



The Bluechipper

Regular Meetings

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

Next Meeting:
February 18

SEE REVIEW OF NEXT
MONTH'S TOOL SHOW

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

How time does fly: Seems like only yeasterday when we were planning for the State Fair! Today it is half way over. Our Club members had many successes and took many ribbons. Most prominent was Tom Soyke's Best of Class and Best of Show for the China cabinet he built. Vernon Blackadar had several boxes with ribbons and Mercy Trijilo had a Blue Ribbon Quilt. Kirk Moss's table got a lot of attention and admiration. Gil Samreny's Library ladder did not rank nearly as highly as I had expected.

I'm sure others of you had projects that I missed so please tell us about them at next meeting. Oh; by the way, others from other clubs also had ribbons on their projects too!

Recruitment was my biggest goal and those of you working at the same time as me know that I was out-front talking constantly to potential members. This is what is required if we are to keep our club growing. Making toys in the booth is great and I do appreciate all who participated. Without explanation as to what and why we are doing, it does little to entice new members! But the sheer noise of the tools running in that echo chamber sure draws a crowd.

Don't forget to bring in Something you have made in the past month for Show & Tell! Gift certificates for \$10.00 each from Craftsman Supply & Woodcraft will be drawn for. Some members have expressed interest in adding back the \$10.00 cash awards. We will be voting on that issue next Thursday night. Seems some of us don't visit any of our sponsers to spend their winnings. Give those gift cards to friends or trade them for other stuff from your friends!

Try and bring a friend or neighbor to each meeting. Carry Club Cards with you and invite strangers you meet in lumber and hardware stores.

They may become club members & friends. We all need to be Club recruiters or over the next ten years this club could die off with our Older Members. My quick survey last meeting said we average 77 years old with 44 years woodworking. Keep that Sawdust flying! Tom Whittington
777-9295

HEADS UP ON UPCOMING EVENTS:

**The Woodworking Show
Mar 19 to 21
Florida State Fairgrounds
4800 N US Highway 301
Tampa, FL 33610**

THIS IS ONE OF THE BIG EVENTS OF THE YEAR AND WE CAN USE VOLUNTEERS AT OUR BOOTH. MANY PEOPLE WILL BE SHOWING UP AT THIS SHOW AND VISIT US. LET'S INTRODUCE AS MANY AS WE CAN TO OUR CLUB.

SEE PAGE 3 FOR LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

PICTURES FROM OUR JANUARY MEETING:



Outgoing President Soyke Passes the Gavel to Incoming President Whittington



George Trujillo Adjusts His Scroll-Sawn Tulip-Motif Table Lamp



V. Pres J.D. Holbert Showing Off A Pine Box Construction Idea



Tom Cassidy Shows One of His Ambrosia Maple Stools

Charlie Mount passes away

For those of you who have been members of this club for awhile you will be sad to know that Charlie Mount passed away on January 21, 2010. He was living with his son-in-law and daughter, Ron and Cindy Seymour. They reside at 1045 Pineville Road, Chattanooga, TN 37405.

AGENDA FOR FEBRUARY MEETING:

To encourage members to participate in our toy program, we will present "TOYS 101" summarized in the following steps:

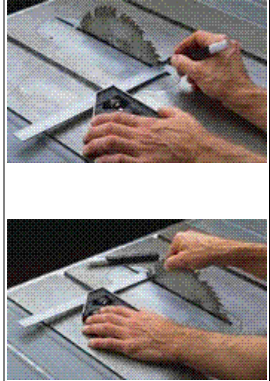
1. Selection of lumber .. J.D. Holbert
2. Marking out the designs.. Ira Silverman
3. Band Sawing the Parts ...Roger Mullins
4. Hole Drilling ... Richard Stewart
5. Routing and Sanding....Tom Whitt
6. Painting & Decorating...Bill Stoy

SOME HIGHLIGHTS ON THE TOOL SHOW NEXT MONTH

This is a great show. A partial list of participants follows:

1. Apollo Sprayers
2. Bad Dog Tools
3. Final Cut Blade
4. Freud
5. Grex Power Tools
6. In-Line Industries
7. JLT Industries
8. Just Clamps
9. Kreg Tool Co.
10. Lee Valley & Veritas
11. Peachtree Woodworking Supply
12. Ridge Carbide Tool
13. Starrett
14. PARTICIPATING CLUBS & GUILDS
 - AAW Collective
 - Brandon Woodworking Club
 - Florida West Coast Woodworkers Club
 - St. Petersburg Woodcrafters Guild
 - Woodcrafters Club of Tampa

TIP OF THE MONTH :

<p>Checking Table Saw Blade Alignment</p> <p>To get an accurate crosscut on the table saw, miter gauge slots. A quick way to check this is to use a combination square and a marker, see top photo.</p> <p>If your blade isn't parallel to the miter gauge slots, the table saw trunnion needs to be adjusted. (The trunnion is the assembly that holds the saw's arbor to the underside of the saw table.) Normally, all you need to do is loosen the bolts that hold the trunnion and tap the trunnion in the direction needed.</p> <p>Mark Tooth To check that your blade is parallel with the miter gauge slot, first mark a tooth. Then place a square in the slot and adjust it so the end of the square just touches the side of the marked tooth.</p> <p>Rotate Saw Blade Next, slide the square and rotate the blade backward until the marked tooth aligns with the square. If the square just touches the side of the tooth, the slot and the blade are aligned.</p>	
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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. \$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.
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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OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE WOODCRAFTER'S CLUB OF TAMPA, INC.

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: Betty Morris, 7215 Turnmore Dr., Tampa, FL 33634

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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