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Presidents ColumnBy Jay Perrine

W oodworkers,

Summer is just about upon us. There are many woodworking conferences and summer woodworking and woodturning classes around the country and hoping many of you will have an opportunity to participate in these learning experiences.

The Furniture Society is holding their Conference in SF this year in mid-June. AAW is holding their Conference this year in Portland. The College of the Redwoods (renamed Krenov School of Fine Woodworking) which is located in Fort Bragg is offering classes with lower tuition. I am hoping many of you will get to a summer class which could be possibly part of a vacation. I am looking forward to hearing about what you learned in future meetings! Here's to exciting summer and woodworking classes for SBWW's!!

May Program:

Don McKell described how he created two round tables for his cabin. He used white oak for the legs and white oak and walnut veneer for the marquetry pattern on the top. The legs were cut from 1" by 6" white oak boards. The four slats per leg were reduced in size to a final thickness of 3/8" at one end to 3/16" at the other end. The tapering of the slats was performed on the jointer.



Don set up a steaming station in his backyard that consisted of a large pressure cooker sitting on a propane fired camp stove with a hose leading to the end of a 4" ABS pipe. After steaming, four slats were pressed together in a MDF form using his bench vise. They were first pressed together without glue then, when dry, were pressed together again using epoxy glue.

The next step was to cut the taper on both sides of the legs. This was done on the bandsaw with the concave side of the leg facing the table. The sides of the legs were then cleaned up with the use of a belt sander.

The base for the round top is MDF that is covered with commercially available white oak and walnut veneer. The 3/16" thick skirt was steamed as one 6' length

then cut into three sections. The ends of the skirts fit into grooves cut into the top of the legs. Caps were then added to the top of the legs to hide the groves. Knees were added to the underside of the tabletop to strengthen the joint with the legs.



SHOW AND TELL

Dennis Yamamoto brought in a sample of the loose tenon joint that he used on his entry door that he talked about at last month's meeting. The core of the sample is Weyerhaeuser's laminated strand board (LSL) with thick veneers of mahogany covering the outside. The tenons are made from hard maple.



The Furniture Society is having their annual conference in San Francisco from Thursday, June 13 through June 16. The venue is the Dogpatch Studios, 991 Tennessee St., San Francisco, Ca. 94107. Go to www.furnsoc.org for more details.

The summer program at The Krenov School of Woodworking will offer two classes this year. The tools and techniques class designated as wod-70A, Introduction to woodworking, will be offered from June 4 through June 22. Create a wall cabinet is labeled wod-70B, Introduction to woodworking II, and will be offered from June 25 to July 13. Both classes are headed up by Jim Birdlong and the cost of the classes are smaller than they used to be. For more information, visit www.thekrenovschool.org

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committee schedule		

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