



Newsletter

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Toy Show

December 14 and 15,
Friday and Saturday

Agenda:

Set up Friday afternoon and early Saturday morning.

Show open to public, Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Presentation of toys to "Toys for Tots", Saturday 6:30 p.m.

Following the presentation will be a covered dish dinner and Christmas party with entertainment.

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From the President ...

Gentlemen,

I hope that those who attended last month's meeting enjoyed yourself and learned as much as I did. Brad Packard's demonstration of cutting dovetails on a tablesaw was outstanding. Ronnie Acton must also be congratulated on his hospitality and tasty refreshments. The turnout was great; the headcount was 91.

Our November meeting will also be at Acton Moulding & Supply. The feature of this meeting will be a hands-on workshop for toymaking. Ronnie Acton has been generous enough to make available all of his Inca tools: Bandsaw, Jointer-planer, and Table Saw. In addition, his inventory of Hegner scroll saws will be available for any special cutting of toy parts that you may need to do. I encourage all of you to bring toy plans or toys that you are working on to the November meeting.

In this newsletter you will find an entry form for the Toy Show. Please fill it out and return it to us as soon as possible. We need this information to make final plans and to take care of all the details. Your prompt response will insure a successful show.

By the way, the *Birmingham News* and Channel 13 has shown a great interest in our show and there is a good possibility they will be at the November meeting.

I recently saw an article in the *Houston, Texas Woodworkers Guild Newsletter* that interested

me. Guild members periodically hold short seminars or workshops. This ongoing project allows many members to share their knowledge about various phases of woodworking.

These seminars are usually half-day or one-day weekend sessions. At every guild meeting a list of members willing to teach, the subject matter and meeting times are posted. Members can then choose which subject they would like to know more about and attend the seminar.

This method of sharing knowledge and skills works, and would be a terrific way for our members to get better acquainted. Why don't we give it a try. Included in this newsletter is a mini-workshop form. Fill it out; send it in; and let's get the ball rolling. Possible Ideas: Use of jigs, lathe work, bowl turning, dovetails, sanding and finishing techniques, cutting tapers, cabriole legs and carving.

Your knowledge and ideas, no matter how insignificant they might seem, can benefit all of us. See you in November.

Thanks,
Spruce McRee

Next Meeting

The November meeting will be held at Acton Moulding, Millwork & Tool, Thursday, November 8 at 7:00 p.m.

