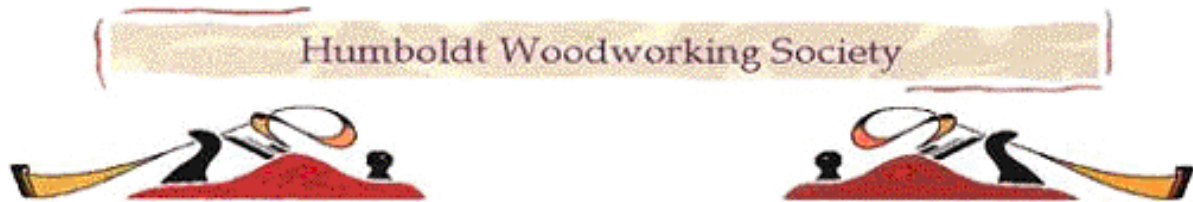


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The Blueprint
Welcome to Humboldt Woodworking Society

The Humboldt Woodworking Society is a group of professional, amateur, and hobbyist woodworkers. We meet monthly to share ideas and techniques, participate in the College of the Redwoods Wood Fair each year and have a good time talking shop and helping one another grow in our craft. Annual dues are \$25.00.

FEBRUARY 2008 NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY MEETING
Thursday, February 28, 2008, 7 PM
Almquist Lumber

The February Meeting will be held at Almquist Lumber located at 5301 Boyd Rd, Arcata. (Just off Giuntoli Lane at Hwy 299)

Many woodworkers with an interest in the environment are faced with a dilemma - the variety of wood grains and colors that we'd like to incorporate in our work is tremendous, but how much do we know about the harvesting of that wood? We'll review some of the different certification systems, the background on wood origins, and options for local woods.

MINUTES - January 31, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 pm by President Dave Kelly at Angelo's Pizza place. The objective of this meeting is to elect new officers.

OLD BUSINESS: Our website needs project photos with individual biographies and the woodworker's photo to go with it. Send them to Michael at www.woodworkers.name. A reminder to continue working on making wood frames for the Wood Fair this year. The dimensions are posted on the website. There will be more discussion of this at future meetings. Dave Ashford suggested that our website address be put at the top of the newsletter.

NEW BUSINESS: The new officers for this year are as follows: President – Larry Holsen; Vice President – Gary Richmond; Treasurer – Dave Ashford; Secretary – Susan Bicknell; Library – Michael Masumoto; Newsletter – Susan Bicknell; Web Site – Michael Masumoto; Program Coordinator – Doralee Smith.

It was suggested that in the newsletter we honor Randy Stowe for his hard work in improving the newsletter and for starting up our website. Thank you, Randy. It was

suggested that we meet with the Woodworkers Guild sometime in the near future. It was suggested to link the society website with any member's websites and vice versa. Dave Kelly spoke about how much he enjoyed his terms as President of the society and that he will continue to be a society member. Larry Holsen spoke about wanting to meet with the board on Thursday, February 7th at 2:00pm at his house (2460 Cherry Ct, Eureka) for a "working meeting".

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

THANKS TO 2007 OFFICERS:

Humboldt Woodworking Society membership expresses thanks to our members who served as officers in 2007. We thank Randy Stowe, Publisher, for his service in 2007 especially for establishing our website and converting our newsletter to electronic format. We thank Sue Ashford for all of her work as program coordinator and librarian. We thank Sharon Richmond for her work as Secretary. We thank Dave Kelley for his contributions as President. And we certainly thank our officers who are continuing to serve for 2008.

OFFICERS AND VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

Dave Ashford	Treasurer	442-9479	davisashford@wmconnect.com
Susan Bicknell	Secretary and Newsletter	768-1975	shbdwb@suddenlink.net
Larry Holsen	President	442-3390	lholsen@sbcglobal.net
Michael Masumoto	Web Page and Librarian	476-9371	kai@acm.org
Gary Richmond	Vice-President	725-3693	ironhorse45@hotmail.com
Doralee Smith	Program Coordinator	825-9010	rivrwomn@suddenlink.net

FUTURE MEETINGS: Doralee Smith, Program Coordinator, is actively seeking suggestions for future programs. If you would like to host a meeting, or if you have a suggestion for a topic for a seminar, panel discussion, or instructional class, please pass them along to Doralee at [rivrwomn@suddenlink.net](mailto:rivrwmn@suddenlink.net) or 825-9010.

March 27 – Joseph Amaral Cabinet Shop at 1320 10th Street, Arcata

April

May 29 – Dennis Musselman's Shop at 1383 Anvick Rd. Arcata

June

July – College of the Redwoods WoodFair

August – Annual BBQ

FUN WOOD TRIVIA: Wood Names

There is always a lot of confusion around the names of wood. There are marketing names that mills use to sell different kinds of wood. And there are common names that woodworkers and gardeners apply to trees and wood. These multitudes of names lead to misunderstanding and myth around wood and its origins. The only name that is unambiguous is the scientific (binomial) name used by botanists.

When you buy a board of Douglas-fir you can be pretty sure you are getting wood from a tree of the species Douglas-fir (*Pseudotsuga menziesii*). But when you buy “fir”, you might be getting Douglas-fir or one of the many true firs like grand fir (*Abies grandis*), or red fir (*Abies magnifica*) or Pacific silver fir (*Abies amabilis*), or in international trade, a host of other *Abies* species. It is important to know which type of fir you are buying because while Douglas-fir is an excellent structural wood, true firs generally are not very strong or dense, and are generally used for pulp. If wood is not clearly labeled as to where it actually came from, ASK THE SELLER!

Appendix 1: Commercial Names for Lumber was published in Understanding Wood by R. Bruce Hoadley in 1980 by The Taunton Press. A copy of the appendix is available for your use on our Website at www.woodworkers.name. The following table is an extract.

Market Name	Alternate Names	Primary Species	Common Name
Poplar	Yellow-Poplar	<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i>	Tulip-poplar
Cottonwood	Poplar	<i>Populus deltoids</i> <i>Populus balsamifera</i> <i>Populus heterophylla</i> <i>Populus trichocarpa</i>	Cottonwood Balsam poplar Swamp cottonwood Black cottonwood
Yellow pine	Hard pine	<i>Pinus ponderosa</i> <i>Pinus contorta</i> <i>Pinus taeda</i>	Ponderosa pine Lodgepole pine Loblolly pine
White pine	Soft pine	<i>Pinus strobus</i> <i>Pinus lambertiana</i> <i>Pinus monticola</i>	Eastern white pine Sugar pine Western white pine
Douglas-fir	Fir	<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i>	Douglas-fir
Fir	True fir	<i>Abies</i> spp.	True fir
Red oak	Some have called this the Erythrobalanus group.	<i>Quercus rubra</i> <i>Quercus velutina</i> <i>Quercus shumardii</i> <i>Quercus coccinea</i> <i>Quercus palustris</i> <i>Quercus phellos</i> , Etc.	Red oak Black oak Shumard oak Scarlet oak Pin oak Willow oak, Etc.
White oak	Some have called this the Leucobalanus group	<i>Quercus alba</i> <i>Quercus macrocarpa</i> <i>Quercus lyrata</i> <i>Quercus stellata</i> , Etc.	White oak Bur oak Overcup oak Post oak, Etc.

FUTURE NEWSLETTERS and WEBSITE INFORMATION:

If you have items of interest that you have written or want to write, wood trivia, shop facts or techniques, items for sale, or photos of your finished projects, please submit them for publication in future newsletters to Susan Bicknell at shbdwb@suddenlink.net or call 768-1975 OR to Michael Masumoto at: kai@acm.org.

LINKS: We want our website to be linked to other websites to give our organization more visibility. If you have a woodworking related website and would like to have it linked to the HWS website, please send the link and a description of your website to Michael at kai@acm.org.

MEMBERSHIP: New members are welcomed at any time into the Humboldt Woodworking Society. Current Members, please share our newsletter with any prospective members. Please use the following form to join.

MEMBERSHIP FORM:

If you have not already paid your dues for 2008, please do so ASAP.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email address _____

Include a check for \$25 and Mail to:
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NOTE: Annual Dues are payable in January for continuing members. New members may join any time and their dues may be prorated.

CLASSIFIED ADS:

Saturday Seminars
10-11am & 2-3pm **FREE**
Woodworking Society Members Receive 10% Off Hardwood Every Sunday!
825-8880
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lumber company
5301 Boyd Rd, just off Giuntoli Lane at Hwy 299

Discount is good until further notice.

ALMQUIST Saturday Classes: We are again pleased to offer a series of seminars on various woodworking topics presented by local professional woodworkers. All Saturday seminars are free, last for one hour, begin at 10 AM, and are repeated at 2 PM.

2/16/2008	How to get a Great Finish	Barry Thorpe
2/23/2008	Sharpening Tools	Sam Gregerson
3/1/2008	Understanding Hardwood Flooring	JoAnn Schuch
3/8/2008	Making your Own Pulls and Handles	Paul Kinsey
3/15/2008	What is Green Building?	Praj White
3/22/2008	Running your woodworking business	Panel of Businesses