

# TWA News

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## Next Meeting: !SPECIAL TIME!

**July 19th, 7:30 PM  
The Woodworking Shop**

### July Program with Lon Schleining

Lon Schleining began his career as a professional woodworker in southern California in 1978, building staircases. To date he has built several hundred projects including many one-of-a-kind designs. A gifted teacher, he taught woodworking classes at Cerritos College for four years. In 1995 he began to write articles for Fine Woodworking and Fine Home Building magazines. He has more than 50 articles in print and was recently named Contributing Editor for Fine Woodworking. Starting in 1998 he began to travel with the Woodworking Shows, teaching seminars on a wide variety of subjects.

### Friday, July 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. Avoiding Mistakes in the Workshop.

Woodworkers make mistakes. In a perfect world, perhaps we could eliminate them altogether, but as long as there are humans in the process, the best we can do is avoid as many as possible. Many mistakes could be avoided by simply planning a bit more carefully. The time spent working out a logical sequence of events is time gained if even one mistake is avoided. Careful drawing, using story poles, listing parts and their sizes, and avoiding math errors all contribute to efficient, safe and satisfying woodworking. Mistakes can rob the satisfaction and profit from any project. With a bit of planning the most common woodworking mistakes are easily avoided. Lon will cover ways to avoid mistakes in design, measuring, layout and cutting. He'll cover topics like taking direct measurements, trimming to size, making story boards and using a tape measure as a calculator. See why Ron says, "Measure Once; Cut Twice!" Hosted by Bob Gabor. Telephone 919-542-5951. Email [rjgwood@mindspring.com](mailto:rjgwood@mindspring.com).

**See page 6 for workshops Lon is leading.**

## Dinner Plans?

Lon and Bob plan to have supper at Don Murray's Barbeque on Capital Boulevard prior to the meeting. We'll be there at around 6 PM and you're invited to join us. They have a pretty tasty buffet that's priced at \$8.00 or so.

### Tuesday, August 20<sup>th</sup> meeting. More Bang for the Buck.

Bruce Wrenn is a TWA member, a former High School shop teacher, and a gifted lecturer and craftsman. He is a jack of all trades and a master of most. Bruce now makes his living applying the skills he taught for years. You may have been lucky enough to have seen one of Bruce's previous programs. If you did, I am sure you will be there for this one. If you make this meeting, I can guarantee you will learn something that you never thought of. Bring pencil and paper to record your finds. Bruce will present a program on how to get the most out of a dollar and getting the most out of your time. If you are ever in the market for a tool or something for the workshop, Bruce can tell you the absolute best place to get the item. His broad range of knowledge makes it possible for him to look at junkyard items and see real value. He will share with you how to make a trip to a junkyard profitable. He will discuss other sources of value as well. Come, be entertained, and learn! Hosted by Fred Ford. Telephone 469-9575.

### New Members!

The following people have joined the ranks of TWA! Please take time to welcome them and introduce yourself the next time you see them!

Carl Caudle, Raleigh  
Julian Kitay, Chapel Hill  
Leo Burka, Durham

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**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Beginning Balance 6/1/02	\$4,967.51
Income	\$1,017.82
Expenses	\$475.68
Ending Balance 6/30/02	\$5,509.65

Respectfully submitted,  
 Noel Butzke  
 Treasurer

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Greetings

I really enjoyed our June meeting with Paul Fontenoy of the NC Maritime Museum. I found the anecdotes and model boat building techniques very interesting.

Thanks to Bruce Wrenn for his sharpening demo, there was a good level of interest shown. Hopefully we can have more of these short "before the meeting" demos.

Remember that August is our election night meeting. We will introduce the candidates for the three board member openings at the July meeting. We have several names now but candidates can be suggested from the floor. If you are interested or want to run let me or Fred Ford know before the next board meeting which is scheduled at my house at 7.00 PM on Tuesday July 16. Let me know if you need directions. As usual members are always welcome at the board meetings.

There is no formal mentor project going on right now. I'll get something going again after summer vacations are over. However, if you have something specific you and/or several others want to do before the fall, let me know and we'll see what we can do. Or if you just have something you need a little help on or just want some company to do something let me know.

Our next program is avoiding mistakes in the workshop. I'm not sure one week-end will be enough for me.

Dave

**JUST FOR GRINS**

A little boy was in a relative's wedding. As he was coming down the aisle, he would take two steps, stop, and turn to the crowd. While facing the crowd, he would put his hands up like claws and roar. So it went, step, step, ROAR; step, step, ROAR; all the way down the aisle. As you can imagine, the crowd was near tears from laughing so hard by the time he reached the pulpit. When asked what he was doing, the child sniffed and said, "I was being the Ring Bear."

**MINUTES FOR THE MONTHLY TWA  
MEETING  
JUNE 18, 2002**

Prior to the regular meeting Bruce Wrenn did a chisel sharpening demonstration from 6:30 until 7:20. He started with the first step of grinding the hollow on the bevel and went through to the final polishing.

Dave Mackie called the meeting to order at 7:30 at the Woodworking Shop on Capital Blvd. He noted that elections are coming up.

Ron Johnson passed out updated membership rosters and said that he had had computer problems earlier and for anyone whose email to him was returned to try again – his system is fixed. He also said that there had been a problem with the TWA post office box but it is also straightened out and is now accepting mail.

Bob Gabor reminded the group about the upcoming visit of Lon Schleining for the July program (Friday the 19<sup>th</sup>) and the Saturday and Sunday workshops.

Fred Ford spoke about the board elections and encouraged any interested parties to participate.

Jeff Leimburger announced that a jointing workshop by Michael Joerling is in the works. The possible dates are 7/13 or 7/27.

Paul Fontenoy, Curator of the Maritime Research at the NC Maritime Museum in Beaufort, presented the program on techniques used in model ship building.

The Hardwood Store donated t-shirts for door prizes and John Cramer donated numerous items also.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05.

Submitted by Kay Baker, Secretary.

**Library Tidbits**

If anyone should happen to find any of these items they can be placed in the "Return Box" – no questions asked.

**Missing Videos:**

Bowl Turning by Del Stubbs #35  
Working With Your Table Saw #37  
Mastering Your Table Saw by Kelly Mehler #60A  
Mastering Your Band Saw by Mark Duginske (two copies) #61A & B  
Turning Projects by Richard Raffan #74  
Making Mortise and Tenon Joints by Frank Klause #78  
Build a Shaker Table by Kelly Mehler #79  
Carving Techniques and Projects by Bush & Headley #81  
Clamps in the Woodshop by Bernie Maas #87  
Sliding Compound Miter Saws in Action by Phil Lowe #88  
Wood Bending by Marc Adams #95

**Missing Books:**

Mastering Woodworking Machines #515  
The New Yankee Workshop Outdoor Projects #537

I am in the process of dividing the videos into subject order as best I can. The categories presently are: Cabinets, Carving, Furniture, Jigs, Planning, Power Tools, Projects, Routing, Techniques, Turning, and Wood & Finishing with the labels on the tops of the temporary boxes. It's all coming along and will be much better when the cart is built.

Since Lon Schleining will be the speaker for the July meeting you might be interested to know that we have two of his videos: Steam Bending Basics and "Lets Build and Finish a Briefcase – step by step.

Sharing our love for wood,  
*Kay Baker*



## Photo Gallery



Paul Fontanoy from the Maritime Museum in Beaufort, North Carolina, was our guest presenter. Paul is in charge of boat building and restoration, and his hobby is model shipbuilding. With the help of slides, he spoke about his many experiences in this fascinating activity. He covered restoration techniques and tools and brought along the model above

**Midwest Tool Collectors Association (MWTCA)**

**Early American Industry Association (EAIA) meeting**

The annual joint Midwest Tool Collectors Association (MWTCA) and Early American Industry Association (EAIA) meeting will be held at Ed Hobbs' Farm in Raleigh on Saturday. Members are invited to attend. Over 200 people attended in 2001.

This year's meeting will begin officially at 8 AM (some early birds will get here at day-break) with tool buying/selling/trading. We will have about 30 dealer tables set up under a tent as well as another 30 or so people tailgating under the shade trees. You will be able to find a wide variety of antique and traditional tools for sale at reasonable prices. Coffee, donuts and soft drinks will be served.

The program at 10 AM will be on Historic Yates Mill and will cover both the history and the preservation. Artifacts, pictures, a video and associated information will be included in the presentation. A lot of interesting behind the scenes information will be included.

Following the program, there will be a good old catered pig picken with all the fixings.

After lunch, there will be a tool auction open to everyone. There is no buyer's premium. At this time, we already have a good number of user and collector grade tools and most if not all will be sold with no reserve.

Our policy for guests is to allow guests to come at half the regular price (\$10) for one time to see what goes on and to find out about the benefits of belonging to MWTCA and EAIA. If you have attended as a guest before and wish to attend again as a guest you are welcome, however, you will be charged the full meeting cost of \$20.

To ensure we have adequate food, beverages and facilities, we are again requiring pre-registration. Please complete the form below and send it in so it is received by July 23. To get to the farm, take Exit 299 (Lake Wheeler Rd) off of I-40/440 in Raleigh. Go out of town. You will go about 2 miles and cross over Tryon Rd. Continue on Lake Wheeler Rd for 3/4 mile then turn left on Inwood Rd. Go 3/4 mile and farm is on left. Please park on the road. Ed Hobbs, 4417 Inwood Rd, Raleigh, NC 27603-3315 Telephone 828-2754

Return this form with your check made out to MWTCA Area Q to the address above **by July 23. If this is your first time attending, enclose \$10 for each person. If you have been here before, please enclose \$20 for each person.**

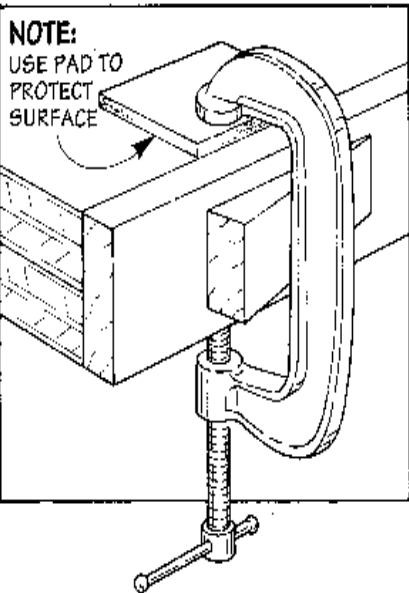
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## July Work Shops with Lon Schleining.

**Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup> workshop. Gluing and Clamping Strategies:** Make your gluing faster, straight forward and more reliable. Lon Schleining is the author of a seven-page Fine Woodworking Magazine article, "Gluing and Clamping Strategies" (FWW #141). He'll show you how to prepare the parts, and choose the proper glue for different applications, and will share some rules of thumb he's learned the hard way. The workshop concentrates on real world techniques designed to work every time, exploring such issues as why less clamping pressure is usually better than more and why you would never want to use a wet rag to remove excess glue. Lon will demonstrate clamping methods for boxes, drawers, tabletops, veneers, bent lamination, coopered panels, octagons, picture frames and more. This workshop with Lon is guaranteed to increase your confidence with this vital and often stressful woodworking challenge. \$35 Fee payable in advance. This workshop will be presented at Bob Gabor's shop near Pittsboro. Mail check or see Bob Gabor or Noel Butzke at the June meeting. **There are still a few slots open. To reserve yours, mail your check to our treasurer Noel Butzke plus notify Bob that you have done so.** Hosted by Bob Gabor. Telephone 919-542-5951. Email rjgwood@mindspring.com

**Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup> workshop. Steam Bending and Bent Laminations.** Lon's new book, The Complete Manual of Bending, covers both of the methods of bending in depth, while his Fine Woodworking article and Taunton video on steam bending cover the basics. This workshop is designed to answer all of your bending questions. When would you steam bend and when would you choose lamination bending and why? What are the tradeoffs with each of the methods of bending? Lon will demonstrate and have everyone work with steam bending and lamination bending. Everyone will get to do some steam bending, learn how to build a compression strap and see why bends work and why they don't. We'll bend some 90 degree parts and some 180 degree parts, including a chair crest rail and a Windsor chair hoop. In the lamination bending session, everyone will get to mix some powdered glue, learn how to mill the laminates to the correct thickness, build a bending form and grow accustomed to working with the methods and materials used in lamination bending. Attend this workshop and go home ready to tackle one of those "someday" projects. . \$35 Fee payable in advance. This workshop will be presented at Bob Gabor's shop near Pittsboro. Mail check or see Bob Gabor or Noel Butzke at the June meeting. Hosted by Bob Gabor. Telephone 919-542-5951. Email rjgwood@mindspring.com **There are still a few slots open. To reserve yours, mail your check to our treasurer Noel Butzke plus notify Bob that you have done so**



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### Woodworking Tip

I came across a problem recently when I needed to glue edging to the ends of a long table. The problem was that the table was longer than my pipe clamps. So I came up with this simple technique that uses C-clamps and wedges to hold the edging in place while the glue dries, see Drawing.

To do this, first attach the C-clamps to the edge of the table top. (To ensure a good glue joint, space the clamps about 6" apart.) And to get the proper clamping pressure on the joint line, tap a small wedge between the edging and each clamp until the edging is tight.

*Note:* This also works for attaching counter top edging.

**Spike Lacombe**  
**Pahrump, Nevada**

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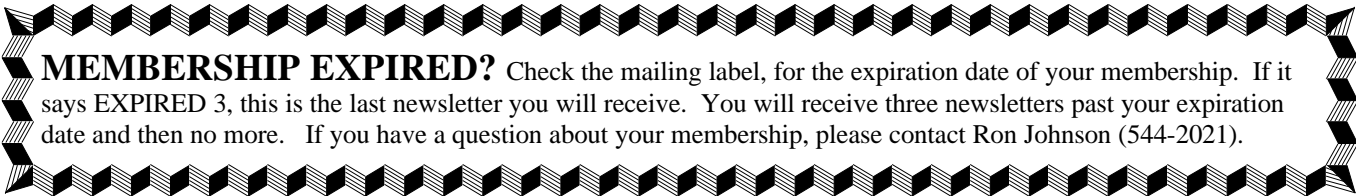
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