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**Next Meeting: Tues, May 11th @7:00 p.m.**

The May meeting will be held at our regular meeting place, Tri States Automotive, 745 W. Gaines Street in Tallahassee. (see map on next page)

Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month.

This will be an open forum meeting with lots of good discussion. We always learn something and hear some good stories. **Don't forget your show and tell items.**

### Highlights From the April Meeting

The April meeting was an open forum round table discussion.

**Gus Cancro** came well prepared to share information and find new homes for some of his no longer used tools. Gus has a DVD of "Essential Woodworking Techniques" by Woodworkers Journal that he is willing to share with any interested members.

The tools Gus brought in were a Sears dovetail jig (free to a good home) and a Delta mortising attachment for a drill press. This generated a good discussion on dedicated mortising machines verses the drill press attachment.



Gus Cancro showing a custom jig.

For show and tell, Gus brought in a Japanese style lamp. It was nicely made with a series of interlocking joints. He is making jigs and perfecting his technique for making these lamps. Gus showed us some of the jigs he has made so far.

**Rich Wieckowicz** brought in a "magnet switch" to show the group. This is a very clever device that has two very strong magnets. By turning the "switch" to align the magnets or oppose them, you either get a strong magnetic pull or none. The device can be inserted into a wooden feather board which can then be attached anywhere on the table saw top and thus you are not restricted to positioning it in the table slots like some models of feather boards.

**Val Tuck** brought in photos of the entertainment center he recently completed for a client. This is the one with multiple big screen TV's and fancy crown molding with a lighted shadow box at the top that included a city skyline scene. Very nice, Val.

We got the word from **Austin Tatum** on the outcome of his project to cut his counter tops to enlarge the opening for a new stove. This was discussed at the last meeting with a number of suggestions given by the members.

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And how did Austin cut the counter tops in place? He used a jig saw with a guide board to get as close to the wall as he could. Then he went to Lowes and purchased a couple of Japanese saws to make the final cut up to the wall. He put masking tape on the wall to keep from scarring it with the saw. Austin said whenever your wife comments with “That looks good, I’m satisfied,” it’s a good project.

Austin asked if there was interest by the club to purchase a copy of all past issues of Fine Woodworking on disk. The disk would be added to the club library and made available for check out by members. There was agreement for him to pursue the purchase.

Val told about getting to see the woodworking shop at the State Library. It was quite impressive. Val is going to arrange for a club field trip to see it—possibly for the June meeting.



Directions to the regular meeting location.

