

Knothole News

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Greetings.

I am looking forward to our meeting this Thursday. Gregg is always a great host and it will be fun to produce some turned tops. Look for the location information in this Newsletter. The current weather forecast looks favorable for our gathering at his garage shop.

The Toy Build committee should have a report and will be seeking commitments from attendees for contribution to this project. We have committed to making two toys, a "grasshopper" pull toy and a "batmobile". If you have other toys you are building and have a sample, be sure and bring to share. As always the show and tell part of our meetings is important and fun.

Every month it seems that I remark on how fast time flies and how little I seem to accomplish. Well, it happened again but I'm not going to mention it. I am going to commit to spending more shop time and getting more done.

I have an inventory project that isn't near as much fun as actually making something and I've been avoiding working on it. However, it is something that I know I should have for that possibility of fire, storm or theft loss. Right now it would be a chore to know and prove my damages in such event. What is your level of preparedness for such a calamity?

Stay safe and I hope to see you Thursday. Bill Nay, President

THIS MONTH'S MEETING

Thursday, September 8, 2022 @ 6:30 PM

Gregg Zumwalt's house

8144 S 76th E Ave. , Tulsa, OK

How to turn and decorate a top

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Minutes from Last Month's Meeting by Bill Morgan

The GCWW club met on 8/11/22 at the Hardesty Library Branch. In attendance were Bill Nay, Gregg Zumwalt, Arthur Barber, Vinton Knarr, Earle Smith, Harold Blalock, Robert Rothenbucher, Ray Hucek, and Bill Morgan.

One of the objectives of the meeting was to firm up our plans for this year's Christmas toy build. Several people brought in samples of toys they've built in past years. Earle Smith brought in a couple of airplane models and the plans for a grasshopper pull toy that looks fairly simple to build. Bill Nay shared some ideas on how to select toy plans that can be nested on a standard 2 X 4 to minimize material waste.

After some discussion, it was agreed that while several members will produce toys on their own, for the group build we'll produce the grass hopper plan that Earle brought in as well as the Bat mobile that we made a few years ago. Earle, Harold Blalock and Arthur Barber will get together and figure out what kind of assembly stations we'll need and establish how many of each part need to be produced ahead of time. This committee will come up with sign up sheets for the next meeting. The group build itself will be at Earle's shop in place of the regular meeting in November.

Ray Hucek showed his latest keepsake box. He has a granddaughter who likes sparkle and Ray added several different in-lays to his basic design. The in-lays are made for fret markers on stringed instruments and are available on - line.

Gregg brought in a band sawed box and explained the process of building one.

Bill Morgan brought in a cheese cutting board with a chevron pattern he made after being inspired by the one that Bill Nay showed a couple of months ago.

Vinton Knarr reviewed the process he used to produce a box to organize tea bags. Since he and his wife drink multiple flavors of tea, their storage drawer was badly in need of some help. He started by making a template to match the size of the tea bags and then used that along with a spacer matching the thickness of the dividers to set up his table saw cuts - - eliminating any measuring inaccuracies

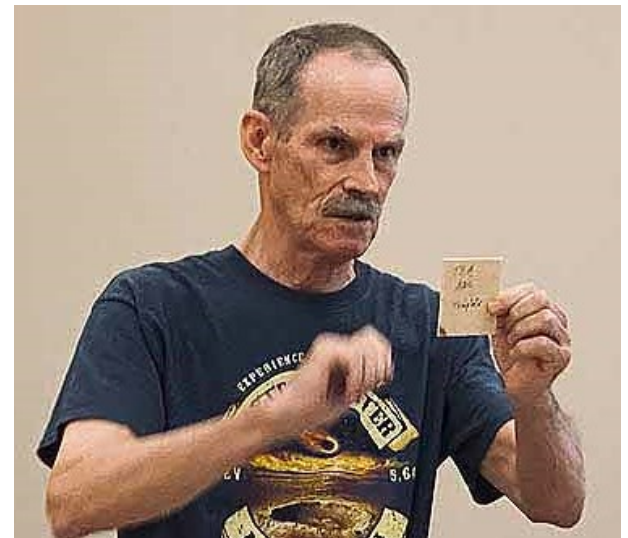
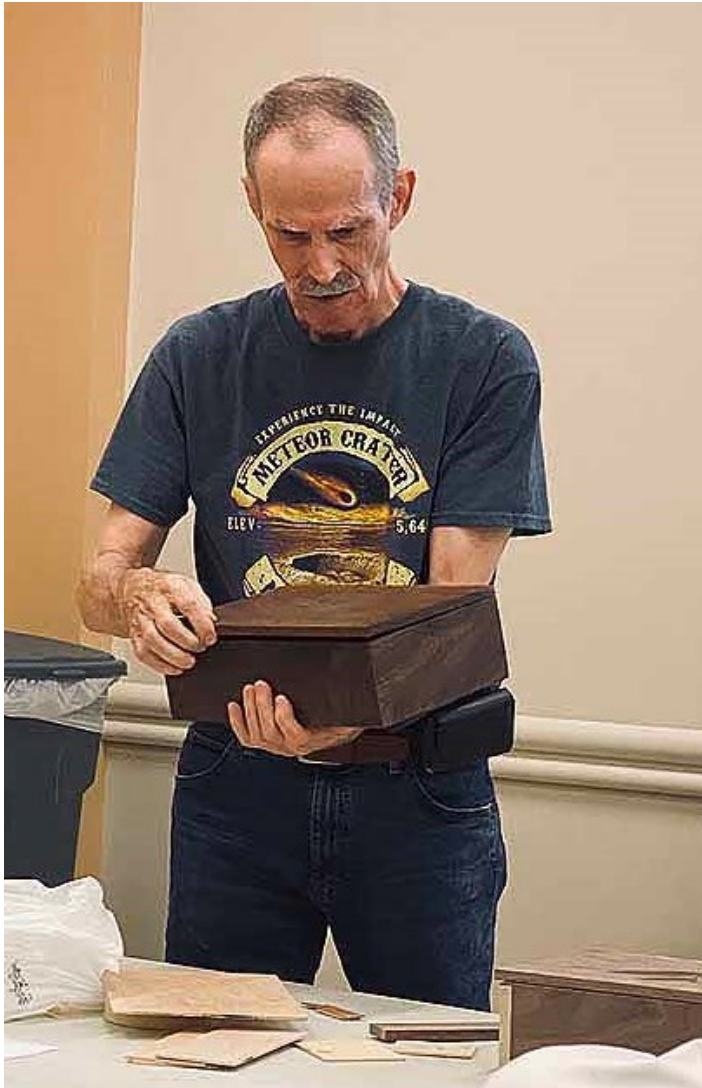
He brought in an "in process" box as well as a couple of completed boxes, He explained how he selected and mounted the hinges and how he fitted the top to match the sides. He utilized the equipment available at the Central library to create the decorative engraving on the lids.

In addition to his presentation, Vinton showed a "cube in a cube". He raffled off the cube as well as 2 solid cubes. The winners of the solid blocks can go to u-tube to see how to free up the inner cube.

The September meeting will be at Gregg Zumwalts shop and he'll demonstrate how to turn and decorate a top and then let everyone try their hand at it. We should be able to complete a number of Christmas toys in the process.

While a number of the members have scroll saws, not many of us have really mastered them. Mike Mitchell has shown some very nice scroll saw pieces and Arthur Barber agreed to contact him about giving us a demonstration at the October meeting.

Photos From Last Month's Meeting



Vinton giving a presentation on building beautiful tea boxes. He also showed us how to make little puzzle wood cubes out of scrap wood.



Content Submitted by Club Members

Ron Smith just completed this beautiful jewelry box.



Ray Hucek made this jewelry box for his daughter.



Content Submitted by Club Members

French Bread Cutting Board coated with Walnut oil that creates
A harden food-safe finish. By Earle Smith



For Sale Items, Bill Nay, 918-492-8481 **MAKE ME AN OFFER**

PC 1/4 sheet finish sander, vacuum hose fitting



DeWalt 15 gal wet or dry vac. Like new



Rigid 1/4 sheet finish sander, like new **MAKE ME AN OFFER**

Makita 3x21 Belt sander, like new, in box **MAKE ME AN OFFER**



For Sale Items, Bill Nay, 918-492-8481 **MAKE ME AN OFFER**

Roller outfeed, infeed or side support table, very adjustable and sturdy

About 25" W x 38" H x 52" L extended
25" W x 24" H x 19" L collapsed

9 rollers, 300 lb. weight limit, 4" locking casters

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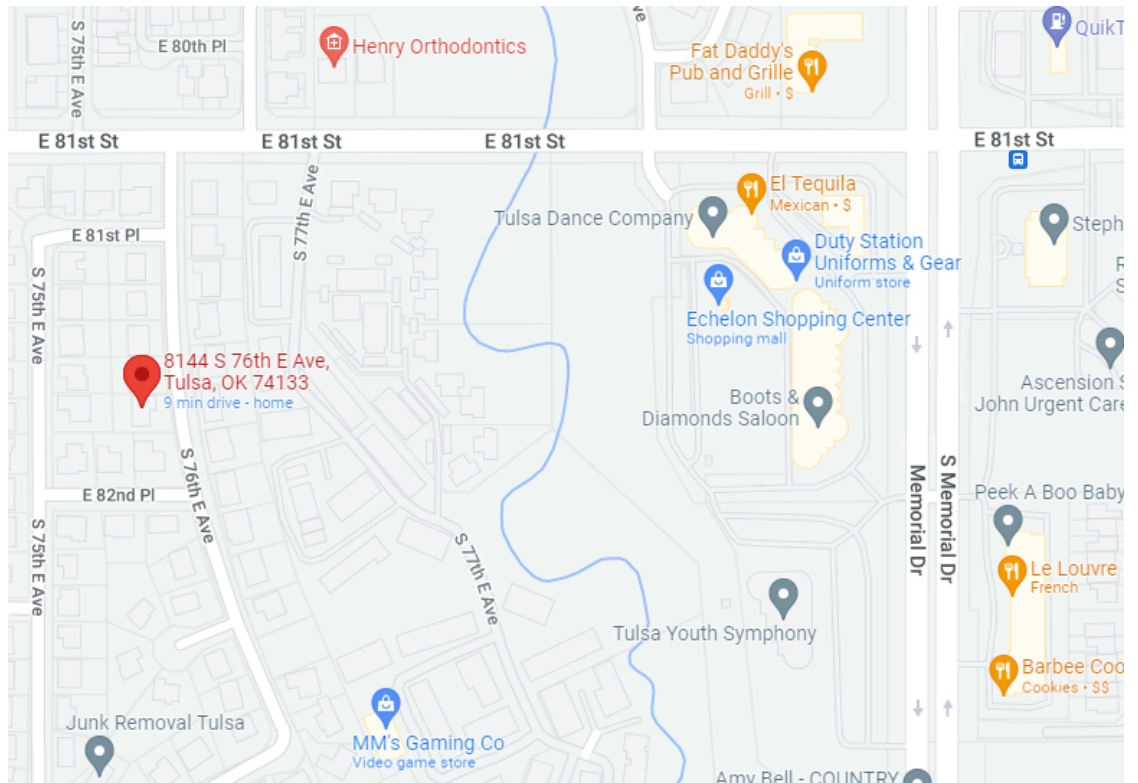
Vintage Craftsman power plane. Spiral blade, fences, original box, runs when plugged in. Great tool to have when you need one. **MAKE ME AN OFFER**

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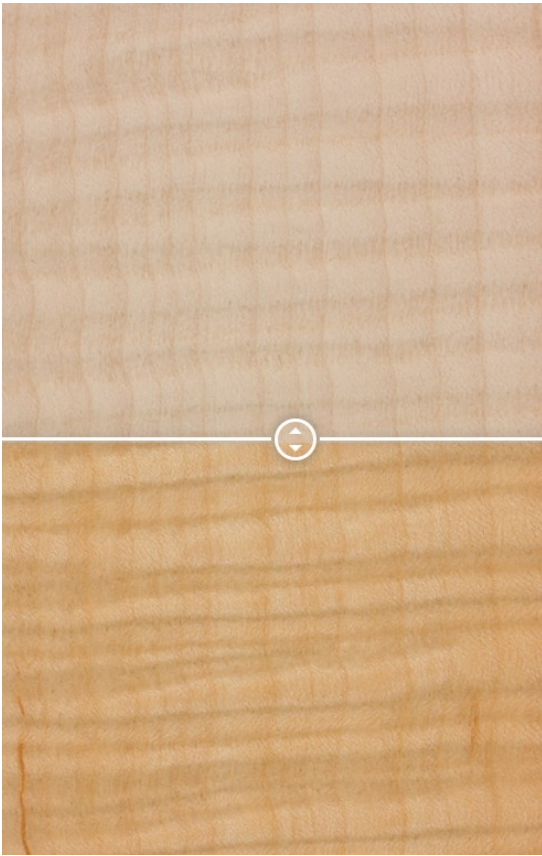
Gregg Zumwalts
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“Curly Maple” from www.wood-database.com



Comments: Called curly maple because the ripples in the grain pattern create a three dimensional effect that appears as if the grain has “curled” along the length of the board. It’s also referred to as fiddleback maple, in reference to its historic use for the backs and sides of violins.

Curly maple figuring is similar to quilted maple, but curl is a primarily horizontal pattern perpendicular to the wood grain. Unlike quilted maple, curly maple is most pronounced when the board is quartersawn, and the curls usually become much less pronounced or absent in flatsawn sections of boards. It is not completely clear what environmental conditions (if any) cause this phenomenon, but there are different grades of curly maple, which greatly affect its price.

Generally the criteria for determining value is based upon:

- color (both uniformity and lightness—whiter is preferred),
- frequency of the curls (tight, closely-spaced curls are preferred), and
- intensity (more depth is preferred).

Prices can range from just slightly more expensive than regular maple for lower grades of curly maple, to many, many times higher for prices of the highest grades. However, curly maple tends to be one of the most economical hardwoods when compared to other figured woods.

Common Name(s): Curly maple, fiddleback maple, tiger maple, flamed maple, rippled maple

Botanical Designation: Not a distinct species of maple. Curly maple is considered a grain pattern that can be found in nearly all *Acer* species.

Distribution: Primarily temperate regions in the Northern Hemisphere

Average Dried Weight: 30.2 to 44.0 lbs/ft³ (485 to 705 kg/m³) depending on species

Janka Hardness: 700 to 1,450 lbf (6,450 N) depending on species

GREEN COUNTRY WOODWORKERS

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

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.

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 at Hardesty Regional Library.

We also have a monthly dinner/social on the 4th Thursday of the month at 6:00PM; the location is determined during the regular monthly meeting.

WWW.GREENCOUNTRYWOODWORKERS.ORG

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

