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## End Grain End Grain

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### Quercus Rubra (Red Oak)

Quercus is Latin for “fine tree”. The genus Quercus includes all the white and red oaks of North America. Rubra is Latin for red.

The red oak species generally have leaves that have bristles on the tips where the white oak has smooth tips on the leaves. The fruit of all the oaks is an acorn. Acorns feed a lot of animals in the forest but cause problems in cattle if too many are eaten. People cannot eat the nuts because of the high tannic acid content.

The red oak group consists of many different species.

There are: Northern oak, Southern oak, Shumard oak, Willow oak, and Water oak.

The highest quality wood comes from the Shumard oak and the lowest quality wood comes from the water oak. The most common trees are the Northern and Southern red oak. The highest historical use has been for flooring and then cabinetry. With the downturn in the economy and the use of composite flooring, red oak is now used for railroad ties, posts, beams, and construction materials.

Red oaks generally grow from 80 to 100 feet high with a 3 foot diameter trunk. Most of the red oak species are fast growing compared to white oak, hard maple, walnut and black cherry. The fastest growing red oaks are along the Mississippi River where 4 feet diameter is common.

Properly cured red oak machines well with hand or power tools. One reason red oak has become so popular as a furniture and cabinet making species is it’s ability to stain quite well while retaining it’s grain patterns. If you want a black walnut hue to your project red oak is a great choice. It can also handle red hues as well as fruitwood stains.

The best looking red oak is a clear natural finish. Red oak that is sanded with 220 grit and finished with a good sealer and an ambering top coat is beautiful. Rob prefers quarter sawn but many wood workers like plain sawn red oak .

Unlike some tight-grained species of wood Rob does not recommend you apply a coat of linseed oil to red oak. Its porous grain soaks up the oil which will bleed for days or even weeks. He also tends to avoid oil based stains for the same reason. With red oak – or any other species of oak for that matter- I seal it with good coat of dewaxed shellac or a lacquer-based sanding sealer before I start my final finish coats. This is true regardless of whether it is raw wood or has been stained.

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### For Sale

Used one horsepower Craftsman Dust Collector Model # 113.299780 for sale. It is in excellent operating condition. Asking **\$150.00**.

Call Sid Sidler 319-233-1298



### The Oak Bulletin Board

The regular CVWA Meeting Will be at the Waterloo Center for the Arts 225 Commercial at 6:30 November10, 2009

The next Executive Board meeting will be Wednesday November18, 2009, 7:00 PM at Hy-Vee Crossroads

meeting room.

Scroll saw club meeting , November19, 6:00 PM at Art Mehman's shop.

Corridor Wood turners meeting November12, 2009 at John Shwartzkopf's Shop in the Cherry Building 329 10th Ave SE in Cedar Rapids.

### Hy-Vee Fall Fest Oct. 24

#### Display Set up

Even with limited advertising we had a good show members displayed numerous projects. Current members stopped by as well as potential new members.

**Thanks Everybody**



**Club Meeting- October 13, 2009**

The CVWA monthly meeting was called to order by President Jeanine Begalske at 6:30 p.m. at the Waterloo Art Center. Three (3) guests and fifty eight (58) members were welcomed and reminded out of respect, to turn off cell phones. President Jeanine thanked everyone who made the **National Cattle Congress** display a great success. Vice President, Reed Craft, spoke highly of the wood projects and would like more members to join in next year. Our **Swap Meet** was held October 3, 2009. There were eight vendors with lots of tools. Despite the cold weather and rain, it was a great time. There was talk of having it a month earlier next year. Thanks to Crossroads HyVee for the excellent location!! Thanks goes to Dave Turner for getting us the location and all the work that Gene Knief did to make it great. Thanks, guys! November is our **annual Toy-give-away** for the Salvation Army. This is just a reminder to bring your items next month. Our **demo for November** will be Kevin Bierman and Bob Hewlitt with Turning using the Hollowing Bars. Our next executive meeting will be Wednesday October 21, 2009, held at the Crossroads HyVee upstairs meeting room at 7:00 p.m. Anyone is welcome. **Our December meeting will be our Christmas Party. This will be held on Wednesday, December 9th.**

**Open to Members:**

Garylee Thrum had information on the new RBI owners. If anyone didn't pick up a flyer, the contact person is Jim (620) 562-3557, [jnye@hawkwoodworkingtools.com](mailto:jnye@hawkwoodworkingtools.com) or [www.rbiwoodtools.com](http://www.rbiwoodtools.com). The new owners are Bushton Manufacturing in Bushton, Kansas.

Dave Turner brought up about Shop Tours. If interested, please call Dave. Also, Dave brought 35 mm film containers and cardboard backings for patterns.

Jerry Krug had order forms for shirts and caps with the CVWA logo. Again, Jerry is the man to talk to about this.

There is a sign up sheet to find out who all is interested in a turning club in the Cedar Falls/Waterloo area. Sign up or talk to Gene Knief.

Kevin Bierman has a Jet lathe 1442 for sale. If interested, call Kevin.

**Show & Tell:**

Glenn Johnson- (5) Plaques / U.S. Navy Seabee Veteran scrolled  
 Garylee Thurm- Ten Commandments Cross / Fretwork  
 Pat Vollbrecht- Intarsia Eagle  
 Dick Buchanan- Wooden Safe  
 Bob Anderson- Tractor and Wagon ( this won best of show at National Cattle Congress)  
 Dan Webb- Desk Organizer made out of Cherry and Aspen  
 Bob Colby- Pictures of office furniture he's making  
 Robert Jefferson- Pictures of a garden shed ( built to resemble the house)

**Tool Raffle:**

Paul Bailey won the tool raffle. He chose the sanding pads. Our guest, George Schumacher was the lucky winner of the tape measure.

We want to thank Rhio Cleigh, Tom Duffy, Tom James and Robert Jefferson for bringing treats this month. Thanks to Don Gurney for the coffee.

Our demonstration for the evening is by Brad Witt from WoodHaven. This company has everything for the router table ( including the table). Brad showed us many different tools that save on time from coping sleds, horizontal router tables, to a jig that tilts your router for just the right angle. WoodHaven is located in Durant, IA and is also a sponsor for CVWA. Their phone number is (800) 344-6657. Thanks Brad for a great demo.

Respectfully Submitted- Wanda Bailey / Secretary

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**CVWA Executive Meeting- October 21, 2009**

The meeting was held with twelve (12) members present. These were: Reed Craft, Bob Anderson, Gene Knief, Wanda Bailey, Paul Bailey, Dennis Gilroy, Bob Hewlitt, Jim Wickle, Jeanine Begalske, Dave Turner, Rick Ruport, and Pat Vollbrecht. Paul Bailey gave the treasurer's report. Income for the month was \$151.12 with expenses being \$501.14. Tool fund is \$319.38. The treasurer's report was accepted and filed.

President Jeanine mentioned an email from Sid Sidler. Sid wanted to see if the club was interested in making cremation urns for a fund raiser. Since we are a non profit organization, this was not an option. This will be brought up to the members to see if anyone is interested on doing it on their own.

Much discussion was on the upcoming HyVee Fall Fest, October 24, 2009. Members of the board worked out the hours each would work the table.

Reed Craft will contact the Salvation Army for the Toy-Give-Away next month

For our November meeting, Kevin Bierman will be needing a 220 extension cord. Pat Vollbrecht will bring his cord. More discussion was on the upcoming demonstrations for the beginning of 2010.

Christmas tools and table decorations were talked about. It was decided on to give \$400.00 from the general fund to the tool fund. It was agreed and accepted.

Elections for 2010 will take place during our November meeting. Rick Ruport volunteered to have his name on the ballot for 2nd Vice President.

Our official Annual Corporation Meeting will be added to our November meeting. This is in

compliance with the corporation process.

The deadline for the newsletter is October 28, 2009.

Respectfully Submitted- Wanda Bailey / Secretary

Cedar Valley Woodworkers  
Treasurers Report October 21, 2009

<b>Beginning Balance:</b>		
Dues	987.11	
Raffle:	482.14	
Subtotal		1469.25
<b>Income:</b>		
Raffle	95.00	
Swap Meet	40.00	
Hat	16.00	
Div	. 12	
Subtotal		151.12
<b>Expenses</b>		
#2370 Gene Knief-Ad	42.38	
#2371 -Liability Ins	201.00	
#2372 Paul Bailey-Tools	10.68	
#2373 Gene Knief-Tools	47.74	
#2374 Betty Vollbrecht	<u>199.34</u>	
Subtotal		501.14
<b>Ending Balance</b>		1119.23
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<b>Dues</b>	<b>799.85</b>	
<b>Raffle</b>	<b>319.38</b>	
<b>Total</b>		<b>1119.23</b>



# Show and Tell



**Upper Left:** Wooden Safe by Dick Buchanan    **Upper Right:** Ten Commandments Cross

**Center Top:** Desk Organizer by Dan Webb    **Center Bottom** Navy Seabee Plaque by Glenn Johnson

**Lower Left:** Tractor and Wagon Bob Anderson    **Lower Right** Intarsia Eagle by Pat Vollbrect

Not pictured here are Bob Colby pictures of Office Furniture and Robert Johnson pictures of a Garden Shed built to look like a house



Brad Witt from Woodhaven is explaining some of the unique features and products produced by Woodhaven right here in Iowa. In the last photo at the right he is showing how to use a template to make arches on cabinet doors



# 2 X 4 CONTEST

In my experience there are few species of lumber that are more well-liked or

more versatile than red oak.



**Top Row Left;** Childs Tool Set by Bob Anderson **Center:** Segmentation picture by Pat Vollbrecht **Above Right :** Segmented turned vase with flower by Kevin Bierman

**Center Row Left:** Two Doll Cradles by Bob Hewlitt **Center Row Right:** Mantle Clock by Reed Craft

**Bottom Row Left:** Three Legged Stool by Reed Craft **Center:** Boat oar by Don Anderson **Right:** Penny Hockey Game by Bob Anderson



List of Mentors for Club Members. I believe the mentor's time is free, but the person being mentored is expected to cover any material costs.

Canoe/Kayak construction, Chip Schmidt, 277-8504, cschmidt@cfu.net

Detailed Toys, Bob Anderson, 232-9813, wtoys@yahoo.com

Jack of all trades (enjoys a Challenge), Hank Morris, 235-0692, hankannam@aol.com

Has the Ability to figure MOST problems out—Dick Buchanan, 277-2477, rbuchanan@cfu.net

Intarsia, Pat Vollbrecht, 232-1923, patV35@mchsi.com

Fretwork, Garylee Thurm, 279-3219, flytying4u@hotmail.com

Cabinet making, Tom Bussey, 641-435-4354, tebussey@gmail.com

Wood carving, Sid Sidler, 233-1396, sidsstudio@aol.com

Furniture and cabinet building, Jerry Krug, 475-2391, jkrug@netins.net

### Classes and Services for Pay by Fellow Club Members

*Sharpening services by Glenn Johnson, 641-435-2511*

*Sharpening Services by Carl Leavell, 319-233-4491*

*Sharpening Service Gary Lee Thurm 319-231-4577*

### NEW PATTERN TEMPLATE LIBRARY

Your executive board has developed a new loaner program that might be of interest to each of you. Though the contribution of several different individuals the following full size templates are available for check-out by club members:

Nativity set:

Rocking horse:

Two different doll cradles

Should any of you have a pattern template set that your willing to share, call a board member!

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Cedar Falls**

## Officers and Committee Members

### Elected Committee Members

President Jeanine Begalske

*1st Vice President* Reed Craft

*2nd Vice President*

*Secretary* Wanda Bailey

*Treasurer* Paul Bailey

### Appointed Committee Members

*Committee Member* Rick Rupert

*Committee Member* Gene Knief

### Appointed Committee Members

*Committee Member* Dave Turner

*Committee Member* Robert Hewlitt

*Committee Member* Dennis Gilroy

*Club photographer* John Mason/Bob Glawe

*Refreshment Chairman* Bob Anderson

*Newsletter* Jim Wikle