

TWA NEWS

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MAY PROGRAM CALIFORNIA WOODWORKER LON SCHLEINING

Lon Scheleining, from Long Beach California will present the May program. Detailed information on Lon can be found elsewhere in the Newsletter. Please remember that this is a **FRIDAY** evening program.

The meeting starts at 7:30 at the Cary High School cafeteria. Prior to the meeting, at 6:00 pm some of us gather at Ryans at Crossroads Mall on North Walnut Street. We normally meet out front, but if you are late, we are in the back towards the right. **All are welcome.** If you need directions to either the high school or the restaurant, please call the editor (Ron Johnson at home 544-2021 or work 854-6210).

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 18 – Friday evening 7:30 Lon Schleining, Long Beach, CA. Cary high School

May 18 (Tentative) and 19 Workshop on routers

May 20 Workshop on tablesaws, Dave Bubacz workshop

June 9 – Deadline for Newsletter

June 19 --- Annual Dinner Meeting and Show and Tell. Stay tuned for details as to date and location.

July 17, Tuesday, 7:30 Monthly meeting, Cary High School. Finishing



Bruce Wrenn talks about different types of adhesives (that's glue to us common folks) at the April meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance	April	1,	2001	\$7,896.76
Income				\$328.77
Expenses				\$(539.98)
Balance	April	30,	2001	\$7,685.55

Respectfully submitted,
Rick Fox

CLASSIFIEDS - Classified ads are free to all current members. If you would like something listed, please send a note to the editor.

For Sale – Delta variable speed wood lathe. Constructed of fine-grained cast iron. Weighs 410 lbs. Floor stand for outboard work. Heavy duty live center. 8 Sorby turning tools. All like new \$1,200. Call John Row 542-1694 in Pittsboro.

For Sale – Table saw – 10 in Craftsman with steel legs and dust collector. Call Noel Butzke 233-2905

TWA HISTORY - Tom Hurysz, TWA Historian, is writing the history of our Association from its beginning to the present time. If members have any documents, news articles or special memories of events please contact Tom at 489-1606 or hurysz@mindspring.com. He would appreciate any contributions you may have. In addition to the document being used for the permanent TWA file, we are thinking of focusing on this subject at the June banquet. Come on, you old timers, dig into your files and come up with something.

Charlie Main

MENTOR PROGRAM

I will be coordinating the mentor program that was started last year. Diane provided a list of people (4) who are willing to be mentors and a list of people (12) who have particular skills they would like to develop. At our February meeting, I will update this list. I would also like to hear your ideas on how mentoring would best meet your needs. Is it one-on-one help with particular projects/problems or perhaps a series of workshops taking a small project through from start to finish. I will make my shop available to anyone who would be willing to teach a particular skill or lead a workshop for a small project. Please come prepared to share your ideas on how best to improve our skills.

Dave Mackie (859-2600)

The Triangle Woodworkers Association is a nonprofit educational corporation dedicated to teaching woodworking techniques through seminars, classes, and workshops; promoting woodworking education and community interest in woodworking and in general sharing a love for wood.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

IMPORTANT - Check your newsletter label for the expiration date of your membership. If it says EXPIRED 3, this is the last newsletter you will receive. You will receive three newsletters past your expiration date and then no more. If you have a question about your membership, please contact Ron Johnson (544-2021).

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER - Recently the U.S. Postal Service increased the postal rates and will do so again. It is now the goal of TWA to utilize the Internet and to send the Newsletter by e-mail to all who have access. This will help keep the cost down and the savings can be used for other TWA activities. All members are requested to contact Ron Johnson at RGJ5823@aol.com, so we can get your e-mail address

NEW MEMBERS - New members this month include David and Lori Houck, of Apex. Make sure to say hello and introduce yourself when you see them.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

My remodeling has slowed down as all remodels do but I have three rooms complete and my yard has grass growing. So progress is being made.

Our Annual Club Dinner is fast approaching and this year promises to be as enjoyable as past years. Be sure to read your newsletter for more information and reservation information.

Our elections are also fast approaching and we have several positions open. We are always looking for new ideas and folks with the energy to assist in making new things happen. Since the club has grown and continues to grow I know there are many of you who could help do great things towards the club's future. I know accepting a board position takes a little more time but I promise you will enjoy your involvement. I will be stepping aside this year along with Charlie Main, and Rick Fox of the club elected positions. Please contact me if you are interested in a board position or if you would like to nominate another.

Remember our meeting is on a Friday this month!
Till then Diane

LON SCHLEINING IS GUEST PRESENTER IN MAY

SEE THE JEFFERSON DESK REPLICA IN PERSON

This is the desk featured in the October, 2000 issue #144, of Fine Woodworking. According to Lon, it's easily one of the most interesting and challenging woodworking projects that he has ever built.

The central artifact in the exhibit on the Presidents at the Smithsonian in Washington, D.C., is a cherished National Treasure; a small but precious artifact, tantalizingly close at hand under a clear plastic enclosure. Little more than the size of a legal pad and about three inches tall, the little desk is the 18th century equivalent of a lap top computer designed and used by Thomas Jefferson.

This extraordinary writing desk, weighing but a couple of pounds, is the result of Jefferson's ability to invent the obvious - a portable desk in which he could keep all of his supplies and with which he could comfortably write no matter where he was. Jefferson used the desk for the next fifty years. Constantly in his personal possession, it accompanied him wherever he went. In 1825, just a few

months before his death, Jefferson gave the desk to his grandson Joseph Coolidge. Soon after Coolidge's death in 1880, his children gave the desk to the U.S. Government for safekeeping.

This small but incredibly significant fragment of American History waits patiently for the viewer to imagine Jefferson hunched over it, intently writing with a quill pen. There it sits, a treasure for the more observant; its place in U.S. history is significant in many ways. It was the very instrument Jefferson used while he wrote the Declaration of Independence when the little lap desk was brand new.

Plan to be at the May 18th meeting and learn more about this fascinating subject. Lon will be bringing slides, sample pieces to demonstrate the joinery and, of course, the actual replica that he built for the article.

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**Notice:**

**All of the May workshops are full. Notify me by telephone, 919-542-5951 or by email, [rjgwood@mindspring.com](mailto:rjgwood@mindspring.com) if you would like to be put on the waiting list. You will be notified in the event of a cancellation. Bob Gabor**

## JUNE 19 ANNUAL DINNER MEETING

June 19 (a Tuesday night) will be the Annual Dinner Meeting. The dinner will be held at the Warehouse Restaurant, 218 Cabbarus Street in Raleigh. We will be situated in the Ballroom which will have plenty of space to hold us all. We will begin gathering at 6:30 with dinner starting around 7:00.

Cost for the dinner will be \$20 per person which will include choice of several different meats, vegetables, breads, and desserts. Our special speaker for the program has not yet been determined, but in past years it has always been someone special. Stay tuned for further details.

As always there will be lots of door prizes. We ask that each member (as they are able) bring a small door prize to be given away. This is usually something small and simple that they have made or a special little \$5 tool that you can not do without. We are also planning to have a variety of door prizes from our various sponsors.

A registration slip is provided below. Please fill out and return it as soon as possible. We will have a deadline for

registration as we will have to give a head count some time. At this time we don't know what that date is.

This is one of our better attended events of the year so please mark your calendar accordingly. It will be one meeting you do not want to miss.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS COMING SOON

Your Triangle Woodworkers Association need you input. A nominations committee may be contacting you to add your name to the ballot or suggest a fellow member. Several officers have completed their two year terms. We can't thank them enough for their time and effort. This year we need to elect a president, secretary, and treasurer. Two appointed offices, i.e. publicity chair and Chairman of the Board, are also open. The Board meets every second month on the fourth Tuesday. The meetings last two hours during which the business on the Association is conducted.

I think the Board serves your Association well. The onthly programs and special events are the important aspects of our activities. Its time for more of you to step up and share some of these responsibilities. I assume many of you silent members who attend are willing to do your part? Now is the time to offer your services. Call or e-mail Diane or the Nominations Chair and volunteer. I will be disappointed if more of you don't come forth with suggestions. New officers and Board chairs bring new ideas and perspectives to the club. Come on, members! You will be happy you volunteered.

Charlie Main, Board Chair



The photo to the left is of my godson, Cameron, and the train table I made for his 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday. If any of you remember the walnut cradle at the annual dinner 2 years ago, I made that for Cameron as well. His picture is gracing these pages for two reasons. One is I had a big blank space to fill. The other is I wanted to start showing pictures of various items you folks have made. So mail me a photo along with a short (or long description) of the project. Or send me an email or hand me something at the next meeting. I will start putting them in the Newsletter as space allows. If the last few Newsletters are any example, I will have plenty of room to show at least one project a month. Maybe more. So in the meantime, enjoy the photo. The table was made of MDF and painted.

Ron Johnson (editor)

### ANNUAL BANQUET REGISTRATION

Complete and mail to:  
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P.O. Box 12232  
RTP, North Carolina 27709

Number Attending \_\_\_\_\_

Name (s) : \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Amount Enclosed (\$20 per person) \_\_\_\_\_

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Diane Caudill is our sponsor liaison. If there are problems or questions concerning our various sponsors please contact Diane.

Membership Application  
Complete and mail to:  
Triangle Woodworkers Association  
P.O. Box 12232  
RTP, North Carolina 27709

Dues for twelve month period (please check)

New (\$35) \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal (\$30) \_\_\_\_\_ Change of Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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Spouse \$1 (new & renewal). For spouse membership complete the following:

Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## **TWA Programs for 2001**

**May 18 --- Friday evening meeting---** Lon Schleining Anaheim,CA -- curved staircases

**May 19 and 20** Saturday and Sunday -- workshop routers and table saws.

**June 19 ---** Annual Dinner Meeting and Show and Tell.

**July --- 17-meeting and workshop--**Dave Bubacz--finishing

**August 21 ---** Chris Larson--paints and finishes

**September 18 --- meeting and tour ---** Tom Culbreth--furniture industry--tour woodworking research laboratory at State Sept 22

**October --- meeting and workshop---** joinery, tools and techniques

**November 20 ---** Auction

**December 11 ---** Toys for Tots and Show and Tell

Submitted by **Fred Ford**, Chairman of the Program Committee

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