

Knothole News

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Everyone,



This will be my last meeting as President of the club and Mr. Bill Nay will be taking over. I appreciate all of your support over the years!

If you completed a wood working project, bring it or a picture for Show and Tell. I am looking forward to the meeting and hope to see you there.

Mike Michael, President

THIS MONTH'S MEETING

"Wood Scrapers"

Thursday, May 9, 2019 at 6:30PM

We will meet at Jim Rouse's home shop to share knowledge and practical application of wood scrapers. Please bring your favorite cabinet or card scraper to show and to demonstrate.

Jim will have scrap wood for us.

(see page 7 for directions and a map)

Officers

President

Michael Mitchell 918-284-8085

Vice-President

Gregg Zumwalt 918-288-6537

Secretary

Bill Morgan 918-369-6435

Treasurer

Ray Huck 918-618-2980

Club Committees

Continuing Board Member

Vacant

Luncheon

Bill Morgan 918-369-6435

Name Tags

Vacant

Newsletter

Mike Ruttgen 620-717-4520

Programs

Vacant

Toys / Show & Tell

Betty Zumwalt 918-249-4663

Toy Wheels & Axles

Jim Rouse 918-636-9286

Minutes from Last Month's Club Meeting by Bill Morgan

The GCWW club met on 4/11/19 at Bill Morgan's shop. In attendance were Mike Mitchell, Gregg Zumwalt, Ray Hucek, Earle Smith, Arthur Barber, Mike Ruttgen, Bill Nay, Jim Rouse, Jerry Garrett, Jamie Wilson, Bill Morgan and Joe Ferguson. Mike Mitchell called the meeting to order and led the group in a discussion of a few items of club business.

It was agreed that the club will purchase a table at the wood carvers' craft show on 6/21 & 6/22 at the Broken Arrow Convention Center at 1500 south Main. We will have some flyers and business cards so that we can promote the GCWW club. Members can display and sell their work if they want to - or we can just meet and greet the crowd. More detailed information and sign up sheets will be available at the May meeting.

Earle Smith suggested that we consider establishing a "membership" position as part of the club's slate of officers. This person would be responsible for maintaining the membership roster and following up with guests at the meetings and other potential new members.

This month's 4th Thursday dinner will be at Fish Daddy's on 71st street just east of HW 169. Bill Morgan will send out the reminder notice.

Joe Ferguson operates a sawmill near Coffeyville Kansas. He brought along some samples of the types of wood he sells and then gave us a little information on his background and how he operates his business. He has his own stand of black walnut trees but processes wood from other sources as well. His main focus has been on cutting and selling blanks for gun stocks. Figured walnut is at a premium for this market and its production results in lots of less spectacular grain that he sells at competitive prices. Large thick slabs with natural edges are currently popular for making table tops. These large slabs along with gun stock blanks are apparently the backbone of his business.

Joe cuts and air dries a wide range of hardwood species and carries a fairly large inventory of 1" and 2" stock which he sells at reasonable prices. His current inventory includes black walnut, English walnut, both silver and ambrosia maple, red oak and "swamp" oak, cherry, pecan, hickory, buckeye, cedar, sycamore, boxelder, and hedge.

While Joe travels to market his products, either he or his partner Jim can be reached by cell phone to arrange a visit to see his inventory. Joe reviewed the samples he brought and even managed to sell a couple of pieces. He is obviously very knowledgeable about the characteristics of various species of wood and was happy to share his insights with the group. His contact info is Joe @ 620-870-2681 and Jim @ 620-252-0690. He does not have a website and does not publish lists of his inventory or prices. He apparently does have stacks of \$5 boards and \$10 boards that you can sort through. Mike Ruttgen was familiar with Joe's operation and arranged for his visit to the club.

Photos from Last Month's Meeting



Guest speaker, Joe Ferguson at the GCWW meeting in April described his small log sawmill operations and the type of wood he sells. He is a discounteer of a variety of hardwoods. Quantity varies and he sells by the board. Prices seem to be from \$5 to \$20 per board depending on specie, grain and number of knots. He also handles slabs. If stock is available, he cuts the slabs on his small log mill or purchases them from other sources. On an irregular schedule, he sells wood at the Saturday Tulsa Flea Market held at the Tulsa County Expo Square. For schedule and location of the Flea Market go to www.tulsafleamarket.net.

Slabs of
Eastern
Red Cedar



Photos from Last Month's Meeting (continued)



Highly figured swamp oak boards priced at \$15 each.

Saw Mill Lumber

Joe - 620-870-2681
Jim - 620-252-0690

Show and Tell



A classic heirloom jewelry box made by Vinton Knarr for his granddaughter. The wood is walnut finished with a base coat of Danish Oil a couple of top coats of Minwax Wipe-on-Poly.

For Sale

Steve Smith contacted us stating he wanted to sell some of his woodworking tools. After talking with him, we found out that he is a seasoned woodworker with a garage shop between Broken Arrow and Bixby. He has upgraded some of his tools and now wants to free-up some space by selling items he no longer uses or replaced. You may reach Steve at 918-455-0738 (number corrected).



Rigid 10" Table Saw with Mobile Base & 8" Dado Set - \$ 350 (sold)

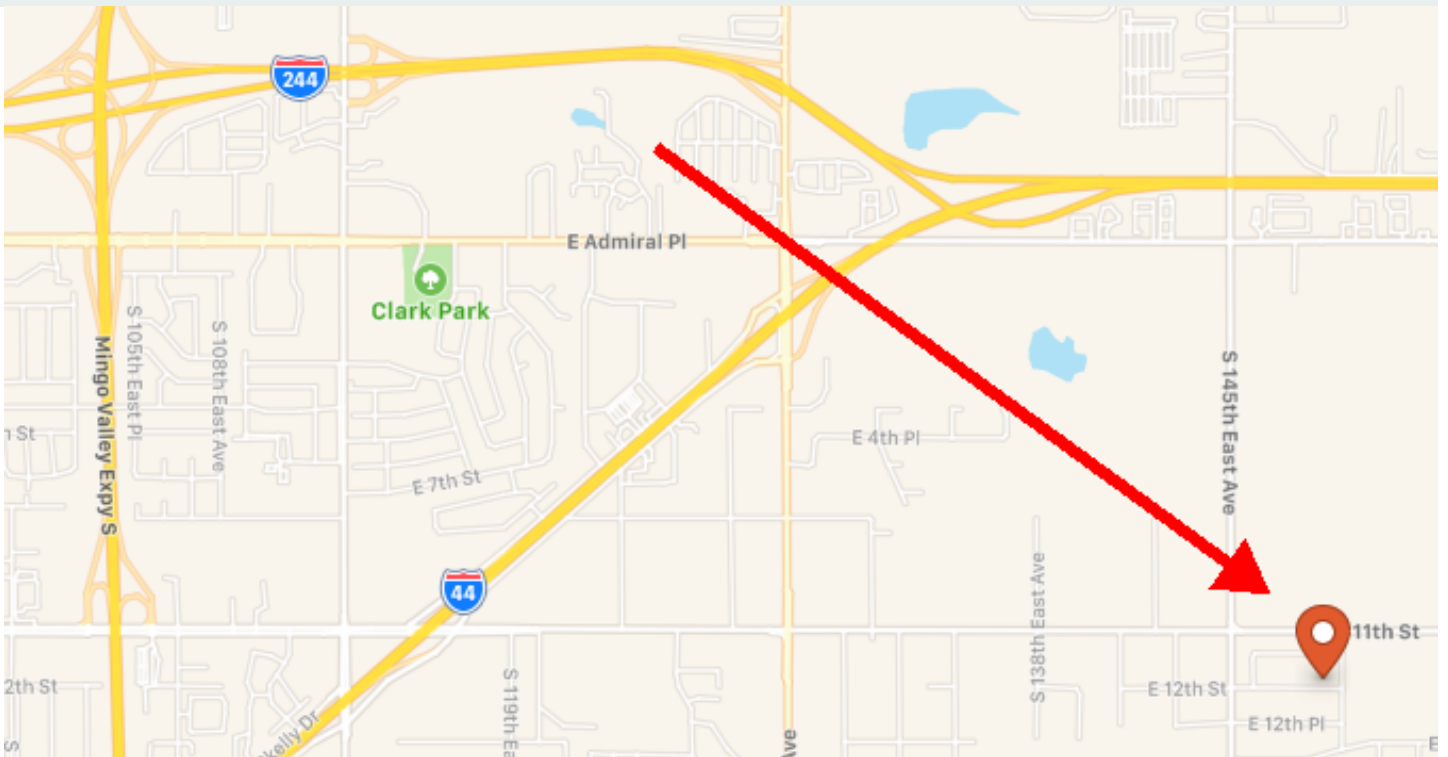
Hitachi 12" Sliding Dual Bevel Mitre Saw - \$ 225

Rockwell 14" Bandsaw - \$ 125 (sold)

Porter cable is a 10" Mitre Saw - \$ 75



Our next meeting will be on
May 9, 2019 at 6:30PM at
Jim Rouse's Home Shop
14821 E 12th St
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74108
918-636-9286



- (a) From the intersection of 11th St and S 145th East Ave
- (b) Go South 1 block to 12th St
- (c) Turn East on 12th St
- (d) Jim's home is the 9th house on the left side (next to the last house on the block)

GREEN COUNTRY WOOD- WORKERS

The Green Country Woodworkers are made up of men and women who are interested in woodworking as a hobby.

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The monthly meetings are conducted as educational forums for the benefit of our members and guests. We have idea exchanges, problem solving sessions, safety tips and tool tips plus a main speaker on topics related to woodworking in all its phases.

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The club sponsors community service projects such as making Toys for Tots at Christmas and supporting Beads of Courage by turning bowls and making boxes for children undergoing cancer treatment at Children Hospital at Saint Francis. The containers hold the children's beads. The beads represent their treatment progress.

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OBJECTIVES

- To provide the Knothole News, a monthly newsletter
- To promote woodworking and participate in woodworking and craft shows to inform the public of club activities
- To make wooden toys which are donated to selected organizations throughout the year
- Monthly Show & Tell; all items entered in the show and tell will be presented to the membership by the builder

Membership applications are available at each meeting from the club secretary or treasurer. At this time, no membership fee is charged.

MEETINGS

The club meets on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30PM, typically at a designated member's shop. The upcoming location and topic are published in advance in the Knothole News.

We also have a monthly dinner/social on the 4th Thursday of the month at 6:30PM; the location is determined during the regular monthly meeting.

WWW.GREENCOUNTRYWOODWORKERS.ORG

Please be sure to check out our new web site for more information about the organization, past Knothole News publications, pictures, resources, etc.

