



# GARDEN STATE MARQUETRY SOCIETY PLUS

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## Highlights from our February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010 Meeting

**The meeting was called to order** by John Truskowski on February 13<sup>th</sup>, instead of the previously scheduled February 6<sup>th</sup> date, due to snow conditions. Note: Meetings are rarely rescheduled, but do be sure that your latest contact information (email and phone number) is on file with John T so that you can be notified if needed.

**Library Display:** For the month of March, we again will have Club projects exhibited in the Library Display cases. We will move pieces displayed at the recent Woodworking Show to the Library display cases. All projects will be returned at the April meeting.

**DRC Supplies** – New supplies are always being added, so take a look. New high quality veneer packets have already sold out, more will be available at the next meeting.

**Club Library** – Pat Miles is collecting Intarsia patterns and will list what’s available to borrow. Please return patterns in the same condition you borrowed them.

**Membership Dues** are being collected at the meeting during the break time.

**Election of Officers** – Current officers were reelected.

**The Woodworking Show** took place on February 19–

21, 2010, in the usual location, the Garden State Exhibit Center in Somerset, NJ. See pictures on page 4 of this newsletter.

**Club Shirts** – We are currently looking for a local supplier for club shirts, however, we will not be ordering more shirts until the current batch is sold. As requested, hats and patches are coming.

**The Door Prize** for the February meeting is a Gift Certificate donated by Rockler Companies.

### Handouts available at the front table included:

- Handouts from Pete’s Demo about Rust Removal Electrolysis have also been posted to our website under “Resources & Links”: <http://www.gsmsplus.com/resources.php>.
- Flier about Delaware Valley Woodcarving Show coming up March 27–28 in Bucks County, PA (ask John T for more info)
- Silent Auction items
- Additional Information on Intarsia, e.g., Judy Gale Roberts’ Intarsia newsletter.
- Additional Information on Furniture Restoring, e.g., “Van Dyke’s Restorers” catalog; ask John T if you want to order anything from the catalog.

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### Upcoming Meetings:

In 2010: Mar 6<sup>th</sup>; April 3<sup>rd</sup>; May 1<sup>st</sup>; June 5<sup>th</sup>.

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**Helpful Tip** – When placing catalog orders, don't be afraid to ask the company if shipping fees can be waived, especially if shipping fees are what may prevent you from placing an order.

**Next Meeting at the Library will be on March 6th.**

The topic of this meeting will be: "Beginning Marquetry". Please bring your questions. □

### ANNOUNCEMENT

Dr. Shayegan will have his Marquetry pictures on display at the Philadelphia Museum of Art in the Woodworking Exhibit on Saturday, March 14, 2010.



John T. brought in the Marquetry press he made with instructions he provided on: "Plans for a Simple Veneer Press for Marquetry", available on the Club's website at: [http://gsmsplus.com/resources/Veneer\\_Press.pdf](http://gsmsplus.com/resources/Veneer_Press.pdf)

## Rust Removal Electrolysis Demonstration by Pete Laudati

Pete Laudati gave a demonstration on Rust Removal Electrolysis. He kept things simple, but also provided several websites where more detailed explanations and variations can be found (see Resources section on Website).

Rust occurs when oxygen oxidizes metal, i.e., creating iron oxide. Electrolysis is a chemical reaction that stops/reverses that process, thus it is better than sandpaper or acid which removes metal. This process does not work on non-ferrous metals. Also, do not use this on stainless steel since that gives off different gases.

Use a sodium carbonate powder (like Arm & Hammer SuperWashing Soda or a swimming pool Ph), about one teaspoon per gallon of water. In a well ventilated area, mix powder with plain water in a plastic tub.

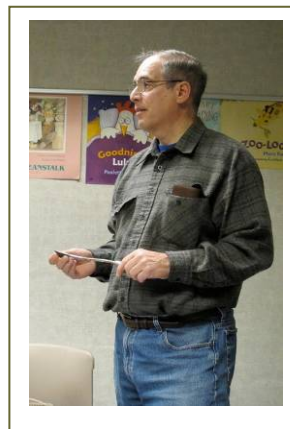
Place an Iron Rebar grid in the plastic tub, this will create the electrical field. The bars of the inner cage should be welded together or connected with wire.

Use a low DC voltage and current. Don't go over 2 amps. Put the Negative Charge on the object you want to remove rust from and the Positive Charge on the outer Iron Grid. Place your object in the water, but don't touch the iron with it or it will short.

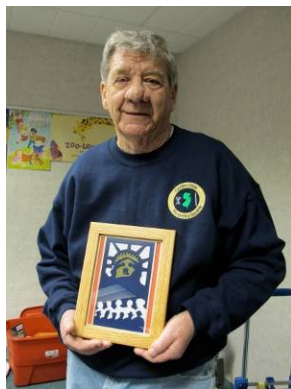
When the solution starts bubbling you know

it's working. You'll want to do the process slow so you don't ruin the iron (e.g., watch for hydrogen embrittlement; and note that eventually rebar will break down). Small objects can take 2 hours. Pitting won't be removed. The current works on "line of sight" so you can't get inside of intricate objects.

Always use goggles/safety glasses and rubber gloves. Unplug everything before touching.



## “Show & Tell” Projects from Our February 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting



*Bob Lewis - Statue of Liberty with Soldier Silhouettes throughout the wars - Scroll Saw*



*Charlie Brainard - Antique Shop with Flag - Lath Art*



*Walt Englad - 3D Heart with Flowers; Marquetry Tray*



*Henry Buccino - Scroll Saw Cross and Ornament*



*Pat Miles - Cat in Sink Intarsia*



*Julius Fekete - Dog Scroll Saw Segmentation*



*Flip Mudrick - Flowerpot Bench*



*Pete Laudati - Toy Spinning Tops*

*Pictures from "The Wood Working Show" - Feb 19-21, 2010*



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<http://www.americanmarquetrysociety.com>

Join us at our upcoming meetings: - Mar 6<sup>th</sup>; April 3<sup>rd</sup>; May 1<sup>st</sup>; June 5<sup>th</sup>.  
 Location: The Monmouth County Library on: 125 Symmes Rd, in Manalapan, NJ  
 You can find Directions online at: [http://gsmsplus.com/meeting\\_info.php](http://gsmsplus.com/meeting_info.php)