

## Southwest Tool Collector's Association

SWTCA Newsletter  
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### **SWTCA Labor Day Meeting in Oklahoma City an 'Old Fashioned' Success With a Twist o'New flavor!**

The summer heat was record breaking across many parts of the country this year. Nothing new to residents of the Gulf Coast area but in a strange turn of events, the Houston/Gulf Coast metroplex enjoyed an unusually relaxed heat wave and an overwhelming amount of rainfall during the last half of the Summer. Our temps were somewhat below average for the area and we tended to have a mild summer (for Houston) sans the typical drought conditions. This was not the case for most of the rest of the Country and the road trip from Houston to Oklahoma City (about 500 miles) for the SWTCA Fall Meeting took us through Central and Northern Texas which echoed drought with each passing corn and cotton field. The stark straw colored fields were evidence of a disastrous climax to crops which earlier began as a seed of hope and a harvest for tomorrow. Continuing into Oklahoma the situation became even worse. With each passing of withered fields, the black expanses of fire scorched earth could be seen covering hundreds of acres along the highway and beyond. The scenic turnouts for the Arbuckle Mountains bore witness to the devastation as much of the typically awe inspiring view now lay blackened and somewhat spoiled. A bit disheartening for sure but the path of devastation and regeneration is a single one and Nature will restore itself and regenerate whenever it is scarred.



It's hard to keep a good trip down though and disaster or not, you are still here and the disaster is out there, the objective is ahead and the mission at hand is to 'head toward the light'. My fellow passenger this trip was Imtiyaz Bangee of 'Kwik Kopy' who is none other than the publisher of our Newsletters here in Houston. We have worked closely together for a year now on publishing techniques etc. and he felt rather drawn enough to our curriculum to join in on a meeting for some fun and some R&R with the added attraction of a road trip through parts of the Country he had yet to see. Originally from Burma, Imtiyaz has resided here for the past 26 years.

Following us to Oklahoma (Friday Evening and Saturday), was some rain and cooler weather. Of course we claimed responsibility for it. I mean.....that's just the kind of 'guys' we are down here! The 'Okies' did not exactly accredit us with this miracle of mercy but they did sponsor one of the best club meetings to take place in quite a while. Registrations numbered 87 members plus 15 sign ups at the door. Seven new members were added as well. Remember that our new format for this meeting included free registration for members (tables were additional) and the invitation to locals to attend during most of the show and for the auction. Local interest (attracted through local media advertising), helped skew buying interest across the board as we had hoped so that the 'higher end' items wouldn't create such a log jam in the overall selling totals. The auction was quite prolonged this meet. An auctioneer was hired since outside auction items were allowed. This was in an effort to add credence and a sense of objectivity to the auction for new attendees. The auction was a great success and raised quite a bit for the Club as a hedge against the inevitable lost income from waving the registration fees. Table sales raised a great deal of income as well and in the end, the Club's total outlay was rather minimal. There was no Banquet Dinner this meeting. I truly miss the break, the social hour and the Meeting recap during the Dinner but the savings to members was large and we will likely follow this format again. [ **Please see inside for the results of our Spring 2007 Meeting in Tulsa** ] .....*Editor*

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### Southwest Tool Collectors Association

The S.W.T.C.A. Newsletter is the official publication of the Southwest Tool Collector's Association. It is published quarterly and provided to each member of the association.

#### Purpose of the Association:

##### Section 1

To promote the collection and exchange of tools, implements and devices used by our forefathers.

##### Section 2

To study and share knowledge concerning these objects and the crafts in which they were used.

##### Section 3

To promote a spirit of fun and fellowship among persons having these interests



**Errata !**  
(not erotica)

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for the Following:

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### TAKE A MINUTE!!

Please let our Secretary know of changes to your contact information either address, phone no.# or e-mail address. He will forward these to me for listing in the Newsletter and dispersal to members.

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## When Blind Luck's a Lady...

The Canton Flea Market in Texas (First Monday is the correct name) has been around for probably close to a hundred and twenty five years. In bygone days, it was referred to as 'THE' market in the South to hunt for antiques and the legend was correct. Many a story originated from there and when I began tool collecting and even before, those stories made it that much easier to get up at 4:00 A.M. and endure a two hour commute each way with a cup of coffee that you could patch a tire with.

One of the first really exciting encounters I can recall occurred after studying a then recently acquired copy of PTAMPA volume one by Roger Smith. Newly published, I had spent a great deal of time studying the information it offered. It paid off well one clear morning as I spied the unusual profile of an early Bailey Victor Plane some 60 feet or so away on the edge of a table. It had both the front knob and the beautiful rear medallion knob with the Victor Plane lettering so boldly embossed on top. A five dollar bill procured the specimen for my early collection and the value of researching and having a library of information became evident. The thrill of the hunt was born as well.

A few years later (again at Canton), I arrived early enough to catch the dealers just setting up.....at least those that were out of bed! This is where lady luck really holds your hand because the dealers who are actually up are scattered here and there so there is no true systematic approach available. Furthermore, most are in the process of setting up and much they have to offer is still in boxes and unavailable for inspection yet. This means you would do well to return a bit later and make the rounds all over again. But it also means that timing is on your side if something of great interest shows up at the same time you do. This early near dawn morning I ventured to a small group of tables by a large tree just as a dealer was setting out a somewhat crude but early wooden box. When opened, the box revealed the individual parts of a Stanley combination plane. The price on the sticker said \$60.....just about the going price for a decent #45 at that time. Under closer inspection I noticed that the japanning was near mint and the iron parts had only the lightest hint of rust. The blades were few but near mint condition and located in a keeper within the wooden box (which was home made). Even at this early stage of my tool collecting career, the facts were just not adding up and I began to perceive an entirely different picture. The plane was an early Miller patent no.#41 type 2 with duplex arm configuration and a perfect filletster bottom. The tiny stamping in the rosewood handle was perfect as were all 10 blades. The condition was 'unused'. The box was half original.... the top half having been refashioned in a less than competent style! The score of the century for this new collector and a thrill for the chase that still keeps my adrenalin flowing.

**I've had many exciting experiences during my tool collecting career.....so have you! This column is dedicated to our members so that they may share their fun and excitement with others. Please take advantage of this opportunity and send me some of your special moments to be posted for all of us to enjoy.**

.....Jim Goodson



Courtney Gausman asks to have her bedtime re-considered!



A careful inspection by Courtney Hiebert



Tom & Marsha Dolhonde enjoy the auction

The Stanley Little Big Book  
A Comprehensive Pocket  
Price Guide for Planes  
By  
Clarence Blanchard

This just published little book is a must have for Stanley plane collectors! It's the first in what Clarence Blanchard promises will be an ongoing series of pocket price guides for Stanley tools. The author intends to print one book a year. This first book covers Stanley planes, next year's book will be the remainder of collectible Stanley tools, and in the third year Clarence will do the Stanley planes again with new information and updated prices.

The book lists all of the types of planes made by Stanley over the years and in addition includes planes made by Leonard Bailey both before and after his years with Stanley, as well as the Gage, Siegley, and the Seldon Bailey Defiance planes. The first section of the book is an excellent assessment of the current Stanley market and provides sound advice for both the novice and seasoned collector regarding type studies, condition, and the keys to value. The information about each type of plane with its accompanying photograph is a great help in identification and typing of Stanley planes. While the book doesn't contain all of the various Stanley type studies that have been done, the author does include information regarding major changes for a specific plane.

What I found most interesting about this book is the pricing system used by the author. Three prices are given for most of the tools listed in the book in an effort to truly reflect the condition of tools found in the collectible market. Clarence Blanchard has chosen three values for each plane and listed them in the book. They include "Average

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*A Comprehensive Pocket Price Guide For Planes*



*Clarence Blanchard*

Value" for tools that may not have been well cared for, but have no missing or broken parts. "Median Value" for tools that have been well taken care of despite the fact that they've been used, and "Top Value" for the best condition tools available to the collector. This pricing system does reflect the realities of the tool collecting market and will help the novice and the experienced collector separate the gems from the junk. As the author states, "As long as you buy by condition, sell by condition, and collect by condition, you are headed in the right direction".

At 4  $\frac{3}{4}$ " by 3  $\frac{3}{4}$ " this handy little volume fits neatly in your back pocket so it will be readily available at your favorite flea market or auction. The author has stuffed a lot of very useful information between the covers of this handy book. Anyone who comes in contact with Stanley planes needs to have this book!

Reviewed by

Paul Van Pernis

**(2007) S.W.T.C.A. Membership is U.S. \$12 per calendar year.**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Check one: New  Renewal  Information change

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**EM@RT**



Folks,  
EM@RT is being re-born. I've been wrapped tighter than a steel drum since the spring, but I'm back. So here is the next issue that will come out in the first week of October. If you would like to add anything, pass it on to your peeps, or trash it, be my guest.

Ads will only be inserted for a three month period, renewable as many times as folks want, but they must renew. I believe the most important part is the calendar. If you have any updates, please send to me. <<2006 EMART OCTOBER.doc>>

Thanks for your help  
Gregor

**Labor Day Meeting Expense Report**

The new SWTCA meeting format was promoted to help decrease meeting costs for members as well as to attract a greater number of attendees. I'm happy to report that this meeting proved successful in doing both. The Meeting breakdown was as follows:

<u>Meeting Cost</u> .....	\$1500.00
<u>Funds Generated</u>	
Table Sales.....	\$490.00
Room Nights (Credit).....	\$500.00
House Auction Credits.....	..\$500.00

The numbers here are rounded up and in the end, the Club still had one toe in the 'red' with the resulting Club Treasury Debit totaling the grand sum of **\$134.41**.

This show was a rousing success and we look to have similar results for the Spring Meet in Tulsa Oklahoma on Easter Weekend 2007 when Tim Hoss invites interested Tulsa locals to join with us. J.G.

PRESENT THE

*13th ANNUAL SUPER SATURDAY TOOL MEET*

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2007**

**BUY – SELL – TRADE ANTIQUE AND COLLECTIBLE TOOLS OF ALL PERSUASIONS  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL  
1319 BROWN TRAIL , BEDFORD , TEXAS**

(Bedford is 6 miles west of the south entrance of DFW Airport, midway between Dallas and Ft. Worth)

**8:30 am –** Doors Open  
**9:00 am –** Demonstration - TBD  
**10:00 am to 2:00 pm –** Trade Room Open

**\$10 Entry for Members and Guests ... Spouses free , \$10 TRADE TABLE  
Complimentary community sales table – max 3 items per member**

Info: GREGOR MSZAR 817.937.5475 or [gregormszar@comcast.net](mailto:gregormszar@comcast.net)

**DON'T FORGET, WE ALWAYS NEED EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS!!!**

----- **C U T H E R E** -----

**13TH ANNUAL SUPER SATURDAY TOOL MEET REGISTRATION**

**NAMES** \_\_\_\_\_ (As you want them on the badges.)

**City/State/Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**# of Members/Guests** \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$10.00 each - Spouses free

**# of Sales Tables** \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$10.00 each

**Total Enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Display Table:** Full Table( ) Half Table( ) Thanks, but NO( )

Please make checks **payable to SWTCA**.

**mail to:** Gregor Mszar, 1409 Circle Lane, Bedford, Texas, 76022-6743

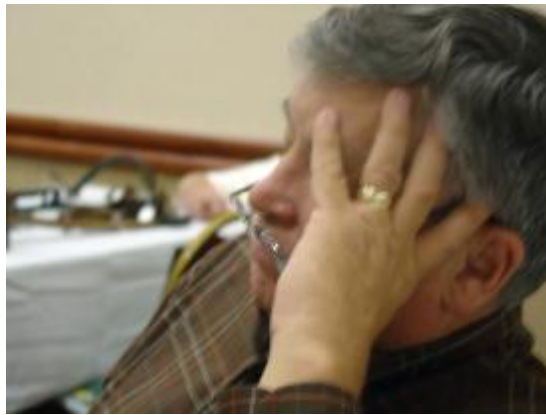
## SWTCA SPRING MEETING TO BE HELD IN TULSA OKLAHOMA ON EASTER WEEKEND APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup> 2007

The Spring SWTCA Tool Show will be held on April 8<sup>th</sup> 2007 (Easter Weekend once again) in Tulsa Oklahoma. Tim Hoss has volunteered to host the show and organize the particulars. As always, a flyer will be mailed prior to the event and specific details will be forthcoming both in that flyer and in the next newsletter. Be sure and include this event in your extended holiday weekend!

### The SWTCA Auction.....Always a Harbinger of Personal Expression



Courtney Gausman  
"The Win"



Lloyd Henley  
"The Concession"



Rick Whitehead  
A "Flicker" of Interest



### SWTCA 2007 Dues

Club membership renewals are due at the end of this month for the upcoming year 2007. Dues are \$12.00 per year again and a notice will be sent out to all members by Gregor Mszar along with his 'Bedford' Meeting notice. **You may also send in the membership form included with this Newsletter.**

Please do it now and don't procrastinate. Membership entitles you to four issues of the SWTCA Newsletter updating, illustrating and advertising all the SWTCA events for the year. It also provides a club directory of all members, their contact information and specific interests.

## In Loving Memory

It is with regret that we recognize here the passing of Judy Walcott, wife of John Walcott. Both were long time SWTCA members, supporters and activists in the tool collecting fraternity. Many of us know them first hand but I would like to direct your attention to a side of them you probably are not familiar with and one that is of an awesome and heart warming nature. An inspiring tribute to her life was written by John and is now listed on the SWTCA website ([www.swtca.org](http://www.swtca.org)) look under News. It will instill in you with its jovial warmth and selfless giving, a true feeling of Human worth. Too long to print here, .....it will indeed move you!



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for antique tools*

## Larry Williams (Williams and Clark) Noted for Outstanding Work

**Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, Thursday, September 21, 2006**

**EUREKA SPRINGS** — Larry Williams makes his living re-creating the past.

He makes traditional-style hand woodworking planes — like those used more than a century ago to create houses such as those found in this historic village of Victorian era structures.

Earlier this year, Williams was designated the 2006 Arkansas Living Treasure by the Arkansas Arts Council and the Department of Arkansas Heritage. This is the fifth year for the groups to recognize someone working in traditional crafts.

Nominated by the Eureka Springs mayor's office, he was one of 24 people nominated from across the state. He was honored at a reception in Eureka Springs earlier this year.

A living treasure is an Arkansan who is outstanding in the creation of a traditional craft, who has elevated the work to the status of art and who actively pursues and advances the art form, according to the arts council.

Joy Pennington, executive director of the Arkansas Arts Council, says Williams stood out for many reasons. "I think it was the combination of the quality of Larry's work and the fact that he's done research internationally," she says. "His work is exquisite." .....(story continues on [www.swtca.com/news](http://www.swtca.com/news))

Thanks to all of you who took the time to contribute articles and information for the compiling of this issue of the Newsletter. Much of the information included in this issue is there because you took a few minutes to make it accessible to others. I am grateful and all of us are better informed. Please keep your ears open and a few minutes of spare time available to share your experiences, opinions and news when you come upon them.  
.....Editor

*A Safe and Happy Holiday Season To All!*



## **SWTCA Tool Ads.**

At this time I would like to invite want ads from SWTCA club members (two ads maximum) to list once again in this newsletter. I started from scratch in the August newsletter as the previous listings are far out-dated and a clean slate appears to be in order at this time. Please feel free to send in your tool offerings and requests and of course a phone/fax/e-mail/or mailing address where you can be reached.

Always one of the issues concerned with this newsletter feature was the maintenance and constant updating of these ads. History has shown that these ads too often are posted and not updated, pulled or re-verified in any way often over the course of several years. To make it easier on everyone, I propose to list all ads for a maximum of one year (four issues) at which time they will be cancelled automatically unless requested by the member to continue running. Any time sensitive advertising will of course be dropped once the reference date has passed.

### **WANT ADS ARE AN IMPORTANT RESOURCE**

for Club Members so put this feature to work for you.....it's an excellent membership privilege. Send your ads to: [www.springhill@sbcglobal.net](mailto:www.springhill@sbcglobal.net) or mail to: James Goodson ( SWTCA Editor)

1102 East 7 ½ St.  
Houston Tx. 77009.

**WANTED:** Figuratively carved or decorated wooden European Hand Tools (preferably 18c.). Planes, Braces, Marking Gauges and other wooden tool relics with carved dates, religious symbols, flowers, plants, and any sort of geometric pattern of chains, dots, ropes, punch marks, scallops scrolls, volutes, crosses and stylized horn profiles.

**ALSO WANTED:** Photos and Information about these tools for reference and a prolific comparative record underway. FELLOW ENTHUSIASTS to share and appreciate these early folk art pieces with. Please contact: James Goodson, (SWTCA Editor) at [www.springhill@sbcglobal.net](mailto:www.springhill@sbcglobal.net) or (713) 869-4435

**WANTED:** Winchester items. Good+ to Mint. David McDonald. 14211 Kellywood, Houston, Tx. (281) 558-5236  
e-mail: [undermc@ev1.net](mailto:undermc@ev1.net)

FOR SALE: A new reference book for patent research. A detailed manual on how to research patents on line on the USPTO website. Includes tables of issue dates and patent #'s up to 1900, together with tables of patent classes. All you need to know to locate and print out patents quickly! 73 pp., 8½"x11", spiral bound. \$20.00 + \$2.50 shipping. Contact Philip Stanley, 36 Stockton Street, Apt. 2, Worcester MA 01610 or at [philstan@rcn.com](mailto:philstan@rcn.com).

TOOL SWAP MEET INFORMATION: TOOLSWAP/USA is the Voice of the Independent Tool Collector, Dealer, and User. The Web Site ([www.toolswapusa.com](http://www.toolswapusa.com)) links to Old Tool Dealers and Tool Events across the country. We also put on nine Old Tool Swap Meets in Southern CA (2 in San Diego, 4 in LA and 3 in Orange County). If you want to be on an Email Reminder List, send your name and email to [laura@toolswapusa.com](mailto:laura@toolswapusa.com). Plan your next visit to CA around an Old Tool Swap Meet. Check the Web Site for swap meet schedules. Laura Pitney

INFORMATION: Sign of the Jointer, a quarterly journal on wooden planes, has started the 5th year of publication. The journal contains articles covering wooden planes and planemakers as well as unpublished marks and new information. New information is solicited from all those interested in wooden planes by American, English and Canadian makers. Subscriptions are \$16 per year. Please contact Pat Lasswell, 6211 Elmgrove Rd, Spring, Texas, 77389, 281-251-3121, or by email at [pmlasswell@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pmlasswell@sbcglobal.net)

WANTED: Seeking material for book. All items marked "The Winchester Store" and all pre-1943 advertising, sports items and paper. Also ARMAX, BARNEY & BERRY, CRUSADER, and HENDRYX items. Tim Melcher, (918) 786-8500. [tmelcher@greencis.net](mailto:tmelcher@greencis.net) and at [www.thewinchesterstore.com](http://www.thewinchesterstore.com)

## Tool Collector's Calendar

(Always Confirm as Information is Subject to Change)

<b>2007</b>		
<b>JANUARY 2007</b>		
JAN 26-27	MWTCA AREA P MEET, YORK, PENNSYLVANIA	WILLIAM WARNER, 717-843-8105
<b>FEBRUARY 2007</b>		
FEB 3	THE SUPER SATURDAY TOOL MEET, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL, BEDFORD, TEXAS (always the Saturday before the Super Bowl)	GREGOR MSZAR, 817-937-5474 <a href="mailto:gregormszar@comcast.net">gregormszar@comcast.net</a>
<b>MARCH 2007</b>		
MAR 3-4	M-WTCA AREA F MEET, SPENCER, INDIANA	MATT BORDERS, 812-824-9318
MAR 16-17	LIVE FREE OR DIE ANTIQUE TOOL AUCTIONS, RAMADA INN HOTEL, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA	MARTIN DONNELLY , 800-869-0695 <a href="http://www.mjdtools.com">www.mjdtools.com</a>
MAR 30-31	30 <sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL SHOW/AUCTION – BROWN AUCTION SERVICES, RADDISON INN, CAMP HILL, PENNSYLVANIA	CLARENCE BLANCHARD , 800-248-8114 <a href="mailto:ceb@finetoolj.com">ceb@finetoolj.com</a>
MAR 31	49th DAVID STANLEY INTERNATIONAL AUCTION , CHARNWOOD ARMS HOTEL, N. COALVILLE, LEICESTERSHIRE, ENGLAND	DAVID STANLEY , 011-44-1530-222320 <a href="http://www.davidstanley.com">www.davidstanley.com</a>
<b>APRIL 2007</b>		
APR 8	SWTCA Spring Meeting in Tulsa Oklahoma - <u>EASTER WEEKEND</u> Details to be announced	Tim Hoss (918)-143-9297 <a href="mailto:wwwthoss@hillcrest.com">wwwthoss@hillcrest.com</a>

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