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Next Meeting: Tues, May 10th @7:00 p.m.

The May meeting will include a presentation by Mike Reilly about **Hand Planes**. Mike will bring along an assortment of his planes and talk about their care and use.

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 April Meeting

April's meeting was an open forum format chaired by **Austin Tatum**.

Austin gave a run down of the work he did making 7 flower boxes for the Lighthouse of the Big Bend. He used 1" X 6" pressure treated pine. The boxes are 12" high, 12" wide, and 48" long. He lined the inside of the boxes with gardening cloth to hold the soil in. Austin got all the lumber and fasteners from Ro-Mac when they were going out of business for \$50. The Lighthouse organization was very pleased with his assistance.



April Meeting

Buy Sell Or Trade

- 10" Jet contractor saw (asking \$400) and 16" Grizzley band saw (asking \$350.) Contact Bob Bischoff-Fincher 850-668-2010.

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

Austin gave a summary of some additional information he found out about King Arthur Tools, located in Tallahassee, particularly with regard to the woodworking classes they are gearing up to hold. We do not have a course schedule yet but it sounds like they will be bringing in some top talent in the turning and carving area. (See below for a brief summary of the field trip to King Arthur Tools that the wood turners club had earlier this week.)

After a good discussion about hand planes, it was decided to feature this topic at our next meeting.

Mike Reilly asked attendees to tell about themselves - current or prior careers and type of woodworking they do.

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Joe Doker's Notes From Wood Turners trip to King Arthur

This past Tuesday, the Tallahassee Woodturners Club held their meeting in conjunction with a field trip to the King Arthur Tools company on Hartsfield road. They kindly invited members of the Woodcrafters Society to participate (we sent notice of this to our members as a separate e-mail.)

The King Arthur folks were very gracious hosts, even providing refreshments for the attendees. A number of

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This turned out to be a very interesting exercise and exposed the wide variety of talent we have in the club. For formal careers we have engineers, a physicist, insurance industry manager, cabinet maker, IBM exec., UPS driver, several folks from the Department of Environmental Protection, Army veteran and aerial photography specialist, special needs educator, and a pharmaceutical representative, to name a few. Some of the items mentioned on the woodworking side include, cabinets and general custom wood work, religious cross blanks, crosses for a church and church furniture, scroll saw work, tool restoration, kid's wooden toys, and Windsor chairs.

Jose Alicea brought in a table he created many years ago using parquet flooring material for the main field. Although his wife and daughter love the piece, he does not envision making any more and he has three and a half boxes of the parquet material (it looks like Teak) that he would love to give to a club member that has a use for it.



Jose Alicea (left) and his parquet table.

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employees of the company were on hand, including owners Pamela and Arthur Aveling, and they continually lead small groups around their facility showing their operation. And what an operation it is.

King Arthur Tools provides popular, high quality tools for the power carving field. Over the years, they have amassed quite a collection of incredible works done by accomplished artists using their products and these are on display in their Gallery. This alone was worth the trip. They also have a display room showing each of their tools. They even have a work room upstairs where you can try out any of the tools you are considering purchasing.

A highlight of the facility is the new class room they are creating. Along one wall is a bank of Jet lathes, complete with dust collection. The other wall will be set up with power carving stations. These two topics will be the features of their upcoming classes.

The woodturners club meeting featured a demonstration by a representative of the Easy Wood Tools company, makers of a line of special carbide turning tools. King Arthur Tools is now a local distributor for Easy Wood Tools. They even offered a discount to attendees that wished to purchase them plus the company rep. was offering a free replacement carbide blade. There appeared to be quite a few takers as several folks purchased them after the meeting.

Directions to the regular meeting location.

