



The Blueprint

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Humboldt Woodworking Society Newsletter

The Humboldt Woodworking Society is a group of professional, amateur, and hobbyist woodworkers. We meet monthly to share ideas and techniques, organize member woodworking sales and shows, present WoodFair each year, and have a good time talking shop and helping one another grow in our craft. The purpose of HWS is to foster the growth of woodworking skill within the North Coast region and support education in woodworking. Annual dues are \$25.00.

October 28 Meeting

Hands-on Demonstrations & Discussion

WHEN: Thursday, October 28th from 7pm to 9pm

HOST: Joel McCoy

WHERE: Redwood Ecotectural, Custom Cabinets / Fine Furniture, Paper Stone Countertops,
4 W. Fourth Street, Eureka, CA, (707) 362-0087

DIRECTIONS: The same building as the Alternative building center with shop entrance in back alley, double red doors next to Eureka Co-Op.

PROGRAM: This is an educational meeting to expand our woodworking techniques and design possibilities. Bring your notebook and your own beer, juice, water or whatever! Other light refreshments are provided. Joel will help us explore the use of re-sawn veneers, and lumber in general, and their application to flat and curved panels. This is a method that can open the doors of many exciting design possibilities, while spreading the beauty of one plank into a harmonious spread of colors and patterns throughout a project. Joel will also discuss the benefits of creating your own dimensionally stable panels out of local woods, which are not commercially available, so you can have a surface that is substantial enough to scrape, sand and hand plane without fear of burning through a paper thin commercial veneer.

Topics will include:

- Tune up and dial in a band saw for accurately cutting shop sawn veneers and solid stock resawing
- Book matching and slip matching veneers
- How to vacuum and mechanical press veneers onto flat substrate panels and over curved forms
- How to make curved forms quickly and accurately
- Use of veneers with a current project of Black Acacia, which also incorporates hand cut dovetails, and fine hardware.

Logistics team meeting report

September 30, 2010

Present: Susan Bicknell, Stephen Baer, Bert Hafar, Dennis Burges, Joel McCoy, and Don Bicknell

1. Susan presented the WoodFair 2010 report, and reported on all of the personal thank yous that have been sent.
2. Susan gave the financial report for WoodFair 2010. When all expenses and income for the last three years of WoodFair in which Humboldt Woodworking Society was involved are assigned to the appropriate years, the balance sheet is:

	WoodFair 2008	WoodFair 2009	WoodFair 2010
Income	\$ 6111.73	\$ 9846.45	\$ 15,252.16
Expense	\$ 3800.00	\$ 8088.65	\$ 15,205.45
Net	\$ 2311.73	\$1,757.80	\$ 46.71
Balance in WoodFair Account	\$ 2311.73	\$ 4069.53	\$ 4116.24

3. Susan led a discussion to identify problems and possible solutions/changes for WoodFair 2011. The following suggestions received strong support:
 - Have a Welcome Booth at front door or in middle of parking area/vendor area for information, map distribution, candy...
 - Post maps at principal entry points
 - Distribute free raffle tickets – one per attendee, to count people and to generate buzz for raffle
 - Do not put prices on the exhibition cards in the gallery. Exhibitors may supply price information on their own.
 - Honorable Mentions should be need based on reaching sponsorship goals. We should have 10 honorable mentions
 - No BBQ
 - Masters' category without prizes in the exhibition
 - Move exhibition to the softwood warehouse to provide additional space, better security, and enhanced traffic flow in retail space and less infringement on retail space.
 - Move musicians to Vendor A well under roof
 - Provide children's activities
 - Set up HWS booth, raffle, auction, sales of fund raisers in gallery space
 - Move woodturning to outdoor space
4. The following divisions, categories and prizes were approved for the WoodFair 2011 Exhibition:
Best Woodworking with Local Hardwoods - \$400
Most Creative - \$400

Best of Show - \$400

Masters' Division with First, Second and Third place ribbons but no cash prizes

Fine Woodworkers' Division with 5 categories -- First (\$250), Second (\$200), and third (\$150) in each category:

- Fine Furniture
- Cabinetry and Casework
- Woodturning
- Sculpture and Carving
- All Other

Novice Division -- First (\$250), Second (\$200), and third (\$150)

Honorable Mentions (ten total) will be given at Judges discretion, and will receive cash prizes depending on funding.

5. Susan presented a budget proposal which was approved with the amendment that there would be no BBQ and therefore no income or expense from the BBQ. The fee schedule is unchanged from 2010 except that there will be no price breaks for members, fees will be charged for chairs and tables, and there will be no entry fee for novices. Simplified late fees will continue, and Vendors may enter exhibition for half the usual fee. The motion to approve the budget was passed unanimously with the proviso that Susan has the discretion to modify the budget as needed with reason.
6. Susan identified a list of tasks that can be delegated and for which volunteers are sought.
7. Susan presented a calendar of work items for WoodFair 2011.

Board of Directors' Report

Humboldt Woodworking Society Board of Directors Report, HWS Board of Directors Meeting - September 2, 2010

Present: Steve Baer, Susan Bicknell, Don Bicknell, Lynn Dixon, Bert Hafar, Joel McCoy, Harvey Raider.

1. Minutes of previous BOD meeting approved unanimously without corrections.
2. Treasurer's report: Don Bicknell presented a Balance sheet and WoodFair accounting report. Highlights are shown below. About \$1000 of unpaid bills are still outstanding (mainly the CR printing and a radio station advertisement) and a small amount of tuition has yet to be collected. CR has not yet sent us our share of the revenues from WoodFair classes (approx. \$250). Of major note, there was a dramatic increase monies collected in the silent auction. This year's silent auction is new to WoodFair and yielded significant income for the scholarship fund.

Balance Sheet as of September 1, 2010

Checking and US Bank	
April show Account	6.01
General Fund Account	2,569.06
Holiday Gift Gallery Account	-70.00
Scholarship Account	1,445.80
WoodFair Account	3,910.82
Checking at US Bank- other	0.00
TOTAL CHECKING at US BANK	\$7,861.69

3. Next General Meeting will be at Whitethorn on Sept 25th. Members are to save the Oct 28th date for the next general meeting. Joel will send details soon.
4. Holiday Gift Gallery & the April show – a team of “apprentice” event coordinators will be meeting with Susan to begin learning how to run the Holiday gift gallery at Almquist in December and the April Show. This will eventually free Susan so she can concentrate solely on WoodFair. The volunteers include Verne Frost, Joel McCoy, Steve Baer, Lynn Dixon, Bert Hafar, and Harvey Rider.

5. Proposed new goal: Free WoodFair classes were discussed as means of further fulfilling the educational community outreach function found in our mission statement. Because this would require a great deal more fund raising (revenues have been lessened due to our new non-profit status and its subsequent limitations in charging for some activities. It was felt that at the present time, the board cannot take on any added tasks, especially given the current economic downturn. Joel also suggested we consider a woodworking summer camp for children, which will be discussed again.
6. The board discussed an additional discussion item of a possible mission expansion – Should or do we want to assist other community nonprofit service organizations in their woodworking needs? It was decided to table this discussion for a year, until we are more settled with all the new changes.
8. New business
 - a. Humboldt Redwood Company, LLC funding deadline is November 11th.
 - b. Steve, Susan and Lynn requested an updated membership list from Bert.
 - c. Steve and Bert will man a woodworking booth at the Henderson Fair on the 18th of September.
 - d. Steve volunteered to assist Susan in sending out thank you cards to those who donated to the scholarship fund (A photo copy of these letters will be needed for the Treasurer's file).

Next meeting will be at Don Bicknell's office at 5:30PM on Oct 14th.

FUTURE MEETINGS and EVENTS

When	Who or What	Where
October 28 th at 7PM	Redwood Ecotectural, Custom Cabinets & Fine Furniture, Paper Stone Countertops,	4 W. Fourth Street. Eureka CA
October 29 th at 1PM	Lynn Dixon's for the Logistics Team Meeting	603 Ole Hanson Road, Eureka (Ole Hanson is ¼ mile north of the Indianola Cutoff/Old Arcata Rd/ Myrtle Road circle junction; yellow house on the right ½ mile up Ole Hanson)
November 11 th	BOD Meeting	Almquist
November 20 th from 2-5 (Date is tentative)	Wood tool Sharpening Workshop	College of the Redwoods
January 20 th	Annual General Meeting	Plaza Grill (location is tentative)

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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

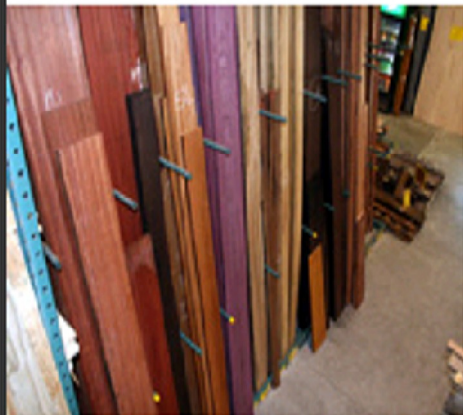
Local Hardwoods are available from Ken Forden of Whitethorn Construction. For hardwood supplies or more information about local hardwoods and what can be done with them, call Ken at 986-7412



Almquist
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.