

THE TOOL TABLE

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**Next meeting
Friday Nov. 6**

Agenda

All times are approximate

- 5:30–7:00 p.m. Tool talk**
- 7:00–7:15 p.m. General meeting**
- 7:15–7:45 p.m. Tool auction**
- 7:45–8:15 p.m. Theme presentations**
- 8:15–9:00 p.m. Donation auction**
- 9:00–10:00 p.m. Tool talk**

Please pay your 2010 dues to Mike Larkin. Mail a check payable to RATS at the address shown on the reverse or pay at an upcoming meeting. Still just \$10.00!

There will be a detailed December/January newsletter regarding the Gathering and Tool Show

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The President's Plane Talk

Comcast has the "Triple Play". Well, we have our own RATS version of the triple play. I call it "Triple TOOL Time":

- November 6th – Friday night meeting with Donation Auction
- December 9th – Wednesday night "The Gathering at the Glen Allen Legion Hall
- January 2nd and 3rd – Tool Show at the Showplace

It's that time of year when we get to see each other once a month to do our tools, share stories, laugh, sell some tools, help the club with a donation, buy some tools, have a meal and hopefully score a deal. It's "Triple TOOL Time" and we look forward to seeing you all of these events.

Our next meeting is Friday night, November 6th at Pocahontas Middle and we have our featured "Donation Action". The theme for our meeting will be "Mechanical Drawing Instruments". We have never featured this topic and I hope some of you can bring in samples to display and share a story or two. This topic can include compasses, dividers, drawing sets, rulers, triangles, pencils, pens, t-squares, lettering sets, and templates. Some of us actually used these tools of the past and used them very well. I still use pencil and paper drawing when teaching modern CADD – Computer Aided Drafting Design.

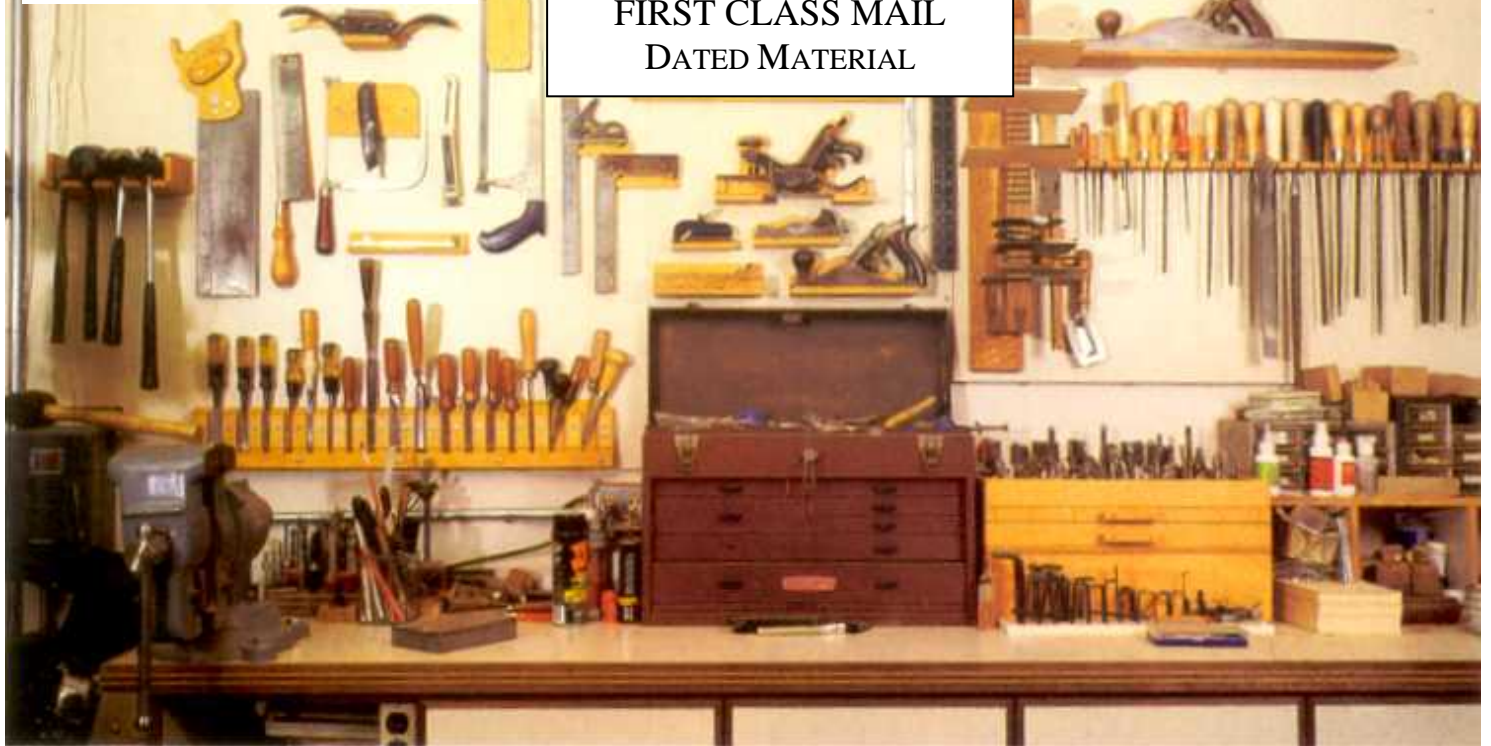
A word about the "Donation Auction": for each November meeting, members rummage through their shops and clean out their clutter of tools, repair projects, materials and odds-n-ends to bring as a club donation. In other words, clean out the junk that your wife is complaining about! Anything goes. This night, all auction proceeds benefit the club's facility rental costs for the year. In years past, some crazy stuff has shown up and we have a fun night with Auctioneer Anthony. We also will have a tool auction for 100% your money. Limit ten tools per member. So, it's also a Triple Play Night... drawing tool theme, tool auction and donation auction that night. Bring cash and come have a great time. See you November 6th.

Plane and Simple,

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Pocahontas Middle School**

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 6, 2009: Meeting and donation auction
December 9, 2009: Gathering at American Legion Hall, Indale Rd., Glen Allen
January 2-3, 2010: Tool Show at the Showplace, Mechanicsville, VA

RATS Website:
<http://www.richmondantiquetools.com/>