

## **NOTES FROM THE AUGUST 14, 2016, SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND SCROLLERS CLUB MEETING**

Ten (10) people attended the meeting, including 2 new people who are now on the email list. Please join me in welcoming Harry and Marilyn Goldberg to our membership roster. Great to see new faces at our meetings!

Our theme for August was "butterflies" so several members brought examples of their efforts over the summer. Murray brought some very beautiful butterfly themed examples of his work using "Corian". He brought a trivet and two coasters that he had cut.

Bill B. brought several 2 part butterflies made from plywood that are glued together so the wings are upward at an angle. Some were painted and some were natural finish. Great ornaments or sun-catchers.

Maurille M. brought painted fretwork butterflies he had made several months ago, The 1/8" fretwork was glued to a 1/8" backer, and each butterfly was painted a different color scheme. Very pretty!

I (Arnie) brought four (4) butterflies, 2 cut from 1/8 inch plywood and 2 cut from solid wood. These fretwork butterflies were used to experiment with using inlase and epoxy to fill the holes cut in the wings. All of the methods I used were failures, but it was a great learning experience!

Max S. brought 3 fretwork butterflies he cut on his laser and filled the holes with casting epoxy. He used food coloring to tint the epoxy, and tried different ways of sealing the bottom surface of the wing when he poured the casting epoxy into the fretwork holes. He had much better results than I did with my epoxy, but he still experienced a few problems as well.

Although Bud S. did not bring butterflies, he did bring a picture of some that he had made in the past, as well as a beautiful birdhouse he had recently finished. He decorated it with leaves he had cut out of wood and overlaid on the sides and roof of the birdhouse. Great job Bud!

All of these projects can be seen by visiting our website:  
[www.SouthernNewEnglandScrollers.Weebly.com](http://www.SouthernNewEnglandScrollers.Weebly.com)

The very short business portion of the meeting concerned the reorganization of the Scrollsaw Association of the World (SAW), and our hopes for the future of the organization.

We discussed a few questions raised by attendees (including me), with suggestions for solutions brought forth by the people that were present. It made for a great meeting in a relaxed and informative atmosphere. I had a great time, learned something new, and I hope every one else did as well.

The next meeting is October 9, 2016, at the Woodcraft Store in Manchester, CT. The theme for October is Halloween, so bring in a project (or several projects) that fits the theme for the meeting. Hope to see many of you there!

Arnie