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Presidents Column

By Jay Perinne



Musings on new and exciting old as we start the new

year..,

So we start 2018 in SBWW with your old President but several new officers including the one putting out this newsletter (thank you Bill Henzel).

I'm finishing the 'old' year with a few days R & R in Pismo Beach and Santa Barbara where I write this note. On the way into Santa Barbara yesterday we drove along Route 154 and viewed some of the burned devastation from the Thomas Fire. It got me thinking about (speculating) what happens to the standing timbers that have been charred. Now fifteen years ago I bought redwood timbers from our then-member Sal who owns a Woodmizer. Sal had an interesting arrangement in that he 'parked' his Woodmizer mill at a friend's property off Skyline Drive not too far from Syd's place) and somehow 'harvested' many redwood trees that had been killed in the Santa Cruz mountains fires (I say fires as I believe some spots got hit twice with fires up there). Sal milled me five (I needed 4 but one had termites) 3x12's twenty feet long for my pergola in my patio. Then he milled me about fifteen 'blades' of redwood 2x12" to complete the wooden portion of my pergola. My 'impression' (could be speculation) is that the 'authorities' don't make available the burned trees until a

This Meeting

Tuesday
January 23

By
Tom Kenyon &
LeRoy Nelson

At
The Saratoga
Federated Church
at 7:00 pm

Next Meeting

Tuesday
February 27

By
Rich Winslow

**Think about your shop
experience of the last month
and give us a 10 second
explanation of something
important you learned.**

growing season has passed in case they come back (survive)

(Now back home): The burned trees I viewed driving by the devastation from the Thomas Fire is that there may be many live oaks in that mix, I spoke out

loud about this to Jennifer just as we drove and she at that moment pointed to the Entering National Forest' sign - so at least in that area near Santa Barbara the 'authority' would be the Federal government. Only the future holds whether standing timber will be available and No idea whether any of us can benefit as I did indirectly from our local forest fire. Something to watch in the New Year.

Hopefully Santa was good to our members and we own some new tools! I'm thinking this year could be the first one that one of our own members buys a CNC machine (mostly because prices are now reasonable and technology seems to have stabilized!). Looking forward to another interesting year of presentations.

Jay

This Month's Program:

Christmas Party



MYSTERY BOWL:

As in the past, Tom Kenyon provided a bowl containing an unknown number of objects. As it turns out, there were 25

baubles and 3 crystal balls in the bowl that he made. The members were encouraged to guess the correct number of each. Last year we had a tie and so to prevent the same thing happening, he came up with the idea of having two groups in the bowl. It was a gallant effort, but we still ended up with a tie and resorted to a coin toss to determine that Larry Petulla was the winner of the bowl.

GIFT EXCHANGE:

Again, as in the past, member-made objects were brought in to be exchanged. This year there were only two items to exchange. So Pam Kenyon now has a well made Christmas tree ornament while Florence Winslow came away with a beautiful segmented bowl.

Show and Tell:



Tom Kenyon brought in five turned segmented bowls all of the same design. The side of each segment was set off by a thin piece of contrasting wood. They were made of maple, maple and yellow-heart, walnut, mahogany, and cherry.

He also gave us an update of the Thomas Moser style chair project that he is doing for his daughter. The chair seat was almost completed and was only missing the angled relief cut to the front. One unusual feature of his chair was that only four of the back spindles were glued making the back somewhat flexible. He also showed two turned legs with their bent laminate supports attached.

Ed Vincent showed off a sample of this year's Christmas gifts that he calls "spoon moods". It consists of a walnut base with contrasting wood that holds wooden spoons in such a way that might suggest your mood. In one orientation, the concave surfaces face each other while the other orientation has the spoons facing away from each other.

Syd Dunton described his set of three nesting tables where the tops were made from natural edged yew and the bases were made from black acacia. The wood was obtained from Jackel's in Watsonville.

He also showed pictures of three sculptures. The pieces were made from MDF and covered with various hardwoods. One that was called "split" was made from avocado, the second had a covering of laurel burl and was called "royal forms", while the third was called "rocker" and was made from buckshot hickory. All three were treated with aniline dye.

He brought in a fourth sculpture that he calls "matchsticks". It has numerous 2" X 2" MDF pieces attached to each other in various orientations to depict a loose pile of sticks. Each piece was covered with various sized rectangles of hardwood such as maple, holly, and walnut that

were finished with Minwax cherry stain and with polyurethane.

Syd credits his wife with creating the names for his sculptures.



Chuck Aring brought in a Sam Maloof style armed dining room chair made from black walnut. He felt that the angle of the back would have been more comfortable while eating if it had been more vertical.



Program Committees	
Date	Members
January 23	Tom Kenyon LeRoy Nelson
February 27	Fred Sotcher Rich Winslow
March 27	
April 24	
May 22	
June 26	
July 24	
August 28	
September 25	
October 23	
November 27	
December	Officers
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Next Program Committee

Please take the ice chest home after the meeting

Refreshment Suggestions

Variety of Soft Drinks

Water, Regular, Diet, Caffeine-Free, Juices

Varied Snacks: Donuts, Cookies, Chips, Nuts