



THE BLUEPRINT AUGUST 2009 NEWSLETTER OF 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 WoodFair each year and have a good time talking shop and helping one another grow in our craft. Annual dues are \$25.00.

AUGUST 29 ANNUAL BARBEQUE AND POT LUCK DINNER

WHEN: Saturday, August 29, 2 – 6 pm.

WHERE: Home of Dennis and Phyllis Musselman – 1383 Anvick Rd, Arcata.

DIRECTIONS: **From Eureka**, take Bayside cutoff to Old Arcata Rd. Turn left and drive 1.3 miles north toward Sunnybrae to Anvick Rd. You will see a fireplug on the left and a dirt road (Anvick Rd) leading up to the right. **From Arcata**, take Old Arcata Rd south past the two Sunnybrae traffic circles. Drive ½ mile south of the fireplug at Buttermilk to the next fireplug at Anvick Rd. Turn left. **Once you are on Anvick Rd**, drive slowly .3 mile up through a long curve. Three hundred feet past the curve, a circle driveway will appear on the left just past a chain link fence. House number 1383 is on the front lawn. There is parking at the end of the driveway at the lower (east) entrance to the circle driveway. Other parking is in front of the garage at the upper end of the circle drive and in front of the house.

BARBEQUE AND POT-LUCK DINNER: Paper products and meat will be provided by the Society. Please bring your own drinks of choice and a pot-luck dish to share for each person in your family. There will be an ice chest with ice provided to keep your drinks cold.

PROGRAM: We will have a progress report on planning for WoodFair 2010, and a general discussion of the future of the Society. Proposals under consideration for changes to the society include:

1. Change our mission statement to reflect our evolving emphasis on woodworking education and the promotion and elevation of woodworking activity in the region.
2. Seek and obtain recognition as a charitable and educational non-profit organization meeting Federal Internal Revenue Code Section 501 (c) (3) requirements. Maintenance of this status, once approved, will require filing a report annually with the IRS.
3. Seek and obtain liability insurance to protect our participation in activities like WoodFair.

For additional information contact Stephen Baer at 496-5555 or PacificLaserD@aol.com.

Report on WoodFair 2009

Almquist Lumber Company Our Venue and Hosts: Thank you to the owners, Eric and Mary Almquist, and staff of Almquist Lumber Co. who provided the venue for WoodFair 2009 and spent countless hours and resources rearranging the inventory to make room for WoodFair 2009. It would not have been possible without you!

Attendance: Using the same method of counting that we did in 2008 (distribution of free numbered raffle tickets) we estimate attendance increased from about 2000 to about 3000 for 2009. We distributed 1422 tickets in 2008, and 2123 in 2009.

Vendor Booths: Fully paid vendor booths increased from 12 in 2008 to 22 in 2009. In 2008, there were 3 free vendor booths, and in 2009, 9 free vendor booths.

Food: The Humboldt Wildlife Care Center provided tri tip and hot dog sandwiches, roasted corn on the cob, and beer. They also ran the Hardwood Café, supplying two baristas from Ramones, as well as Ramones baked goods and soft drinks. In addition, Curley's provided Mexican lunch plates with chicken, veggie and steak tacos, beans, rice and Margaritas. Saturday afternoon, an Ice Cream Truck served ice cream novelties. We had about 10,000 square feet of lawn space set up with potted flowers and trees, tables and chairs for people to eat at. In addition, there was a table for small children to play with blocks and crayons and paper.

Demonstrations and Seminars: In 2008, there were a total of 13 demonstrations scheduled and presented. They included marquetry and inlay, wood bending, wood turning, and tool demonstrations from Festool and Delta/Porter Cable/DeWalt. The presenters were not compensated. In 2009, 25 free demonstrations and seminars were scheduled. Two were cancelled because the presenters were unable to attend. Six of the presenters were compensated with \$100 honoraria each.

Local Hardwoods: Among the seminars were two presentations and a panel discussion regarding local hardwoods. This program attracted the attention of 6 local hardwood mills and retailers. The purpose of this initiative was to strengthen the links between the suppliers of local hardwoods and the woodworkers who ought to be featuring locally produced hardwoods in their work. These mills and retailers spent a good deal of their time talking to each other, but their presence at WoodFair was noticed by many woodworkers. Two of the suppliers had booths in which they sold hardwood lumber. We hope to build on this initiative in 2010.

Woodworking Classes: In 2008, there were no woodworking classes scheduled in conjunction with WoodFair. For 2009, There were 13 woodworking Classes scheduled. Forty seven students enrolled. Classes included Woodturning 1, 2, and 3; Marketing 1, 2, and 3; OSHA Safety; Restoration of Historic Windows; Woodworking 101; Basic Carpentry for Women; Marquetry; Decoy Carving; and Shop Sawn Veneers. Three classes were cancelled for low enrollment (OSHA Safety, Decoy Carving, and Marquetry). Gross income from the classes was \$4545.00 which was used primarily to pay instructors.

Exhibition Entries and Awards: Thirty eight exhibitors entered 51 works in the juried exhibition (up about 20% from 2008). Five judges awarded 27 prizes and \$3600 in prize money. We extend our thanks to our jurors for sharing their expertise and for their careful consideration and painstakingly difficult judgment:

Bert Hafar, Head Judge, Associate Faculty, College of the Redwoods, Eureka

Paul Kinsey, Professor, College of the Redwoods, Eureka

Dave Stevens, Woodworking Instructor, Eureka High School

Leonard Bechler, Woodworker and Graduate of the Colleg of the Redwoods, Mendocino, Fine Woodworking Program

Bill McClay, Woodturner

Congratulations to the winners in each category:

Best of Show

Jason Straw: Incunabula (Rosewood, Pear, Madrone Burl and Port Orford Cedar Cabinet)

Most Creative

Jean-Luc Thornton: Elixia (Purple Heart Mermaid in Granite, Copper and Glass Fountain)

Fine Furniture and Cabinetry

First: Matthew Bunnell: Chest of Drawers (Walnut with Macassar Ebony Stand)

Second: Greg Jurens: Elliptical Table with Drawers (Zebrawood, Wenge, and Ash)

Third: Heather Trosdahl: Pinwheel Café Table (Woven pinwheel Parquetry Top with Pinwheel Pedestal Base of Kwila)

Student: Kai Herd: Spring (Occasional Table of Bubinga, Wester Maple and Pear)

Honorable Mention:

Susan Bicknell: Yellow Orchid Demilune (Red and White Birch with Marquetry)

John Einloth: Big Oval Cabinet (Walnut and Madrone)

Dan Graziani: Hall Table (Mahogany and Eastern Maple)

Mat Isaac: Desk (Walnut and Bubinga)

Ari Lane: Bureau (Jatoba)

Ben Williams: Mission Dining Table (Wenge and Jatoba)

Sculpture and Carving

First: Rip Kirby: Bass Player, Drummer, Sax Player, Trumpet Player (Walnut)

Second: Craig Barnes: The Green Man Pedimental Ornament (Jelutong)

Third: Gloria Dinsmore: American Kestral (Tupelo)

Student: Jason Straw: Brain Matter (Ebony)

Honorable Mention: Monica Shell: Free Spirit Statue (Flame Redwood)

Woodturning

First: Tony Chess: Vessel (Mineralized Canyon Live Oak)

Second: Tony Chess: Bowl (Quilted Red Gum Eucalyptus)

Third: Wayne Roe: Platter (Myrtle)

Honorable Mention: Tony Chess: Geode (Madrone Burl)

All Other Woodworking

First: Larry Dern: Cedar Strip Kayak

Second: Troy Hedland: Two Bows, Asiatic Recurved and Long Bow (Tigerwood)

Third: Susan Bicknell: Red Daylilies Marquetry (Many woods)

Student: Will Madaras: Violin (Spruce, Maple, Ebony)

Honorable Mention:

Robert Kammerer: Bench (Spalted Chinquepin Natural Round with Black Oak Base)

Steve and Marilyn McKinney: Band Saw Jewelry Box (Bubinga and Rosewood)

Prize Sponsors: Many thanks are extended to our prize sponsors. They deserve recognition for their generosity supporting WoodFair 2009. The following businesses, organizations, and individuals made donations totaling \$3800 for cash awards for the exhibition winners:

College of the Redwoods

Almquist Lumber

Humboldt Woodworking Society

Arcata Millworks

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Crestmark Architectural Millwork

Custom Cabinets of Fortuna

Environmental Technology, Inc.

Forbes Cabinets

Humboldt Redwood Co., LLC

John and Barbara MacEvoy

L. E. A. F. Living Education and Art Foundation

Mad River Woodworks

Northern California Safety Consortium

Pierson's Building Center

Rosebud Woodworking

Media Sponsors:

The Arcata Eye

KHUM, The Point, and KSLG

News Channel 3

The Headwaters Fund through SBDC

Special Sponsorships:

Eureka Heritage Society supported the Window Restoration Class

Pierson's Building Center supported the class in Basic Carpentry for Women

Humboldt State University Department of Forestry and Wildland Resources printed our large format informational signs. Thank you to George Pease.

Raffle: We distributed 2123 free raffle tickets and sold \$865.50 worth of additional tickets. The prizes for the raffle were donated, and were valued at an estimated total of \$500. Thanks are extended to individuals who donated raffle prizes. There were 20 raffle prizes donated and unfortunately there was no master list made of the contributors. This is a partial list:

Ahn Fielding for College of the Redwoods
Bert Hafar
Harvey Raider
Doralee and Chris Smith
Mark Berner of Kreg Tools
Barry and Linda VanSickle of B & L Enterprises

Volunteers Who Assisted with Various Aspects of WoodFair 2008: There are many individuals who deserve thanks for volunteering their time and services to make WoodFair 2009 a success. We thank them, and apologize for omitting any names that escaped our attention. WoodFair 2009 was a success because members of Humboldt Woodworking Society and others contributed their time and talents. All volunteers were asked to sign a release form, and those who did are listed here. Thank you to:

Jody Rusconi	Terry Gustino	Doug Boileau
Lee Rusconi	Bill McClay	Diane Dickinson
John Kelsey	JoAnn McMurty	Elizabeth Harper-Lawson
Lisa Kelsey	Terrah Owens	Cody Riffle
Linda Parkinson	Christina Varian	Troy Loncelmarn
Bill Hole	Kelly Corder	Maria Kuder
Jerry Kermode	Ben Goodlad	Linda VanSickle
Deborah Kermode	Wayne Marko	Paula Tweedy
Joel McCoy	Stephen Baer	Aaron Turner
JoAnn Schuch	Susan Bicknell	Brandy Link
Sandy Dardenelle	Harvey Raider	David Carr
Leonard Bechler	Dave Stevens	Paulina Petersen
Kathryn Johnson	Elliott Dabill	Melinda Walker
Ed Nazemi	Dan Vallergera	Lizetter N. Acuna
Teresa San Filippo	Mike Taylor	Malcolm Carpenrer
Doralee Smith	Terry Huff	Monica Shell
Dana Groven	Mike Law	Donald Bicknell
Walter Temmasi	Kai Herd	Merry Maloney
Marcelo Giacomini	Susan Ashford	Benjamin Kelly
Bob McKee	David Kelley	Chris Peichel
Eric Felhaber	Nanetter Kelley	Linda Anderson
Barry Smith	Tavish Kelley	Claudia Brugaletta
Gretchen Sudlow	Becky Mosgofian	John Onstine
Jim Swallow	John Shelly	Andy Mechly

Minutes: WoodFair Steering Committee

July 27, 2009, 6:30 pm. Home of Dave Ashford

Present: Dave Ashford, Eric Almquist, Susan Bicknell, Doralee Smith, Lynn Dixon, Bert Hafar, Steve Baer, Harvey Raider, Don Bicknell (Guest)

1. Susan Bicknell presented a report on WoodFair 2009 including a statistical comparison with 2008 and a financial report. Attendance was 150% of 2008. Revenue from raffle and donations was \$ 2121.70. We had 31 vendors, and 38 exhibitors, both substantial increases from 2008. There were 23 free demonstrations and seminars compared to 13 in 2008. We offered 13 woodworking classes in 2009. Preliminary accounting indicates a net balance of just over \$5000 after deductions of all allocated and unallocated expenses.

2. It was moved and seconded to reimburse Susan Bicknell for documented unallocated expenses for WoodFair 2009 from revenues generated from 2009. Motion passed unanimously.

3. There was a general discussion of WoodFair 2009 and its strengths and weaknesses and potential changes:

WoodFair Tasks

WoodFair Constituencies

WoodFair Calendar

College of the Redwoods Role

Potential Changes:

Fee structure

Exhibition categories

Change "Student Award" to support for High School Show

Boat show separate from WoodFair

Children's activities

Have demonstrations scattered throughout WoodFair

Rethink "flier." Have several fliers. (general, vendors, exhibitors, classes)

Get recognized as 501 (c) (3)

Get liability insurance

Separate WoodFair coordinator and secretary

Purchase graphical software and web design software for society

Raffle: Get a bunch of clipboards for people to write on the raffle tickets; set up raffle in a different place; have one person responsible for the raffle (Doug Boileau?)

Rearrange vendor space: Move Freud Truck to where boat show was; move wood stacks from near door in softwood warehouse to create more space there, move food vendors to opposite side of green.

Have WoodFair appropriate music and more social interaction.

4. Despite the fact that it is unknown what the role of CR might be in future WoodFairs, it was agreed that we should move forward with WoodFair 2010 with the same basic arrangements and assumptions as for 2009. Eric Almquist expressed his willingness and enthusiasm, despite the immense amount of work and disruption to his business, to host WoodFair 2010. It was generally agreed that Boat Show should be separate from WoodFair and Eric expressed his desire to hold Boat Show every other year and in the spring.

5. It was moved and seconded to set July 10 and 11, 2010, as the dates for WoodFair 2010. Motion passed unanimously.

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MEMBERSHIP FORM:

New members are welcomed at any time into the Humboldt Woodworking Society. Current Members, please share our newsletter with any prospective members. Use this form to join and/or to pay dues for continuing members. Annual Dues are payable in January for continuing members. New members may join any time and their dues may be prorated

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Email address _____

Mail with a check for \$25 to Humboldt Woodworking Society, PO Box 626, Arcata, CA 95518-0626

CLASSIFIED ADS:

Local Hardwoods: Local hardwoods are available from Ken Forden of Whitethorn Construction. For hardwood supplies or more information about local hardwoods and what can be done with them, call Ken at 986-7412. Ken Forden will be at WoodFair with some of his lumber for you to see and purchase.

GREEN BUILDING SUPPLIER

Almqvist
lumber company

5301 Boyd Rd, just off Giuntoli Lane at Hwy 299
825-8880

Humboldt Woodworking Society members receive 10% off hardwood every Sunday!

Discount good until further notice.
Please show your membership card to receive the discount.

For Sale: (1) Twelve inch heavy duty table saw. Craftsman. 220 volt with high quality carbide blade. \$195
(2) Twelve inch heavy duty radial arm saw. Craftsman. 220 volt. With high quality carbide blade. \$195
(3) Craftsman Heavy Duty 8-speed drill press. \$95
(4) Craftsman 12” Bandsaw \$95
(5) Craftsman 1 ½ HP 20 Gal compressor, Twin Cyl. 150 PSI. ASME rated tank \$75.
Contact Merle McDougall 707 499-1597.