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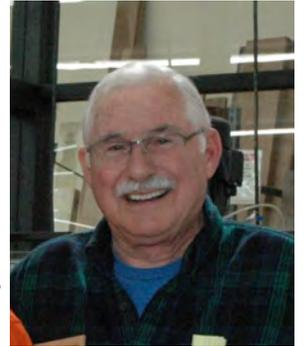
Monthly newsletter for the Orange County Scroll Saw Association

SEPTEMBER 2021

Thoughts From The Sawdust

The past 18 months have presented our Club with challenges beyond what anyone could have imagined. Almost overnight, we lost our ability to hold our monthly meetings at Rockler followed closely by the loss of our Friday morning toy workshops. Many organizations would not have survived.

Due to the creativity and dedication of a number of our members, we not only have survived, but we have found new and sometimes better ways to accomplish our mission. Devon Day and Bob Evins have given us a whole new way to hold our meetings and enjoy great presentations. If you miss the meetings, you can watch the presentations at your convenience on our website.



Our toy program has slowed but is still functioning. Due to the efforts of Gary Tennison, Jerry Delmore, and all who have worked on the toys at their own homes, we will still have hundreds of toys to distribute at Christmas time. Gary and Jerry have developed an excellent method for a person to check out a box or two to work on at their convenience. In addition, the Friday workshops have started again (on a small scale) at Larry Olson's house.

I bring all of this up for two reasons. First, we have no idea when we will again have our meetings at Rockler. With the new Delta variant of Covid and the resistance of some to get vaccinated, we have moved backwards. We are again very hesitant to mingle with those not in our personal orbit. Rockler is even more hesitant to allow anything but very small groups.

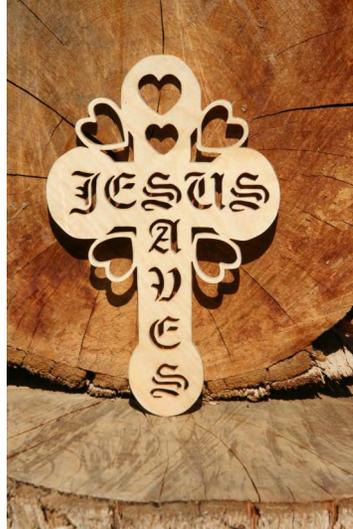
Second, Jerry and Gary (the bedrock of our toy program) have both expressed wanting to remove themselves from leadership of the program. Actually, Jerry already has. This leaves a gaping hole in the future of the program. I'm sure Jerry and Gary would be happy to train a replacement. If you are interested, please contact them (or me).

Thanks again to all who helped work the Tustin Chili Cook-off. It was a great success.

John

Orange County Fair Entries from our Members

James McGuire:



Here are a few cuttings I have completed recently. The cross is a new design I like so I cut two in 1/4 ply. The lady in the horse was a fun one I saw and wanted to try, The birth announcement is for a friend who is a huge motorcycle fan. The Lord's Prayer is a cutting I did and had for a long time and not put it on anything, finally decided to do a larger heart and paint it this off red color. The last one is a serving tray I got at a yard sale I saw and felt it could be something. The native American family in there is a pattern by Botas from a Facebook site. The first one is the train I built for my grandson to play on but the backyard cats seem to enjoy it almost as much as he does.

September Meeting

We are going have a Zoom meeting for all members this next Thursday the 9th at 7:00 p.m. The link to the meeting is at the end of this article. I will also send an email out the day before the meeting. You can join a Zoom meeting with your computer / laptop / or smart phone.

If you would like to visit with other members before the meeting feel free to join the meeting any time after 6:30. John will start the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and we will mute all attendees so the speaker can have the floor.

If you have things that you would like to share, we will have a Show and Tell time at the end of the meeting. You can send pictures in to LaVaun or Bob before the meeting and Bob will make a PowerPoint slide of your pictures so the members can see your show and tell items.

Feel free to contact LaVaun Ward or Bob Evins if you have any questions, or need assistance. We had around 20 members present last month and we hope more of you can join us at the next meeting.

Topic: **Lou Barcelo Delivers a Master Class in the Use of Tints in Finishes**

Meeting information is in the version of the September Newsletter on the Member's Only page.

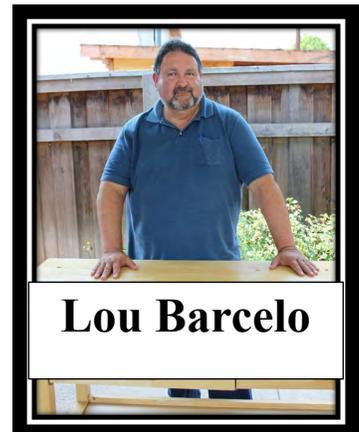
Lou Barcelo Delivers a Master Class in the Use of Tints in Finishes

By Devon Day

The September OCSSA General Meeting is going to be a fine opportunity to learn about finishing and the use of tints to create chatoyance in your project's finish.

This Zoom guest presentation will teach many wood working skills you might not know. In addition to the differences between stains (that are created out of crushed stones and rock) and tints (that are created out of organic materials like flowers, plants and fruits), Lou will share how to balance colors in wood using knowledge of the color wheel, how to darken woods chemically, how to use walnut and other oils to create depth, and how to use a scraper (rather than sandpaper) in order to direct light into the wood rather than deflect light. Lou even gives a tutorial in the best way to sharpen a scraper to get the best edge possible. He explains when to use acrylic stains and oil stains as well as how to add durability to delicate tinted finishes. Lou will help club members understand that the purpose of the wood project drives the choices for the type of finish for a particular project. Lou has spent years to perfect his knowledge of how to finish wood for artistic appearance and durability.

Be sure to log in on September 9th for this wonderful program beginning at 7:00 PM. Early birds can visit starting around 6:30 PM



Toy Program Update

These are pictures from the last toy workshop held on August 27th. Sanding was the theme of the day. Also in attendance were Gary Tennison and Patrick Heilman. As always they can use more help on workshop days. There are boxes of toys that need working on available to check out at Larry Olson's.

The next In Person Toy Workshop of 2021 will be held at Larry Olson's on September 24th at 9:00 a.m. Please contact Larry Olson if you will be attending so we can plan for the right number of people. There is plenty to be done to finish the toys by the end of the year. Come out and help if you can.



John Howe, Larry Olson, Bert Halter, Jerry Delmore



John Howe, Larry Olson, Bert Halter



Jerry Delmore

Dan Frembling:

TROPICAL SUNSET

Made of: Brazilian Pau Amarillo
African Padauk
African Ebony
Mexican Chak Te Vega
Mexican Katalox
Indian Black Palm

Size -24" x 24"



Tustin Chili Cook-off and Street Fair

By Devon Day

On August 15th, Larry Olson, Willie Ellis, Chuck Collins, and Jerry Delmore arrived at 7:30 AM at this year's Tustin Chile Cook-off to begin setting up our OCSSA booth. This was an enormous work effort that frankly paid off.

Soon, other club members filed in. Patrick Heilman, LaVaun Ward, Allan Carter, the Coulter Family—Tracy, Chad, Jady and Dylan, Jack van Wingerden, John Howe, and Devon Day fell into a job of either selling cut out letters or toys, cutting the push out names, sanding and drilling entry holes, working the sales department, or drawing out patterns.

This year's attendees had to all pre-register to attend, the location of the actual cook off was much smaller and the size of the crowd was down. Those who attended were in great spirits. Children were happily engaged in the vendors and the activities.

By the end of the day, we were thrilled with the news that we had made \$817.50. This meant we had earned \$487.52 after the cost of the booth and other expenses. This money will help fund the 2022 Toy Program. Everyone had a good time and our club attracted a lot of interest. It was a good day.



Jady Coulter



The booth in full swing - everyone had a part



Jack van Wingerden



Allan Carter



Patrick Heilman



Willie Ellis, Jerry Delmore, Chuck Collins, Larry Olson

OCSSA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 9	Monthly Zoom Meeting - Lou Barcelo Delivers a Master Class in the Use of Tints in Finishes
September 24	Toy Workshop - Larry Olson's
October 14	Monthly Zoom Meeting - Mytoya Pritchett
October 22	Toy Workshop - Larry Olson's
October 30	Workshop at Larry Olson's - Many Mentors Scroll Saw Clinic
November 11	Monthly Zoom Meeting -
December 16	Annual Christmas dinner and Ornament Exchange

Many Mentors Scroll Saw Clinic

By Devon Day

Recently, Erwin Bragg and I attended a workshop with many mentors. We really enjoyed having a mentor who taught us what they knew for 20 minutes where we could ask all the questions we had about the topic they were demonstrating and then try that technique on our own before moving to the next mentor. We both thrived in that teaching environment and I wanted to share it with you.

The idea is to bring together many scroll saw mentors and with many different scroll saw brands to see how they hold up when cutting various types of wood, metal, and even Corian. This would open up discussions about blades, wood species, and the overall performance of the Scroll Saw. You must pre-register at ocssa.org. Go to the "Members' Only" page. Look for the cluster of 5 teal blue boxes. The Scroll Saw Demo Workshop Signup is box number 5. Add your name, scroll down to confirm. Select confirm. That will take you back one window, and then select OK.

We plan meet at Larry Olson's house on October 30th at 9 AM, stop around noon for lunch (bring your own brown bag lunch), I'll bring beverages and a home-made cake to share, and after lunch, we will on until 1 PM. Our mentors (at the date of printing) include. Jerry Delmore (Seyco) Larry Olson and LaVaun Ward (Excalibur), Erwin Bragg (DeWalt). If you would like to mentor another brand scroll saw, please contact Devon Day.



Jadyn Coulter with an Excalibur

Jerry Delmore with a DeWalt



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Mentor's Corner

While our meetings are on hold, Larry Olson is still more than happy to hear from you and help with any issues you are having with any current projects. Be sure to take ad-vantage of this very useful information available to our club members. Larry has many years experience with woodworking and is always willing to help.

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The Orange County Scroll

The Orange County Scroll Saw Association meets every second Thursday of the month. Our purpose is to promote, teach and share in the fun and fellowship of scroll sawing. Our club is open to all who have an interest in scroll sawing and at all skill levels from beginner to expert.

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