



# The DoveTale

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Woodworkers of SouthEast Texas

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Members:	57	Present:	25	Visitors:	5
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Our Next Meeting will be Feb 25<sup>th</sup>

January 28<sup>th</sup> Meeting

We held our January meeting at Acadian Hardwoods. Business items included:

- Howard Hartman – Balance is \$2,092.49
- Richard Hicks – Membership at 57 and 2008 renewals at 46
- Web Site – Rob Emanuel reports we are currently having website provider problems – he is working to resolve.
- Toy Project: Rebecca Phelps will lead our toy project this year
- Library – Rob says “It’s full again, so he’ll purge it real soon.” The club voted to review our magazine subscriptions to be sure we are getting only the ones of interest to our members.
- Programs: New incentives for program presenters – contact Rob Emanuel
- Steve Brady will continue to handle our raffles.

Our Next Meeting

Our next regular meeting will be Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at Acadian Hardwoods. Ian Stewart will present a program about the

construction techniques he uses on his roll-top desks. As usual, I’ll be there early to take pictures of your show & tell items. Be sure to bring one along with a chair.

I am will do a follow-up Saturday meeting on March 15<sup>th</sup> at Woodworker’s Paradise in Lumberton. The meeting will start at 1PM and last for 2 hours.

Renewals

Well, it’s that time again – time to renew your club membership.

So far, we’ve had 46 renewals. Our club bylaws require that I finalize the membership list before the March meeting, so please return your membership renewal as soon as you can. If you don’t plan to renew, please let me know.

It really helps a lot if you renew by mail.

Houston Woodworking Show

We discussed our participation at the Houston Woodworking Show. This year the club promoters are requiring all woodworking clubs that have show booths to provide a series of short ‘strolling seminars’ during the

day. We could not get enough interest in doing the seminars, so we WILL NOT have a club booth at the show this year.

### Show & Tells

Sorry, we don't have pictures of the Show & Tell items this month.

- Paul Smith brought pictures of an old house he bought and converted into a shop
- Lyman Frugia brought a bowl he turned from some wood that came from Mexico a long time ago
- Steve Brady brought an end-grain cutting board he made from plans in WOOD magazine
- Howard Hartman brought pictures of a day bed he made for a 5 year old that he designed to look like an old truck
- Debra Peveto brought pictures of a 'swinging horse' she built for her grand daughter
- Earl Rutherford brought a goblet he turned from some 'Rita Wood'. Earl says that it took him about 30 minutes to turn the goblet.
- Richard Spinney brought a tool box/caddy he made to store his woodcarving tools
- John Phelps brought a Festool Domino mortise & tenon cutter as well as pictures of his new MinMax bandsaw
- Lorelei Mayer brought an example of what you can do with the new Carve-Right machine. It looks like a planer, but it's really a small CNC carving machine
- Glen Kenney brought a really powerful battery powered ratchet. He used it to drive screws in tight quarters
- **Bill Meleton won the door prize - \$25 since he didn't have a show & tell item**

### Program

John Phelps presented a very interesting program about the various types of joints that can be used in solid wood carcass cabinet

construction. He used his tombstone chest to illustrate the various joints.

I can't begin to do justice to his presentation, but some of the key things he talked about that I found particularly interesting were: He used dowels to join the sides of the carcass to the top and he made his own jig to space and drill the dowel holes. The jig was easy to use and assured exact alignment of the dowels.

He used mortise and tenon construction where the apron joins the legs and sliding, stopped dovetails on the stretchers. He demonstrated the various ways to measure and cut these joints as well as jigs he uses to make sure everything lines up and fits properly.

Thanks John for a very informative presentation.

### Future Shows

We discussed doing other shows such as:

- ✓ The Heritage Festival - the booths cost money and they expect you to sell products
- ✓ The Rice Festival in Winnie that takes place in October.

Dean will check on the various festivals and report back to the club.