 33615

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.