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Next Meeting: Tues, April 12th @7:00 p.m.

The April meeting will be an open forum. Bring your ideas and questions plus an open mind to soak up some of the great information that is sure to come up. Don't Forget your Show and Tell items.

The 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.

Highlights From the February and March Meetings

Since we didn't have a March newsletter, I will include summaries of both the February and March meetings below.

The **February** meeting shows how you never know what will come up at our open forum meetings and there is always new information to pick up.



Jan Winans explains his shelving

Jan Winans brought in a prototype shelving system for installation in tow-behind work trailers. He was seeking suggestions for material size and jointery and he got lots of ideas from the members.

Ed Garrett gave us a great presentation and lesson on creativity regarding shop jigs and gadgets. He brought

along a sampling of some of his creations which he demonstrated. Lots of good ideas, Ed.

And if all of that wasn't enough, **Val Tuck** brought in a cabinet jack that he not only designed, but built himself using welded steel channel. This device allows him to install upper cabinets by himself.



Val Tuck shows his cabinet jack

At the **March** meeting, **Austin Tatum** had important information to report on Tallahassee-based King Arthur Tools. Austin had recently visited their facility (located at 3645 Hartsfield Road near the UPS center), and spoke with Arthur Aveling, the owner. King Arthur Tools has installed a teaching facility where they are now holding wood working classes. Turn out for the classes has been very good so far according to Arthur. Watch the paper on Thursday and Friday for adds announcing the upcoming weekend's classes. Austin expects to get a future course list from King Arthur Tools and will share that information with the group.



Ed Garrett and his saw sled.

Buy Sell Or Trade

If you have items for this column, please contact the newsletter editor.

We hope to arrange a future field trip to King Arthur Tools, but visitors are welcome to visit on their own. **Rich**

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Wieckowicz, who also recently visited KA Tools, said they have a nice gallery displaying finished carvings done with King Arthur’s great carving tools. Rich brought a stack of their latest tool catalog and we had some interesting discussion about their products by some of the members that have used them. If you are not familiar with their products, you should check out their web site at www.katools.com.

Austin transmitted a request from Light House of the Big Bend for making outdoor planter boxes. There was lots of discussion and suggestions provided.

We had three new attendees at the March meeting. Welcome to Richard LaSalle, Bob Cohan, and Dudley Witney. Richard told us he is making a CNC router system and is documenting it on his blog site at cncrouter-build.blogspot.com. He explained some of his features and invites members to visit his blog site on the web and leave comments if you'd like.

Directions to the regular meeting location.

