



The DoveTale

November 2002

Officers of Woodworkers of SE Texas

President	Cliff McLean, 727-6287
President elect	Waid Gauthier, 735-8392
Secretary	Laura Seelen, 962-7224
Treasurer	Howard Hartman, 835-0564
Newsletter	Richard Hicks, 982-5226
Shows	Rod Ruppel, 898-7041
CP Project	Dean Partridge, 722-7647
Toy Project	Bob & Laura Seelen, 962-7224
Programs	to be appointed
Purchases	Jerry Shivers, 794-2274
Membership	Richard Hicks, 982-5226

Members:	76	Present:	28	Visitors:	5
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[Our Next Meeting will be January 27th](#)

[At Acadian Cypress and Hardwoods](#)

[November 25th Meeting](#)

Our President, Cliff McLean, called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

[Election of Officers:](#)

Rod Ruppel asked that his name be removed from consideration and nominated Ray Ward for President-Elect. Howard Hartman was nominated for Treasurer. Cliff McLean removed Joel's name from consideration and nominated Richard Hicks for Secretary. All nominees were unanimously elected. Waid Gauthier, currently President-Elect, will be our new President. He, and the newly elected officers, will assume their duties in January 2003. A big 'THANK YOU' to our 2002 officers and committee members whose hard work made this a very good year for our club.

[Club Web Site:](#)

Several members asked the status of our club web site. After some discussion, Bill Chanley made a motion that "We authorize a club web site at an annual cost Not to Exceed \$175". Woody Willett seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Hopefully we will have the site up and running by the January 2003 meeting. If you have suggestions for the site or can help us get the site

running, contact Steve Daigre (892-4259) or one of the club officers. Any help will be appreciated.

[Houston Woodworking Show:](#)

Rod Ruppel, this year's Show Chairman, reported that the company that puts on the Woodworking Show in Houston contacted him to see if the club would like to participate again this year. Their 2003 show will be March 28th - 30th. The members discussed it and everyone was in favor of participating. Cliff asked Rod to contact the show people and tell them we would participate.

[Christmas Toy Project:](#)

Our club members made about 1,000 toys this year. A little short of our record production last year, but each one will bring a smile to some unfortunate child. Special thanks to Bob Seelen, this year's toy chairman, and Lew Laurent who did such a terrific job filling in for Bob during his illness. Thanks also to our club members who donated their time and efforts making the toys. If you have some ideas for next years toys, please share them and, by the way, it's certainly no too early to start making toys for 2003. Contact Lew for materials.

[Dues for 2003:](#)

Our dues are for a calendar year. They are due in January and considered 'past-due' in March. A final roster is published after the March meeting. I've enclosed a membership

renewal card with the newsletter and it sure would help me out if you would renew by mail. It gets pretty hectic when 15 or 20 people pay their dues at the same time at the meeting. If you've already renewed for 2003 and you got a renewal card in your newsletter, please contact me so I can get my records corrected.

Newsletter:

Electronic copies of our newsletter, notices and maps will soon be available on our club web site. Anyone with web access will be able to read it and I plan to send an e-mail notice to each member (that supplied an e-mail address) when the newsletter is complete. If you are willing to receive electronic copies, it will save the club a lot of money (and me some work). It currently costs the club about 60 cents for each newsletter and 35 cents for each notice.

I need to hear from each of you with your preference; electronic or paper copies of club information.

I've included a preference choice on the renewal notice or you can call or e-mail me.

Attendance:

We had a good turnout - 28 members and five visitors. Three of the visitors joined the club. Most of them heard about the club at Woodworker's Paradise. Please welcome the following new members:



Dave Mayer, from Beaumont, who makes cabinets and furniture and would like to learn more about all facets of

woodworking.



Jeffery Cook, from Beaumont, who's just started woodworking and is interested cabinet and furniture

construction as well as scroll sawing.



Joe Cochran, also from Beaumont, and I'm not sure about his interests - I ran out of application blanks. I'll include his information in the next newsletter.

Show & Tell:

We didn't have a lot of show & tells this time but a couple of members made up for it by bringing 2 items.



Lyman Frugia with several turned vases, one being the spalted Hackberry vase he used during his recent Saturday

Program Meeting. Lyman reminds the folks that took bowl blanks at the meeting that they're supposed to be finished by the January meeting.



Howard Hartman with a walnut stained toy biplane he made for one of his grandchildren. Howard also won

the door prize (\$35 since he had a show & tell). Talk about luck - this is the second time he's won in about 15 years.



Frank Gaddis with a cherry serving tray he plans to make into a bed tray by adding legs. He's undecided about attaching them or making a separate frame. He also brought an adjustable jig he made for cutting finger or box



joints on a router or table saw.



Kathy Dressel with her intarsia of 'The Hobo'. She made it from a lot of different woods from Aspen to Walnut. She also brought her first bowl, made from a piece of Tallow wood. She said she really didn't like the smell of the tallow



wood when she was turning it!



Richard Hicks with a trivet he made from a floor tile and some quilted maple he bought from Acadian. He used his 'string clamping' method to glue the mitered frame.

Acadian Cypress & Hardwoods:

Acadian has a nice selection of wood for your Christmas projects. You never know what treasure you'll find there. I found a very unusual piece of quilted red oak and a piece of

the 'whitest' piece of soft maple I've seen in a long time before the meeting. Several other members found 'treasures' after the meeting. I heard one member say, "just getting to look through the lumber at Acadian was worth the cost of their membership!"

Thanks you Wes and Norma for your hospitality and the use of your building for our meetings and library. By the way, we have received the new videos and they will be ready to check out shortly. Our library is available anytime Acadian is open.

Woodworker's Paradise:

B.J. is receiving new merchandise daily. A lot of the new items he found at the Atlanta Woodworking Show have arrived. Check them out - I'm sure you will find something you 'just can't live without'.