

# Agenda – May 2023 AZ Woodworkers

- Welcome / Call to Order
- In May, a woodworker donated his shop to the club
  - Workshop tool/wood donation greatly benefited club.
  - 15 members participated in first day cleanup / sale
  - Please see treasurer Ray to make your final payments
  - Many THANKS to Lee Neufeld who “ran point” for this donation
  - We are open to future donations (Note: AZ Woodworkers is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization)
- Today’s Educations Topic: Phoenix Forge Tour
- Sponsor news: Rockler grand re-opening
- AZ Woodworkers in the News: Thomas Porter
- Upcoming Meetings
- 2x4 Contest
- Show and Tell
- 50/50 Drawing
- Break
- FEATURED EDUCATIONAL TOPIC – Phoenix Forge Tour

# Today's Topic: Phoenix Forge Tour

- Phoenix Forge makerspace includes
  - Woodworking
  - Metal Fabrication and Welding
  - Electronics & Robotics
  - 3D Printing
  - Jewelry Making and Metalsmithing
  - Textiles
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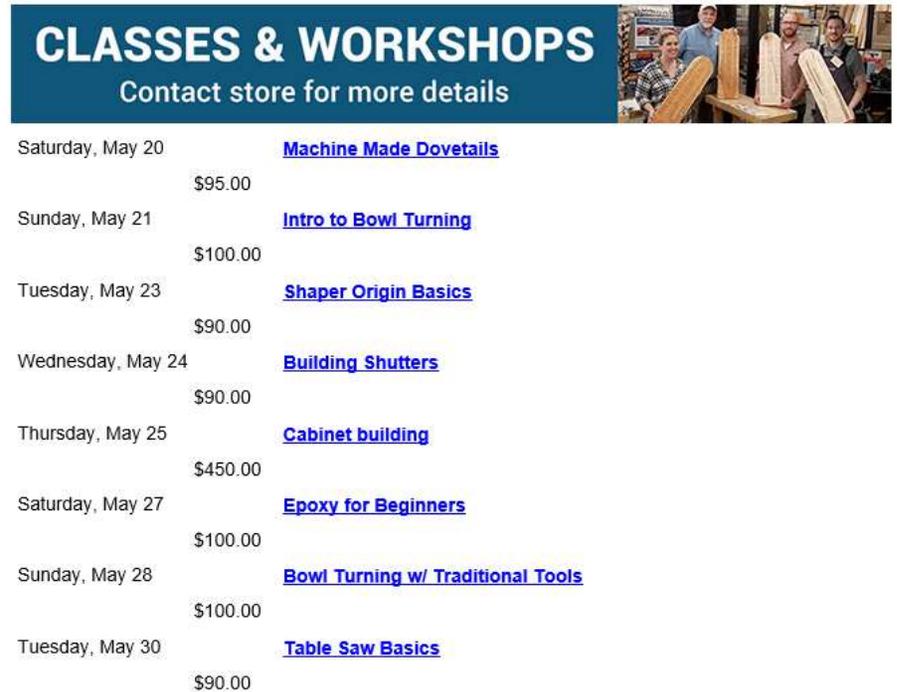
# Sponsor News: ROCKLER Grand Re-Opening



**GRAND RE-OPENING!**  
JOIN US AT OUR NEWLY EXPANDED  
PHOENIX LOCATION MAY 13<sup>TH</sup> - JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup>!

4626 E. Thunderbird Rd | Phoenix, Arizona

- Lots of Giveaways and Sale Items



**CLASSES & WORKSHOPS**  
Contact store for more details

Saturday, May 20	<a href="#">Machine Made Dovetails</a>
\$95.00	
Sunday, May 21	<a href="#">Intro to Bowl Turning</a>
\$100.00	
Tuesday, May 23	<a href="#">Shaper Origin Basics</a>
\$90.00	
Wednesday, May 24	<a href="#">Building Shutters</a>
\$90.00	
Thursday, May 25	<a href="#">Cabinet building</a>
\$450.00	
Saturday, May 27	<a href="#">Epoxy for Beginners</a>
\$100.00	
Sunday, May 28	<a href="#">Bowl Turning w/ Traditional Tools</a>
\$100.00	
Tuesday, May 30	<a href="#">Table Saw Basics</a>
\$90.00	

# AZ Woodworkers in the News

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- Thomas Porter of Porter Barn Wood was recently featured on FOX News “Made in Arizona”
- Play video
- Porter’s web site:  
[porterbarnwood.com](http://porterbarnwood.com)



# Upcoming Meetings

- TODAY'S TOPIC – Phoenix Forge Tour
- June - Useful Jigs for Woodworking / 2x4 contest
  - Bring a jig or tool (or more than one!) you've found helpful in your woodworking
  - "2x4 Build 2023" contest - bring their entries. Prize winners to be chosen.
- July - Social Event at Culinary Dropout in Tempe
  - Last year summer meetings cancelled due to low attendance (vacations, etc.)
  - fun time of food, drinks, networking, and talking about tools, workshops, woodworking.
- August - Using the Track Saw in Place of the Table Saw
  - Recent trend to use track saw in place of table saw to saving cost, space ease of use
  - Rich Best will present methods and benefits of using track saw in place of table saw.
- Fall / Winter (subject to change)
  - Veneering
  - Steam Wood Bending by Eric Morris
  - Holiday Party
- See me (Walter) or any board member with topics of interest
- Planning for charitable woodworking activities (such as flag cases) – ideas?

# 2x4 Contest Rules

- **General:**
  - Use only one 2x4 - 8 ft. board
  - Hardware (hinges, handles, etc) is OK
  - Dowels OK
- **Tools:**
  - Power or hand tools. No CNC or laser
- **Finishes:**
  - Any standard woodworking stain / finish is OK
  - Finish is optional; bare wood is OK
- **New builds only:**
  - No past projects as your entry
  - Bring past projects for show and tell
- **Design:**
  - Does not have to be original. For inspiration, several project ideas are online
  - Design need not be fancy or complicated
  - For example, a jig made from a 2x4 would match the June meeting theme
- **Goal is Participation and Fun. However...**
  - Prizes will be awarded
  - Gift cards for First, Second, Third place
- Can have more than one entry
- Bring entry to JUNE meeting
- These rules are posted on web site.

# Some Inspiration



- Show and Tell
- 50/50 Drawing

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