



The DoveTale

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Members:	90	Present:	24	Visitors:	1
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[Our Next Meeting will be July 26th](#)

[June 28th Meeting](#)

Our June meeting was held at Acadian Hardwoods. Business items included:

- Howard Hartman – \$2,535.54
- Richard Hicks – Membership at 90
- Rob Emanuel The new video, Trent Bosch “Vessels of Illusion” has arrived. I just finished viewing it and it’s really good.
- Rob Emanuel says to be sure to check out our website: www.wwsset.org
- Bill Chanley & Rob Emanuel will do a Saturday meeting in July on toy making

[Raffles](#)

The July meeting will be your last chance to buy a ticket for the \$150 Acadian gift certificate raffle. We’ll hold the drawing at the conclusion of the July meeting. Steve Brady, our raffle leader, is also looking for ideas for the next raffle item.

[Our next meeting](#)

Our next regular meeting will be at Acadian Hardwoods in Rose City on Monday, July 26th. The meeting will start at 7PM but I’ll be

there early to take pictures of your show & tell items. Earl Rutherford and I will present the program – “Photographing your woodworking projects”

[2004 Meeting Schedule](#)

Pete Nealley, our program chairman, announced the tentative program schedule for the rest of 2004. We have some great meetings planned so mark your calendars as follows:

[Regular Monday Night Meetings @ 7PM](#)

[July 26th](#) – Acadian – Earl Rutherford & Richard Hicks
Photographing your woodworking projects

[August 23rd](#) – Dr. Vardiman’s shop
Progress on his boat project

[September 27th](#) Acadian -
To Be Announced

[October 25th](#) – Acadian – Waid Gauthier
Finishing Techniques

[November 22nd](#) – Acadian – Bill Chanley & Rob Emanuel

Sort and Prepare Toys for Distribution

NO REGULAR MEETING IN DECEMBER!

Saturday Program Meetings @ 1PM

July 24th – Rob Emanuel and Bill Chanley – Toy Workshop I at Woodworker's Paradise.

August 14th – Sue Caldwell, Intarsia and shop tour at Randall Wright's shop in Orange.

September ??? – Special Guest Presenter – Date and Location to be Announced Later

October 16th – Bill Chanley & Rob Emanuel – Toy Making Workshop II at Woodworker's Paradise

November 6th – Lyman Frugia – Ornament Turning at his shop in Rose City.

Show & Tells



Howard Hartman brought one of his dad's old planes – a 24" Stanley Jointer plane that's still in pretty good shape (except the power cord is missing).



John Phelps uses this 'shooting board' with his planes & table saw to get a straight edge on project boards.



Ray Ward made this white oak chair. It is really heavy duty and heavy - 31 pounds. He used the new Miller Dowels

system for the joints.

Door Prize

Steve Nelson won the door prize - \$25 since he didn't have a show & tell. Remember, if you bring a show & tell, the door prize is \$35.

Shop Tips

We had a lively discussion about glues.

- Titebond has a new product, Titebond II Extend, that's water resistant and has a longer 'open time' than their other formulas.
- The polyurethane glues, like Gorilla Glue, have a long open time and they don't clog your sandpaper.
- Two part epoxy glues are very strong and are used to join almost anything to anything, like wood to metal, etc.
- The instant glues (cyanoacrylate), come in different consistencies with different open times. They dry really fast and are good for a lot of things from making jigs to filling cracks in latheturnings.



Sue Caldwell with some more of her beautiful intarsia projects – a Bluejay bird on a branch and a Texas boot and

hat.



Dale Clark brought pictures of his entertainment center. He used mortise and tenon joints on the

doors.

The latest issue of WOOD magazine has a good article on glues with ratings on strengths and uses.

Program

Bill Chanley kicked off our annual toy building effort with suggestions and instructions for making toys. His main points were:

- When making the animal profiles, be sure to round over the edges, either with a router or by sanding
- Pieces should be sanded smooth so the children will not be injured by splinters
- If you make puzzles out of the profiles, be sure to keep the pieces of each profile together by putting them in a plastic bag
- Do not use small pieces like wheels and knobs – check with Bill for the proper sizes
- Don't use strings and ropes – they can be a strangulation hazard for the children

The agencies that receive our toys are VERY grateful. The kids really like them and the parents appreciate the fact that they don't require batteries and they last a long time.

We are looking for some ideas for little girl toys. In the past, we've made some baby cradles and ironing boards. The girls really like them and we need some help making them this year.

The group also discussed making some slightly more elaborate toys this year. A suggestion was made that small groups might get together and work on a few 'special toys'. These should be made in groups of four, if possible, since we have four agencies on our gift list.

If you can make some of the animal profile toys, contact Bill for materials and patterns.

If you want to make a special toy, just let Bill know what you need in the way of supplies. The club has allocated some money to finance the toy materials for this year and Bill has already purchased the wood pre-cut some blanks.

Our July 24th Saturday program meeting will be a Woodworker's Paradise and we will be using their shop and saws to make toys. This will be a good chance to tryout one of those new saws and practice your techniques – without spending any money. The club also has two scroll saws that club members can use. There's no rental charge for the saw if you're using it to make toys.

We are hoping to make around 1,600 toys this year. With everyone's help, we can make the goal and make some children very happy.

Contact Bill Chanley at (409)866-5967 or by email at Bchanley@aol.com for materials, patterns or information.

Saturday Meeting

Howard Hartman hosted the Saturday Program meeting on June 19th. He demonstrated the procedure for making band sawn boxes. We had good turnout for the meeting. I could not attend the meeting, but I understand everyone enjoyed the presentation and several made boxes.

Howard did the same program at our first Saturday Program Meeting two years ago, and the write-up is posted on our website:

www.wwset.org

Give it a try – it's a good way to use up some of the tree limbs that we find on the side of the road – or even from trimming our own trees. Thanks, Howard, for taking the time to present this program for the club.