



# North Texas Woodworkers Association

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## **Welcome**

**President John Loftis** welcomed everyone to the September meeting of NTWA.

## **Guests**

*Glen Lacey* of Arlington, TX

*Jason Egan* from Ledonia, TX

*Hayden Hobgood* of Carrollton, TX

## **Announcements**

Manny has made new wooden name badges. You can choose either a magnet or pin on the back.

John Loftis has received a book called "The Men Who Made Things Out of Trees". It is on loan now to a NTWA member but will be available in the club library once it's returned.

New Rockler Stores in Frisco and Garland are now open.

## **Shop Questions**

Manny Soomro asked for suggestions for running small pieces (name badges) through a tablesaw. He had kickback and other safety issues running the name badges. Some suggestions included "The Gripper" hold down device, SawStop tablesaw (the not cheapest but 'less expensive than finger' option), use jigs or larger pieces of wood.

John Loftus asked for a safe way to cut metal. A piece of brass inlay exploded while cutting on his chop

saw. Some suggestions were using a negative-rake blade or using a hacksaw. A related reminder was not to use dust collection on the power tool since a hot metal chip could catch sawdust on fire.

Richard Kenyon & John Loftus mentioned a new "handheld" CNC machine viewable on YouTube where scotch-tape was placed on a table to create boundaries.

John Loftus mentioned he had 6 widows needing assistance pricing out their late spouse's tool collections prior to estate sales, etc., since John was unable. As a professional courtesy John reminded anyone assisting in pricing not make a personal offer on equipment or supplies since our job was only to provide pricing assistance. Roger Thompson volunteered to do one in Allen.

John Loftus started a short discussion on Jointer safety as a couple members had 'close-call' jointer accidents including two of John's employees.

## Show & Tell



Fred Sawtell shows off his threaded insert starter jig.



Lisa Hawkins used her scroll saw to make this pendant out of maple.



Ron Giordano made this jewelry box from burl walnut and maple.



Pete Yavner showed off his impressive cutting board with turquoise inlays. He used bird's eye maple, wenge and paduk.



Steve Rodgers made this pair of nightstands. The tops are made of cherry, maple and mesquite.



Richard Kenyon made this walnut end grain cutting board with a wave design in walnut, cherry, maple and purple heart.

The winner for the \$10 show & tell drawing was **Richard Kenyon!**

## **Raffle**

Woodcraft supplied the raffle prizes this month.

Sydney Futrell: 9" wood workers vice

Roger Thompson: 4' LED shop light

Steve Yauch: Silicone Mat

## **Program**



Club member Bob Wheat did a presentation on "Building a Log Cabin." Bob based it on his personal experience from cutting the trees to having them planked to the actual building of the cabin.

Sit back and enjoy the pictures Bob shared of his experience and his beautiful cabin.





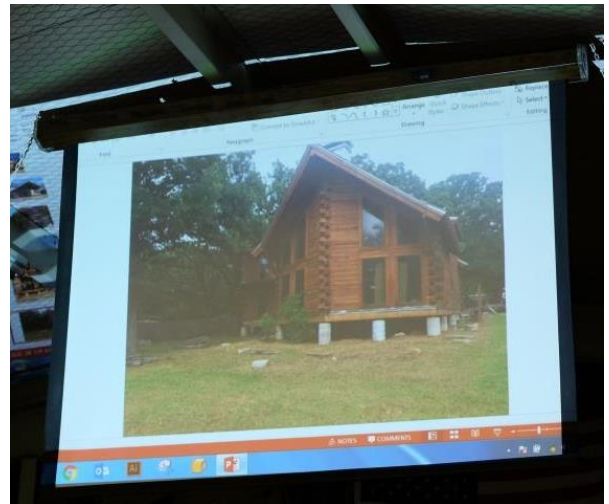
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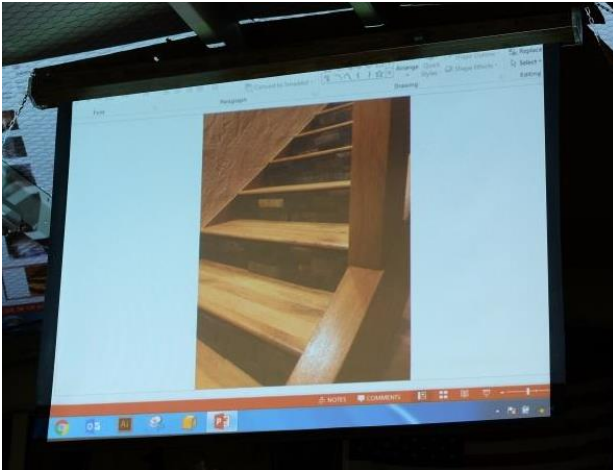
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**Next club meeting:**

**Oct. 18th, 2016**

**7:00 p.m.**

**The Party Barn**

**Doug Ashby –  
Ashby Custom  
Knives**

In addition to a great program on knife making by renowned knife maker Doug Ashby, the club is holding a "**SWAP MEET!**"

Bring in your under-used, surplus or just no-longer-wanted tools, supplies, etc. Lay them out on the stage for members to peruse before the main meeting and during the break.

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***Thanks to cub reporter Jim Cadorette for taking notes of the September meeting in my absence!***