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Welcome

President Jay Stearns welcomed everyone and decided not to do member introductions tonight due to the length of the program.

Announcements

Steve Jenkins has a tabletop he made for a client whose plans changed. Steve is now selling the 96" x 42" x 1 ½" rift sawn white oak top. Steve will help the buyer build the rest of the table if desired.

Gary Turman brought in items for a garage sale donated from an estate. All proceeds went into the club treasury.

John Loftis brought in a pickup load of cutoffs. "Takers" were asked to make a modest donation to Mr. Loftis.

Wendell asked if we could have a program on dust collection fittings due to the large variety of pipes, hoses and fittings.

Dale Smith is looking for members to do hands-on demo's for club programs.

Jim Polanco won the Jet drill press at the July potluck and wanted everyone to know what a great addition it is to his shop. It has given him greater capacity and accuracy over his benchtop model which he donated to Wally's efforts in Haiti.

Shop Questions

Jay Stearns made a mahogany box that he finished with Danish oil and asked about the top coat he should use. Gary Turman said to use any oil base finish. Dale Smith said to just use more Danish oil. John Loftis said to put a seal coat of unwaxed shellac on it, let it dry for 48 hours, then use the top coat of your choice.

? made a spatula for use with his grill and asked about what finish due to the heat. He wasn't comfortable with CA which he uses for pens. Epoxy was suggested.

John Loftis asked for an easy way to dull a gloss finish without respraying. Rubbing with crumbled brown paper was suggested by several members.

Wally Schlaegel is looking for a manual for a Surtek planer.

Tool Review

Gary Turman asked those who won prizes in the August pick-four raffle to give a review of the tools they picked.

Jay Stearns liked the Stanley hinge self-centering punch saying it works great and accurately locates the center of the screw hole.

Michael Bosley said the Tormek honing compound works faster than the green rouge he previously used. He said the bench mat also worked great.

Show & Tell



Larry Maughan turned this bowl out of spalted maple with some ambrosia.



Bodie Pyndrus made this oak coffee table for a church sponsored apartment. The plan is to make more

for more apartments as a church group project. This was Bodie's first project using through tenons.



Bill Jacobs made 104 of these purple heart cross Christmas ornaments on his scroll saw.



Chris Kersey turned this vase from a Bradford pear tree that fell in his neighbor's yard. The vase is a Christmas present for the neighbor.

He finished it with a seal coat of shellac and lacquer for a top coat.



Dale Smith made this bandsawn box out of aspen using apple wood for the drawer fronts.



Dan Nilus turned five bowls from walnut and a variety of other woods.

The bowl on the left is poplar and purple heart.

And the winner of the \$10 Show & Tell drawing was **Larry Maughan**.

Guests

Michael Petrana has been working wood for four years. He likes to turn pens and make tables and other furniture.

Phil Northern is from McKinney and likes to make furniture. He gets his inspiration from his wife who challenges him to make different pieces.

Raffle

Dale Smith: Avante 10" 24 tooth ripping sawblade

Bill Bush: Woodstock Board Buddie

Bill Jacobs: Matchfit dovetail clamp (donated by Greg Merrell)

Elaine Turman: Rockler 8" handscrew clamps

Owen Haggard: Kreg Automatic self-adjusting clamps

Program

The September program was presented by Dale Smith and Jay Stearns on how to make a bandsawn box. See the step-by-step instructions at the end of this newsletter.

Jay suggests you make a list of the steps to follow as you're making your bandsawn box. They also suggested that you start with a one drawer box



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then work your way up to multiple drawers.

"Everyone seems to always ask about "secret" drawers," said Jay. The "secret" to making them is to treat them as a separate box apart from the rest of your box. Follow the steps to making a bandsawn box only this one will be a single drawer made from one of the drawers you already cut out in steps 7-10 of the following outline put together by Dale Smith.

October Program

NTWA member Nello Armstrong is a retired professional photographer whose clients included many department stores including Neman Marcus. He will be sharing his bag of tricks to help you take the best photos of your projects to share with family, friends and fellow club members.

Next club meeting:

Tues., Oct. 16th

7:00 pm at the

Party Barn

Program:

***Photographing
your projects with
Nello Armstrong.***

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How to make a Bandsaw Box

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How to make a bandsaw box

Step 1 - Select a log



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Logs should be at
about 10%
moisture content.



Cut to size

Dale says to look for wood with character. He prefers softer woods, but harder woods usually have more character. Jay prefers aromatic cedar.

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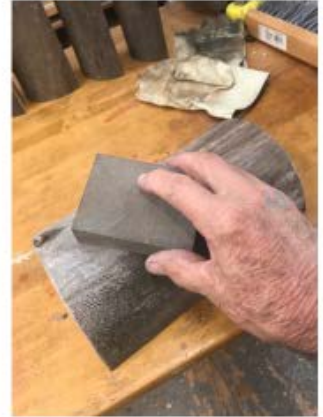
Step 2 - Cut off back and bottom then square pieces up on the jointer.



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You can sand your blank to change the character.



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How to make a bandsaw box

Step 3 – Cut off back and set aside.
Approximately
 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch



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Use a 3/6" blade; 14tpi and round the back of the blade to make tighter turns.



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How to make a bandsaw box

Step 4 – Layout desired drawer pattern

Use your
imagination in
designing your
drawers & layout



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How to make a bandsaw box

Step 5 – Cut out drawers



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Start at the bottom and cut each drawer out. If multiple rows, start at the bottom of each upper drawer. Work back & forth at tight corners.



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Step 6 – Glue on the back panel



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Step 7 – Cut off the front and back of each drawer



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As an option you can cut off the bottom and have the kerf at the back instead of on the bottom.



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Step 8 – Set front and back of drawers aside then mark the inside of the drawer to be cut out



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How to make a bandsaw box

Step 9 – Cut out center of each drawer

**Sand sides of drawers.
Note the ridge on the
bottom of Dale's
drawers that fits into
the kerf of the case.
Don't sand off this
ridge.**



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Step 10 – Glue front and back of drawers onto the cut out drawer



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Step 11 – Complete by adding drawer pulls.
Sand, seal and Flock as desired



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