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<u>Welcome</u> President John Loftis



John Loftis welcomed everyone to the November meeting.

Guests

Tom Reynolds was invited to come to the November meeting by his neighbor Carl Medina. Tom is a beginning woodworker.

Scott McKissa heard about NTWA at Rockler and he too is a beginning woodworker.

Announcements

Charles Morrison is looking for help to build olive oil cases for a client. He'll supply the wood and specifications for the cases (see Show & Tell). Charles need to supply 800 and will pay \$4.00 per case. Charles can be contacted at 214-458-6863.

The December meeting will be the semi-annual potluck. John asked for ideas for the grand prize. Mirka 5" electric ROS and a Festool track saw were suggested.

Steve Jenkins has a Dewalt cabinet saw for sale for \$350.

John Loftis has a shaper for sale – cheap! Weighs approximately 500 pounds and can be used for a router table.

Shop Questions

Charlie Barnes is looking for a source for kerosene. He's aware of gallons available from Home Depot. Lowes has 5-gallon containers as well as Tractor Supply. Other suggestions were Northern Tool & some Quik-Trip stations.

Charlie is also looking for places to cut his own Christmas tree.

Munwar Soomro asked about using A/C hose for dust collection and blast gates. The general consensus was that it wasn't a good idea to use the A/C hose and to be sure to buy blast gates with straight connectors instead of tapered. Joe Polich also suggested 4" furnace duct if the collector is under 2 hp.

Lynn Floyd suggested using sapele in place of mahogany since the price of mahogany is so high.



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Show & Tell



Sundar Krishnamodrthy made this secretary desk.



Tom Neiman made frames for collectable posters from MDF. He used 3mm ply for the matting.



Kent McClurg made this end grain cutting board out of walnut, maple and cherry finishing it with a mixture of mineral oil and wax.



Charles Morrison is making several sizes of olive oil cases for a client using cedar.



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Mike Blazer made these double pedestal desks to replace ones he made for his daughters' years ago.



Carl Medina made this "envelope" card table out of African mahogany. The top swivels and the leaves fold up to reduce the size when not in use.



Munwar Soomro turned this pen from coffee beans he mixed with acrylic resin.



Ed Mastin made this cabinet/table for his tabletop drill press. The finish is limed-oak (an agricultural lime mixed with beeswax).



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Jay Stearns won Best of Show -Grand Champion/Director's choice at the Texas state fair with this band sawn box out of 1100 entries! Way to go Jay!

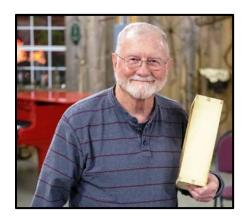


Steve Yauch shows off some quick and easy Christmas gifts. He turned a

sea urchin to make a Christmas ornament. The small box used butt lap joints and the lid used pins for hinges. The small walnut box on the left is a business card holder. Steve says you can make these out of scrap, except for the sea urchin.



Mike Minarzick made this Sam Maloof inspired rocking chair using The Wood Whisperer plans. The Tiger maple rocker is coated with a 3-layer finish: aniline dye, stain and a top coat of lacquer.



Sidney Futrell shows off a box frame he made using his favorite joinery, handcut dovetails.



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Ron Giordano was awarded a 2nd place ribbon at the Texas State Fair with his maple and walnut box with an inlaid top.

The \$10 drawings went to Mike Blazer and Jay Stearns.

Raffle

Carl Medina: 2 Bessey K-Body 31"

clamps

Dan Nilius: Wood River quick action

vise

Jay Stearns: Soft-wax repair kit

Program

The program for this meeting was presented by Sheri Hill of Furniture Medic by VaHill Restore and Cabinets in Carrollton. Sherri has been a Furniture Medic franchisee for two

years and has built a very impressive business.



They fix all wood items with wood flooring their #1 call, usually for splits, cracks, nicks, scratches and dents.

Their #2 call is on cabinets ranging from nicks, scratches, dents, color change, trim and emergency pull-out due to water damage. They have developed a system to leave the counter tops in place when pulling out the bases for repair or replacement.





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Other work they perform include color changes on brick fireplaces, mantles or walls; furniture repair, picture frame repair, banisters, chair backs and a whole variety of other "wood" items.

Furniture Medic requires their franchisees to undergo an extensive training program including:

- 6-week on-line color matching course
- 2-week hands-on training in FM factory
- 3-week at home mentoring by a qualified FM representative

Employees go through a 4-week training program provided by the franchise owner that include owner ride alongs.

After 6 months, there is follow up training for the franchise owner. Sheri says she receives many leads from insurance companies.

They use Mohawk and General Finishes and deep scratches are "burned in" not just wax filled.

Sheri says what sets her franchise apart from other Furniture Medic franchises is that she has a brick and mortar facility with room to bring project inside instead of working out of the client's facility or their garage. She has full-time employees with benefits.

Sheri also says she is always looking for woodworkers to build repair pieces.

Next club meeting: Tues., Dec. 19th 7:00 pm at the Party Barn

Potluck – bring Show & Tell and sign up for side dishes using the link below:

:http://www.perfectpotluck.com/meals.ph p?t=BGXJ0262

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