



North County Woodworking Club

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December 2004 NEWSLETTER

No Meeting in December

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

I don't know about all of you, but 2004 has been a blur for me. So much has happened this year and I don't know where the time went. As we welcome in a New Year I would like to ask all of you to make it a goal to get a new member involved with the club next year.

From my perspective the thing I enjoy most about this club is that the information or special techniques, that members have is shared freely with the club. I have been involved with other organizations and you would think that you're asking someone to share top secret information when you asked how something was done. Not so in this club and I commend you all for that.

Fred Gross, the Program Chairman, has some interesting programs lined up for the new year. In January I will demonstrate inlay techniques using stone media and also router inlay techniques using jigs. I will have a number of jigs on hand and will have drawings for sets of clamps and other items. I will also have something for everyone in attendance. I'll let Fred tell you about the other programs he has lined up.

With the holidays approaching most of us are busy in the workshop building gifts for loved ones. Don't forget about those that may not get a gift, you might be surprised how easy it is to make something that they will really appreciate.

Out here in Valley Center at the Roadrunner Newspaper office there is a tree with children's names on it. These kids lost everything in the fires last year and most of them are still living in temporary housing. All a person has to do is take a name and go get a present and bring it back to the newspaper office and they will make sure the child gets it. There is probably a program similar to this near every member.

I would like to wish each and every one of you Merry Christmas and the happiest of New Years.

Butch Baskins, President

We Currently Have 99 Members

We are looking for a new newsletter chair

Ray Brooks has published the newsletter for 4 and some years now. Ray needs a break. Anyone interested in taking over that job should contact Ray or any other board member.

SHOW and TELL

Show and Tell will begin again in January 2005.

Do you have a project to show off? How about a favorite jig, a special technique or time saving hint to make our woodworking easier? Attendees should bring in projects and present them with a short 2-minute talk. More time can be devoted to questions about your projects at the end of the meeting. Thanks for sharing your ideas.

NCWC MEMBERSHIP !!!

Dues of \$20.00 will be collected at each meeting or you can mail them to Ray Brooks at the Club Post Office Box. Year 2005 dues can be paid anytime.

Remember, the longer you wait to pay your dues, the less time you have to take advantage of the great offers and discounts from our vendors.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2005:

President: Butch Baskins sawdustvc@aol.com
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Bill Carpenter: Refreshments

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Your club will have another auction at the Feb. 1005 meeting. Paid up members only can purchase tickets. We will auction a Porter Cable router kit (has both fixed and plunge bases). Tickets are \$1.00 each or 7 for \$5.00.

PROGRAMS IN THE COMING MONTHS:

The next meeting will be at the Joslyn Center on January 20, 2005.

Member News:

Our member Peter Sidlauskas always needs fine wood objects for his Woodcrafter Design Gallery at 135 E. Grand Ave., Escondido. Contracts and other important information can be had by calling him at (760) 741-0124. Even if you have no pieces to show at this time you can be very helpful to your fellow woodworkers by visiting the gallery and encouraging your family and friends to do the same. It is hoped you will be pleased with the gallery and will be proud to show your best work there.

This section is for members who have news about themselves, other members, or other good stuff they would like to pass on to the rest of the membership. Information to be included in the newsletter should be E-mail'd to Ray Brooks at raybonnie@aol.com at least 2 weeks before the scheduled meeting.

FOR SALE or PURCHASE

Anyone who has wants or disposals, send them to me and I will distribute the info. Ray

MENTOR PROGRAM

Members interested in assisting other members can participate in the Mentor Program. It is as easy as sending your name, skills, and E-mail address to Ray Brooks. Ray will place your name, skills and e-mail address on a portion of the web page devoted to the Mentor Program. Remember, your name will be "on the web" so only your E-mail address will be made available. Anyone wishing to contact you will have to E-mail with their contact information.

OTHER TIDBITS:

Oh fudge!! Nobody sent me any goodies. Try this on for size. I would like to make woodworking or related articles, written by our members, available on the web site. Can you write? Do you have a special tidbit that you would willingly pass along to the membership? Please contact me with your input. I will assist in editing if you provide a starting text. Pictures work too.

Refreshments:

This is a big job and Bill Carpenter has graciously agreed to chair this committee. Thanks Bill.

Programs:

Fred Gross, VP and Programs Committee Chair, is always looking for ideas from the membership as to prospective speakers, demonstrations, tours etc. If you have speaker ideas or topic desires, please see Fred at the meeting or contact him via e-mail.

The Next Board Meeting:

There will not be a board meeting in December. The next board meeting will be on January 6th in the Jocelyn Center library.

NCWC APPROVED VENDORS

Thanks to the efforts of Tom Lightner and some other club members, we have lots of great Approved Vendors for our club. They are as follows; with specifics as to the discounts available and persons to contact. Please frequent these vendors when you can. **Show your NCWC membership card and request your discount.** From time to time you may see one of their representatives at our meetings.

We have a new approved vendor, **Batteries Plus.**

Batteries Plus

New batteries for your cordless power tools or they will rebuild your old batteries. Save big bucks! Batteries for most applications – from airplanes to wheelchairs. Check out their website at www.batteriesplus.com. 10% discount on purchases and services to NCWC members. Their 2 locations listed below:

945 W. Valley Parkway, Suite E
Escondido, Ca. 92025 760-839-0001

3670 Rosecrans Street
San Diego, Ca. 92110 619-226-7587

Please refer to the vendor web page for a list of all vendors and the benefits they provide.

We hope to see you at the meeting. Remember that we meet on the third Thursday of each month except November and December.

To those of you who were e-mailed this notice. Should you desire to have your name removed from our list or if you received this in error, please respond to Ray Brooks with your request and we'll take you off the list.

If you are not on the E-mail list and wish to save the club some money, please send me your E-mail address and we'll switch you.

Ray Brooks, newsletter chair. Questions, etc. 760.489.7187. E-mail raybonnie@aol.com.