



Southwest Tool Collector's Association

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I rarely wear sunglasses, but the glare I'm getting at the moment has me looking for the last place I may have left them. I'm not outside right now but

in my workroom at my workbench giving a cursory cleaning to an extremely minty model 45 combination plane offered by Montgomery Wards ca.1960s or so. It was constructed by Stanley Tools for Montgomery Ward and varies

only minimally in its design from the Stanley model so as to set it slightly apart in appearance. It is in every way, an inspiring vision of woodworking technology. Its bright red protective paint around two of the top adjusting screws is unchanged from the day it was applied and the polish on the nickel finish is as reflective as a mirror to my eyes. I am fondly going over every inch of it and in my mind I am flashing back to a period some 15 years or so earlier and a personally touching story I have kept to myself for many many years.



Years ago, my involvement in hunting for tools primarily took place at tool shows and the infamous Canton flea market just outside Dallas Texas. The Canton Texas venue generally included a weekend stay with my Father 100 miles away near Nacogdoches. This particular weekend I had made a decision on my way out of Houston to be somewhat more passive in my scrutiny of any tools I was curious about and happened to handle while in his rather abundantly appointed tool and implement facilities. He had a habit of offering to me just about everything I picked up and showed any interest in. Most of these curiosities I truly had no desire for and the rest I would feel guilty about so the plan would be to decline any offers made on this trip and to concentrate on the fellowship and the thrill of the Canton market. Shortly after my arrival late one Thursday evening, I was surprised to find him still up as he religiously retired at about 8:00 PM and awoke every morning about 4:00. After a cursory greeting he said he had something to show me and pulled out this mint 45 still with the box, blades and all parts including the little adjusting screwdriver. He seemed very pleased with his acquisition and recounted how he had come upon it and purchased it for \$100. That was a small price at that time for a minty 45 as it was the hay day of the 'multi planes' and they were very hot items. I had probably 5 different early models then and was collecting the earliest models I could find. His next words to me were.....'Would you like to have it?'. I must have gasped just a bit for it truly was a gorgeous sight to road weary eyes and I really would have hung sheetrock by myself for a week just to have such a beautiful piece in my collection. But my convictions overruled and I told him that I truly admired the piece but I thought it would be of far more benefit if left with his collection instead of mine. He quietly placed it back in the box and after a few hours of sleep, we were off to Canton well before dawn. One of our meeting points was at the location of a preacher and his brother who were good friends with my Father. Their dealer site was a handy location for him and he frequently left his purchases there while he continued looking over the grounds a while longer. This was the case on this day and after some conversation, he left and I prepared to set off on a different route. Just at that time, one of the brothers approached excitedly and asked if my Father had 'given the plane to me yet?'.
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The whole story was suddenly and shockingly clear now. The beautiful 45 had been purchased the month before and the anticipation of presenting it as a gift to me was excitedly shared by my Father with the Preacher and his brother. It was to have been a very special and personal gift for me.

....I could not bring myself to discuss the issue for the rest of the weekend and the lovely tool went into a showcase the following afternoon. Ever so often after that, I would pull the plane out to admire but the conversation never centered around it again and the offer was never repeated. At some point I carefully oiled the surfaces in preparation for its lengthy repose.

Today with the glare in my eyes from my workbench light, it is with a heartfelt sorrow that I lovingly admire this beautiful tool. My Father A.C.Goodson passed away in August two days after his 91st birthday and with the sounds of the Church Organ from his service still fresh in my ears, I retrieved at last this gift from the heart and with it, a feeling of closeness to a presence now removed from my side.Jim Goodson

Details from the MWTCA Meeting in Springfield Missouri



At the midwest semiannual meet in Springfield, Missouri, there were 482 members present. There was a good representation of southwest members at the meet from Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Kansas.

The Spring 2008 M-WTCA in Erie Pennsylvania on June 12-14.

The Fall 2008 for M-WTCA in Springfield, Illinois.

.....Emery Goad

Awesome Bow Drill Display by Jim Davis

The day and a half trip to Springfield Missouri from Houston for the MWTCA semiannual tool meet sparked for us with the most incredible clear skies and cool air imaginable. Leaving Summer behind is pleasure enough, but coupled with the tool show event which lay just a day ahead of us nearly overwhelmed the senses. This was my first MWTCA meeting in over a decade and I was anxious for the opportunity to spend some four days involved in room trading, parking lot trading, meeting room trading and any number of locally sponsored events which were organized for our enjoyment. It was time too to rekindle some friendships with members I hadn't seen in many years.



By 5:00 AM Thursday the serious buyers were already in the parking lot with 'hands free' lights wound snugly around their foreheads. The earlier the search, the more opportunity you have to unearth something very special. Though this truism is something I am well aware of, my alarm no less, would still be set at 6:00 AM and I would blissfully risk any early opportunities for an extra hour of peaceful repose after the long drive.

The chill of the morning air was not unexpected but caught me by surprise anyway. So did the extent of the dealers in the parking lot. The trading this day would go on well into the mid afternoon and most of the remaining lots would end up on the trade room floor the following day. I would nail two fine purchases this day and two more on the following day. For my collection, that is excellent and for the opportunity to visit this extensive organization once again I was very pleased.

Editor

Connecticut or Strap Adze shaped with the profile of a horse and rider

SWTCA Fall Meeting in Albuquerque New Mexico

The Southwest Tool Collectors and Rocky Mountain Tool Collectors had a good combined tool meet in Albuquerque New Mexico over the Labor Day weekend. We had 85 members registered from the two clubs. We had an auction that brought over \$3,000 and a large number of donations to the clubs which also realize a small percentage of the proceeds from sales.

Steve Scruggs of the Rocky Mountain Tool Collectors Club, gave a talk on the US Patent Office, and the collecting of patent models. The shows gracious and most capable hosts were Connie and Dave Fessler.

.....Emery Goad

One Of the very primary functions to take place at this meeting was the honoring of long time member and tireless contributor Bill McDougall at the banquet ceremonies.



**Bill McDougall
SWTCA Lifetime Membership Award**

**In recognition for 20 years
of outstanding service, fellowship,
participation and guidance
in the growth and development of the
Southwest Tool Collectors Association.**

**From its grateful officers and membership
September 2007**

Bill McDougall (above) is shown with his lovely wife Joan, receiving honorary membership awards from both the Southwest Tool Collectors and the Rocky Mountain Tool Collectors Clubs. His contributions have been immeasurable and have helped sustain both clubs through all the good and not so good times. His legacy is embedded in many of those members who continue to promote and organize our clubs and carry out their agendas into the future. A simple award could never say enough. Thanks Bill for the many fine memories!

Jim Goodson

The SWTCA Spring Meeting

Will be held in Tulsa Oklahoma and Hosted Once Again
by Tim (Tim'eril) Hoss
Specific Details To Come In The Next Newsletter

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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

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for the Following:

NEW DIRECTORY CHANGES

(none reported)

PLEASE TAKE A MINUTE!!

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

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International Antique tools, Folk art and Bygones Auction sale

To be held in Nantes (France)

Nov 17th 2007

Printed and on line catalogues available in English
All lots photographed with
descriptions & estimates.

For all info, contact [>tcoutert@wanadoo.fr<](mailto:tcoutert@wanadoo.fr)

NEW WEBSITE: Tom Lamond has created a website which features some articles which are a result of his intensive research. Please go to www.yesteryearstools.com, look around and let Tom know what you think!

SWTCA Tool Ads.

**Please Send in a Story, an Article,
an Advertisement or a Topic of Interest For
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P.A.S.T. Meeting Schedule

San Luis Obispo, California: PAST Central California Fall Tool Show, November 2007. Contact Paul Bujold, (805) 931-0281, email <PHBCO@aol.com>.

San Diego, California: PAST Winter Tool Show, January 2008. Contact Al Bennett, (619) 334-9150, email <albitron2@cox.net>.

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.springhill1@sbcglobal.net or mail to: James Goodson (SWTCA Editor)
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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.springhill1@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



**SWTCA Fall Meeting to be held jointly with
the RMTCA-&-MWTCA in Albuquerque
N.M.**

**A separate meeting notice with the details
will be mailed.**

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., 8 1/2"x11", spiral bound. \$20.00 + \$2.50 shipping. Contact Philip Stanley, 36 Stockton Street, Apt. 2, Worcester MA 01610 or at philstan@rcn.com.

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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

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. tim@wavelinx.net and at www.thewinchesterstore.com

Upcoming Area Meetings for 2008

Area-I is planning a joint meet with Southwest Tool Collectors February 2, 2008, Knights of Columbus Hall, Bedford, Texas, Host is Gregor Mszar, 817-937-5475, gregormszar@tx.rr.com.

Areas I-J-K joint meeting (GroundHog Meet) February 9, 2008 at Clarion Hotel, Bentonville, Arkansas. Host is Emery Goad, 888-889-3340, kisinc@swbell.net.

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Tool Talk
Forum



WANTED

Members for a free and friendly discussion forum about buying, selling, and collecting vintage hand tools . Tool Talk is a forum for tool people to use to talk about old tools from wrenches to rare woodworking tools. Members from around the net offer their perspectives about all sorts of tools on Tool Talk in the forum.

Membership is free and the discussions are relaxed and open to all who join. The benefits are having a place to show off recent buys, tools for sale, and to see what the others are interested in.

Forum topics are : Wrenches, Woodworking Tools, Auto and Motorcycle Tools, General Discussion, and Buy-Sell-Trade.

Tool Talk does not have off-topic posts very often, and most of the internet junk such as netspeak , smileys and spam are frowned upon.

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It's THAT time of the year once again!

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.....Editor



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