THE NEXT MEETING  April 23 AT  
THE TABLE TENNIS CLUB  
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Social Gathering @ 6:30 PM  
Meeting Starts @ 7:00 PM

This Month’s Meeting  
- Gary Vreeland
The April program will be presented by Jim Ramsey of the Kansas City Woodworkers Guild. He will explain and demonstrate techniques for bent wood laminations. Building the form, bending and gluing. A slide presentation and samples will show each step for this unique effect.
- Gary

President’s Corner – Les Hastings
Hello everyone!

Well it cooled off, rained, snowed and now the sun is shining and its warm again, go figure. Where else but Kansas can you get all that in a week's time!

My thanks to all that made the box making contest a success. Many different designs, all shapes and sizes. I know there was some of you that was doing and trying things for the first time. Everyone did a fantastic job! All of you were winners in my book. I was happy and surprised that there was so many box's that showed up. Pat yourselves on the back for boxes very well done. And congratulations to the winners!!

I received this e-mail this week thought I would share it with you.

From: Russell Yarnell
Stumbled onto Sunflower Woodworking website and thought I would let you know that you have quite a club. I live up in Topeka and belong to a woodworking group that does a similar service project. I like the website and the amount of information put into it along with the club's ability to make a newsletter each month!

This is the third time some one has contacted me through the club’s website in the last couple of months or so. Bill Tumbleson our newest member was one of those. I would like to say thanks to all of you that make things happen. To Ray for making sure the newsletter gets done each month, (and sending me reminders that its time once again). And everyone else that contributes to it each month.

If you’re interested in doing a bent lamination project of your own----don't miss this months meeting!!

See you Monday
Les
Las Month’s Meeting
- Mike Hutton

Show and Tell-

**Guests:** Cecil Donohoe
Gene Peterson

Bill Tumbleson showed a reversible chalkboard/white board art easel for kids that he built from plans.

Mike Hutton showed a unique triangle shaped air-dried walnut end table with granite inlay center. The shape was the wankel piston. The legs followed form and were tapered. Finish was rubbing oil varnish.

Rose Gibbons showed that boxes could be cherished because of the gift of giving. She had an 80-year-old cedar jewelry box that her uncle made and passed down to her. She also showed a cedar box that reminds her of her mother every time she opens it because of the smell. Showing ageless elegance, a 100-year-old cigar box remains in one piece.
Don Hagenbuch showed some of his cedar pens that he has been turning. He said that he has been having fun knocking out unique pens.

John Belt explained how he dried and lumbered a fallen Russian Olive tree from his yard. He found that the lumber delaminated very easily when making planer passes. He wasn’t sure if the drying process or if check caused by our wonderful Kansas wind caused internal stresses that relieved themselves when cutting the strips. He only got ¼ inch thick boards out of the tree that were used to make his inlay boxes that were entered in the box-making contest.

Les Hastings always is thinking about something. This month he showed a wenge and yellow heart twisty spiral that screwed together kind of cool although he hadn’t thought of how to use it yet.

Jerry Keen talked about his trip to the gulf coast where he helped clean up and start rebuilding a house damaged by hurricane Katrina. He said that the experience was incredible.

Gary Dougherty brought in photographs of a 1926 model T truck box that he has been rebuilding from white oak.

**Box Contest**

Phillip Baumer (Blake-Clotia), Cindy Miller (DL Armstrong) and Mathew Brunner (DL Armstrong) were the outside judges asked to impartially judge the box contest. The maximum possible score was 150 points.

The categories to be used for the judgment were: Visual Appeal, Finish, Workmanship, Design, and Material Selection

1st place judged award was 25 board feet of purplehart lumber from The Woodshop
2nd place judged award was a Gripper push block from The Big Toolstore
3rd place judged award was two rolls of sticky back sandpaper from DL Armstrong
People’s Choice Award was a Bosch Colt router from Les Hastings

1st place judged – 116 points - John Belt’s Russian Olive inlay box
2nd place judged – 103 points – Royce Wallace’s walnut change bank box

3rd place judged – 100 points – Dan Blair’s walnut and maple box

People’s choice – Royce Wallace’s walnut change bank box

Total list of Entrants

John Belt
Russian Olive inlay box

Bill DeGarmo
Paduk / Maple box

Mike Hutton
Mahogany heart bandsaw box

Royce Wallace
Walnut change bank box

Ray Smith
Maple box w/ tiger eye walnut insert lid

Larry Roth
Walnut / Maple lidded box

Vic Bender
P.O. Box mailbox

Dan Blair
Walnut / Maple half-rounds box

Dan Steckmyer
Oak Jewelry chest

Sandy Fitzig
Turned decorated Poplar box

Sandra Longnecker
Cherry / Maple drawer box

I am sure that I missed some others, but we had a great showing and I think everybody got a kick on admiring what we do as woodworkers.

- Mike
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