



<p><u>Regular Meetings</u> 3rd Thursday of the Month At 7 p.m. Broad Street Baptist Church 3809 West Broad Street, Tampa, FL</p>	<p>Next Meeting August 20</p>	<p>This Month's Meeting Features The Green Projects Of Members</p>
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well here it is August already... have you started a project for the state fair? Having started early has given me the luxury of having the time to try new things. So far I have stretched a board, made another board thicker, and used what I thought was an original new and easier way to make blind dovetails on a drawer front. I was so pleased with the results of a TEST drawer, I took it to Woodcraft to show my coworkers. One was not impressed and stated "That's not original, I saw that method covered in a DVD 'Advanced Dovetails' by Rob Cosman! (Oh well, at least Cosman called it 'Advanced') Considering that woodworking has been around for thousands of years, it's almost impossible to come up with a truly original idea. I'm still happy though since it was original to me!

This brings to mind another subject. Have you noticed during our meetings when I occasionally ask 'are there any woodworking questions'? To the best of my recollection, I can't recall a single response. Although the results have been zero, it would be a mistake to eliminate that session. Instead I am starting a session called 'TIPS'. This would be an active way of disseminating knowledge without the need of a question. Sort of 'force feeding' the woodworker patient! This could possibly awaken the 'question' session. TIPS is not meant to replace or compete with the monthly 'program' so lets start it off with these basic guidelines: 1. Open to everyone 2. Presenters are limited to one tip per month 3. Like 'Show n' Tell' pre registration is not required 4. Hold your tip down to 50,000 words or two minutes, which ever comes first. I will present a tip to kick off the session this month but feel free to join in!

Cheers,
Tom

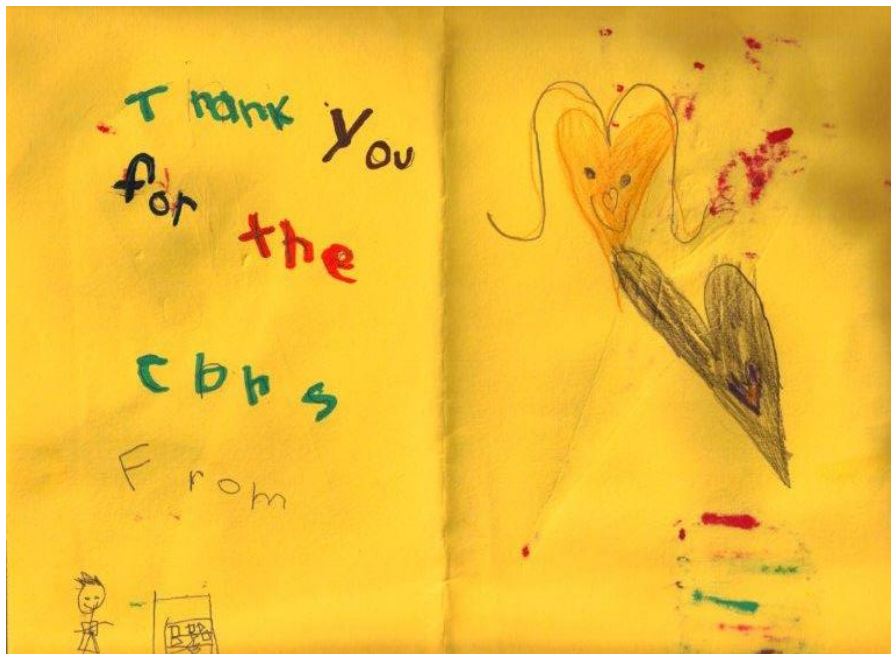
AUGUST MEETING AGENDA

This upcoming meeting is your chance to show off what you have done regarding a green project in your shop (using leftover or recycled material). Tom Whittington, our vice president, will be bringing his map of the area showing the location of our members and will ask that we find out who in the club lives close by. Let's try to get to know each other better and how we can help new members learn from the experienced members.

OUR TOY PROGRAM

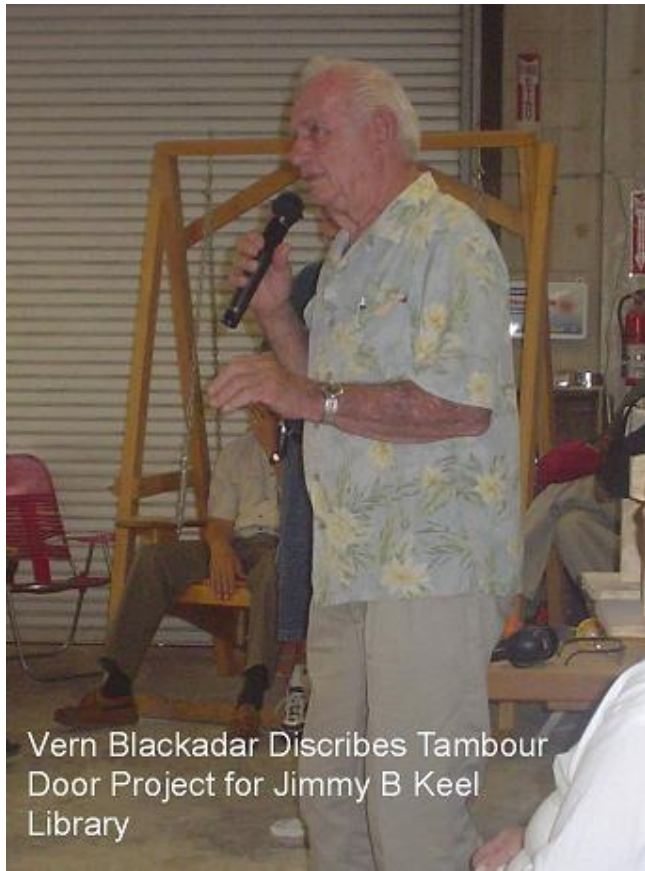
Mark Kimball has sent us the results for our 2008 toy program. Here they are: Toys Delivered: 2450, Toys Made: 2500 plus, Charities Served: 17.

We hope the following thank you from one of the children will be an inspiration for members to make whatever toys they can for the upcoming season.



Wheels, axles, patterns, and wood are available at the meeting or Mark Kimball's home. 813-286-0780.

PICTURES FROM OUR JULY MEETING AT JOHN CAMPBELL'S SHOP



Vern Blackadar Discribes Tambour Door Project for Jimmy B Keel Library



Crape Myrtle Walking Sticks Produced by Vet Made Industries

The workshop of Vetmade Industries is operated by Black Bear Woodworking, Inc. Housed in a 2500 SF high-bay warehouse at 1517 West Cypress St in West Tampa, FL 33606, Vetmade employees learn the craft of woodworking, along with production of quality furniture. In order to make the shop "liveable" in the blazing Tampa Summer heat, we installed a 5-ton air-conditioning unit; which not only keeps the temperature comfortable, but also keeps the relative humidity at a level suitable for storage of wood. Most of machinery is old and was carried around the world by the director John Campbell during his Army career. The short-term goal of Vetmade is to upgrade machines and add an additional furniture production line.



Special Note:

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Hard copies of the Bluechipper are usually mailed by the Saturday before the meeting. If you have not received your newsletter by mail, please call Richard Stewart at (610) 202-1883. Roster corrections are also accepted by Richard.

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 ~ Richard Stewart, the editor, can be reached at cell 610 202-1883, cellarius@gmail.com or snail mail at 3023 W Napoleon Ave, Tampa, Fl 33611

CLUB VIDEO LIBRARY

There are almost 200 videos to choose from. Rental is \$1.00 per month. The titles can be seen on our website.

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 Tom Whittington (813) 406-8418

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.

1. HCC Shop at the Dale Mabry Campus, Tech. Building, Room 135. Saturdays 9 a.m. to Noon. \$55 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.
2. 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.
3. MacDill Air Force Base (Retired or active military with ID) 8223 Hangar Loop Dr. Phone (813) 828-2093.

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Membership Application/Renewal form

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Address: _____ Phone Hm#: _____

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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.

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August 20