



North County Woodworking Club

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July 2008 Newsletter

Next Meeting Thursday July 17, 2008

Doors open at 6:00 pm, Meeting starts at 7:00 pm

MEETING LOCATION

Joslyn Senior Center, Auditorium, 210 Park Avenue, Escondido, Ca 92025

The Joslyn Center is off Broadway between Mission and Washington Avenues. Thomas Guide Map code 1129 J-2. Park Avenue is in the upper left corner of block J-2

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

One of the most dreaded tasks in my shop is usually the finishing – especially if I get a client who wants stained wood... What makes the task go much faster for me is the use of spray equipment. I've been spraying most of my finishes now since I started doing woodworking professionally. Not only does it speed the process up, it also can make for a very nice finish – if all goes well. If it doesn't I start practicing my French. I have also been using water-borne finishes for the past 10 years or so, and I personally would rather not use any other. I hate dealing with cleaning a gun with anything but water and a bit of soap.

This month's meeting will feature a discussion of both HVLP sprayers and water-borne finishes – two of my favorite topics.

For those of you who missed the Jensen Doors shop tour you missed a good one. We had a great demonstration of their new CNC machine plus a few other very interesting machines like their new rip saws.

Make sure that you read Butch Baskin's "Scary Shop Visitor" story further down in the newsletter. See you all at the next meeting.

Joe Dusel, President

This Month's Program

As I mentioned, this month's guest speakers will be from Apollo Sprayers of Vista. They are planning on giving us a nice talk and demo of both HVLP sprayers and water-borne finishes. I was over there this week buying a new hose for my sprayer and checking out their Atomizer 7500 gun. It looks like a nice one. Maybe we can sweet talk them into giving us a special club price. It should be a very interesting meeting.

Joe Dusel

Upcoming Meetings

Here is the tentative list of upcoming club programs for the rest of 2008:

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| ❖ August | Pie, Show and Share Night |
| ❖ September | Ken Haines - lathe turning |
| ❖ October | Pat Warner – router techniques |

Bob Fisher, Program Director

SPECIAL PROJECTS 2008

NCWC Shop Tours 2008

Vac-U-Clamp Tour and Sale!

Barney Rigney, the owner of Vac-U-Clamp, will be having a tour and sale at his location in Oceanside on **July 26th from 8:00 A.M. until about 11:00 A.M.** Vac-U-Clamp sells vacuum clamping equipment, pumps, bags and lots of stuff for veneering. From what Barney told me this is going to be a preview of what they will be showing at the IWF Show in Atlanta. They will have their complete booth setup and be giving us demonstrations of their various products. They will also be having a number of close-out items for sale and special discounts for our members. This I don't want to miss!

Vac-U-Clamp

4040 Calle Platino, Suite 112

Oceanside, Ca. 92056

(888)342-8262

www.vac-u-clamp.com

I'm still looking for shops to add to our tour schedule so let me know if you would like to have one in your shop. If you would like to show off your shop e-mail me at BNCFisher@sbcglobal.net.

Bob Fisher, Special Projects Chairman

We Currently Have 110 Members!

NCWC MEMBERSHIP !!!

The annual dues of \$30.00 are collected at the club meetings or you can mail them to Ray Brooks at the Club Post Office Box. Year 2008 dues can be paid anytime.

Remember, only paid members may participate in the fabulous raffles, plus the longer you wait to renew your membership, the less time you have to take advantage of the great offers and discounts from our vendors.

YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2007 - 2008:

President: Joe Dusel joe@woodistry.com
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SHOW AND TELL

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!

Member News:

This section is for members who have news about themselves, other members, or other good stuff they would like to pass along to the rest of the membership. Information to be included in the newsletter should be E-mailed to Joe Dusel at joe@woodistry.com at least 2 weeks before the scheduled meeting.

Scary Shop Visitor

I've lived in Valley Center for 16 years and have had my share of run-ins with critters. A few years ago while working in the shop a large Rottweiler type dog came in through the open door and growled at me. I yelled at him and he then started barking and growling and advancing. I keep a pellet rifle in the shop that I use on squirrels and rats that invade my wife's garden and as a last resort I used it on the dog. I never saw him again after he left.

I have had numerous birds fly into the shop and I have always been able to catch them in a butterfly net and safely release them. One Sunday morning a bat flew in and lit in a bookcase. He is now a paperweight, thanks to my son-in-law who does resin casting.

After returning from a trip to Wyoming I opened up the shop and sat down at my desk and out of the corner of my eye I caught a movement. Under my desk, about 18" from my feet there was a rattlesnake!! Had I not seen him move I'm quite sure he would have bitten me because he was lying right where my feet would have been. After getting my heart beat back under control I used a litter lifter pick up device to capture the 30"+ snake and return it to the wild at the other end on my property. He didn't rattle or become agitated until I grabbed him with removal tool.

Over the last 16 years I have probably removed more than 20 snakes from the shop, but this was the first rattlesnake. I searched the shop for his brethren and came up empty but thanks to the dust on the floor I was able to determine that he had been in nearly every location in the shop that I am in and then some.

Butch Baskins

San Pasqual Academy

A short while ago, I participated in a service project at the San Pasqual Academy. The Academy lost a number of buildings to last October's fire. One of the buildings housed the few woodworking tools that they had. After talking to some of the people in charge of the service project, I thought what a neat service our NC woodworking club could help with. One idea is to advertise the need for woodworking tools for the students. I thought that if anybody has a ShopSmith system that they would like to donate, we could deliver and provide instructions to the Academy's woodworking teacher. I talked to Tom Lightner and he has agreed to help.

Len Alton

FOR SALE or PURCHASE

Anyone who has wants or disposals, send them to **Roni Elsberry** remuinc@pacbell.net and she will email the info to the members.

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 Joe Dusel. Joe 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 you with his or her contact information.

OTHER TIDBITS:

Joe Dusel has a new blog site! It's www.cft411.com. The web site is collaboration between Joe Freenor who is a woodworker and a repressed novelist, and Joe Dusel who is working out the technical details of getting this site running smoothly. Check it out and let us know what you think.

The Next Board Meeting:

The next Board meeting will be held at 7:00 pm, Thursday August 7th in the Joslyn Senior Center Library. Members are encouraged to attend any board meeting. We do occasionally have the board meetings at other locations, so if you plan on attending you should probably contact Roni Elsberry first.

NCWC APPROVED VENDORS

Thanks to the efforts of Bob Fisher, Tom Lightner and some other club members, we have lots of great Approved Vendors for our club. Please frequent these vendors when you can and **Show your NCWC membership card and request your discount.** From time to time you may see one of their representatives at our meetings (Check our web site for the current list of vendors).

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 Roni Elsberry with your request and we'll take you off the list. If you are changing your email address please let us know.

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.

For those members who wish contact information for another member, please email the secretary. The secretary will contact the member to get permission prior to giving their info to the requesting party.

Roni Elsberry, newsletter circulation chair. E-mail remuinc@pacbell.net