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Newsletter

September 2022

Welcome

President Jay Stearns welcomed a nice crowd to the September meeting and the lamination challenge.



Announcements

Jay Stearns has a friend selling a dust collection system for \$99. It regularly sells for \$299, but needs bags. Contact Jay for details.

Rhonda Monchibais sent photos of several Delta machines for sale. Her husband is downsizing his shop after a move.

Bodie Pyndus discussed the results from the questionnaire filled out during the August meeting.

Results were members liked Show and Tell, shop questions and programs whereas the bottom 3 were announcements, introductions and the semiannual dinner. Britt Baumel stated the survey was difficult because he liked all the parts of the meeting and that it was hard to rank the different aspects.

Bodie also commented that build challenges were near the bottom and maybe we're remiss in presenting the challenges. He wanted to see more challenges in the future. Members stated they liked Show and Tell to see what others were making and to get new ideas.

Shop Questions

Apparently there were no shop questions.



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Guests

Jake Smith who is into wood carving.

Michael Saint

Garret Garner who has a sawmill and will be presenting a program at October's meeting.

Raffle

Bill Landes: 1Gage set of 4" & 8" squares

Ed Horn: 123 Block Attachment Hardware kit – Taylor Made Tools

Roger McDaniel: Panel square

Glenn Vargas: Ron Brown square

Eric Roberts: Ron Brown grinding gauges

Lamination Build Challenge

President Jay Stearns reported that 15 items were entered. Members voted for 3 categories: People's Choice, Most Creative and Best Execution. Jay Stearns (and his wife mostly) fashioned certificates for the winners. They were laminated in fashion of the challenge. The voting was very close but emerged with three clear winners in each category. \$10 prizes were awarded to the 1st place winner.

People's Choice: First place Gary Turman with a beautifully crafted box with marquetry including his initials. It is also a toolbox. Second in a 4-

way tie: Bodie Pyndus, Jay Stearns, Steve Rogers and TJ Jones.

Best Execution winner was Michael Saint with a diagonal crafted cutting board made from 9 different woods. There was a two-way tie for second with Eric Roberts and Steve Yauch.

Most Creative winner was Jay Stearns with a box crafted with 21 pieces of wood then cut into several layers to give it a "plopped" effect. The top was made with Catalpa with a bit of rattlesnake skin in the knot hole. 2nd was Steve Yauch and 3-way tie for 3rd with Bodie Pyndus, Joe Polich and Dan Nilius.

Jay said it was fun to see the wonderful work and hear the stories of the creative process of each member's project.



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Gary Turman: People's Choice – 1st Place



Jay Stearns: Most Creative Winner – 1st Place



Michael Saint: Best Execution Winner 1st Place

Other entries:



Bodie Pyndus



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Britt Baumel



Dan Nilus



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Eric Roberts



Roger McDaniel



Gary Turman (slap stick – look it up!)



Steve Rogers



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Steve Yauch



Teresa "TJ" Jones



Steve Yauch



Joe Polich



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October Program

Garrett Garner, owner of Clean Slab Customs, is focused on sawing and kiln drying Lumber. He started his business about a year and a half ago after realizing that while there were many sawyers cutting slabs and lumber in the DFW area, the slabs were being sold green or partially air dried. After a year of research, he acquired an iDry Vacuum Kiln as well as a small sawmill.

Since then he's added a second sawmill and has a warehouse full of locally sourced hardwood lumber produced only from salvaged logs. Clean Slab Customs offers custom milling and kiln drying services to the public.

**Next club meeting:
Tues., Oct. 18th
7:00 pm at the Party**

Barn

**5948 McKamy Trail
Plano, TX 75024**

Program:

**Sawmill & Kiln Drying Lumber
Garrett Garner
Clean Slab Customs**

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