



NEWSLETTER IN A KNUTSHELL



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Our *international* membership is happily involved with "Anything that goes 'cut'!"

March 2010

Choosing Steel Ted Harris

Before you start forging a knife blade, you must choose an appropriate piece of steel. Remember that you choose a blade shape to suit the use for the knife so choose a good steel that will be suitable for the general purpose the knife is to be used for. There are quite a few steels that will make good hunting and utility knives.

The steels in my shop that fit this description include: 5160, 1084, 1095, W-2, L-6, 15N20, 52100 and O-1. Of these my usual choice is 5160. It is the steel that is commonly used for automotive springs, so it is extremely resilient and tough when properly heat treated.

1095 is also a spring steel and is a very popular blade steel. W-2 is the steel of choice of some makers. Files are made out of steels like W-1 and W-2.

L-6 and 15N20 are very tough steels used mainly in making band saws. L-6 is also used in making jewelry dies. Both make excellent knives. 52100 is a special steel used in making bearings and races for heavy trucks and mining equipment. It is also very tough and makes very good knives.

O-1 is a tool steel used by machinists for making tools and dies. It is a favorite of many knifemakers.

As you look over this sampling of steels, perhaps you will become a little confused when trying to select one to use for your first knife. Please don't worry about that. All of them make good knives.

Where to buy steel is an issue that needs to be considered. There are several online suppliers who sell steel and handle material for making knives. There are several of these suppliers listed in *Blade* magazine. An internet search for knife making supplies will provide a good list of sources.

If you live in a large metropolitan area, there will probably be an industrial supply house of some kind that will have tool steel in stock. I bought O-1 from Industrial Supply Company in Salt Lake City, Utah, when I was starting to really get into making knives in 1971. That was before I learned to forge and heat treat, so I had my blades heat treated at a place in Salt Lake called Industrial Heat Treat Company. Both are still in business.

An excellent source of several kinds of steel is Pacific Machinery and Tool Steel Company at 3445 Northwest Luzon Street, Portland OR 97210-1694. Their web site is <http://www.pmtsc.com>. You may visit their warehouse or shop online.

In 1970 I was given some gang saw blades from the saw mill in Cutter, Arizona. I had a friend cut blades out of them with a cutting torch, then

I ground them on an old homemade grinder and made knives out of them. I have since learned that they were made of L-6 or a similar steel. I did not do anything to affect the temper of the steel. They made great knives just as they were.

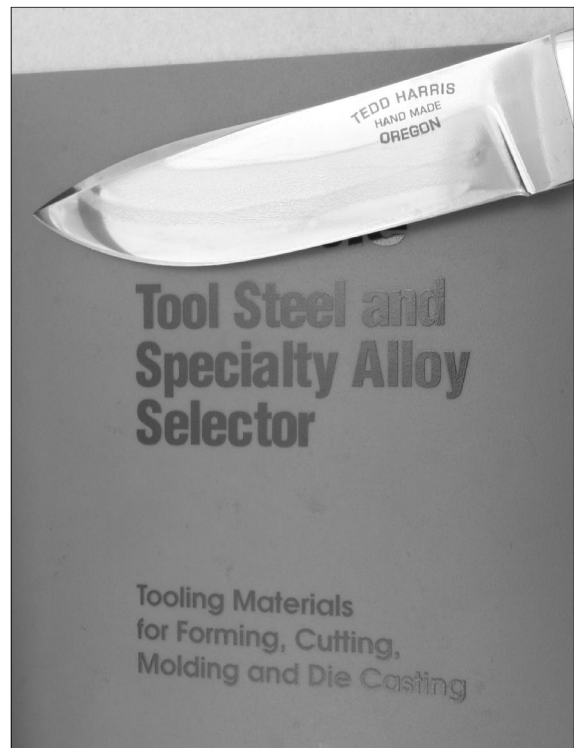
In 1974 I made a coal forge and started forging my blades out of old files and bearing races. I also had to learn how to harden and temper the blades. It is not too difficult but takes a lot of practice to be able to do a good job every time.

Over the years I have recycled a lot of steel. The critical thing is to know how much carbon is in the steel so you can heat treat it properly. There are several lists of items made of steel that also tell what kind of steel they are made of. A search of the internet will turn up some of those descriptions.

So it is up to you to decide what you want to make your knife out of.

You can buy new steel or recycle something that has enough carbon so that it will make a good knife.

You can forge it or grind it to shape. Either way, you will have a lot of fun; and the result of your efforts will give you a lot of satisfaction for years to come.



Donations for our Show

We get some awesome donations for our Shows. There are some that just send us items, and others give them to us at the Show. These donation knives and items benefit our organization from the raffle and the silent auction and entice visitors to come to our Show. The knives on this page are but a few we have recently received. For a complete list of those that help our cause, please go to our website and visit the links to the sites of these people and companies.



Ed Schempp - Ephrata, WA - Spyderco Knives



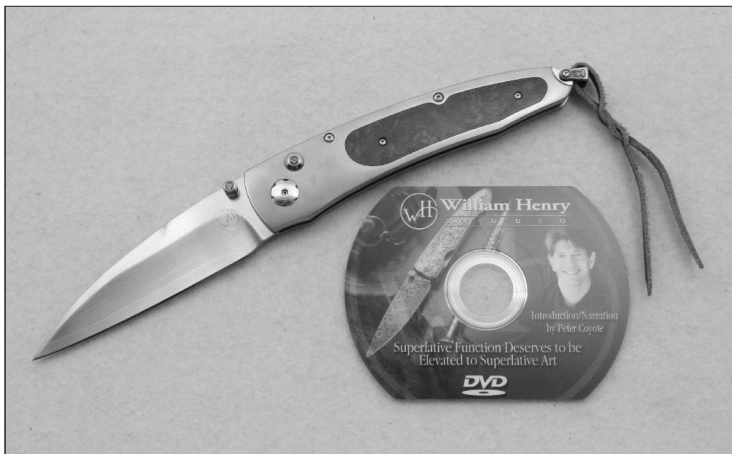
Matthew Caldwell - Lake Stevens, WA



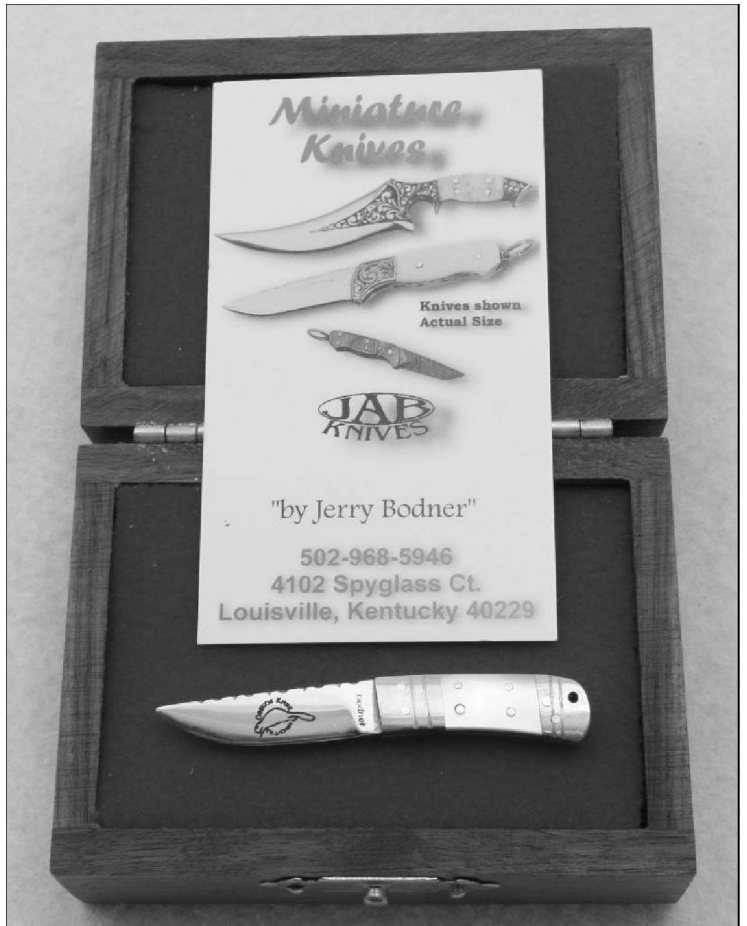
Eric Bergland - Blue River, OR



Dan Westlind - Cathlamet, WA



William Henry Studio - McMinnville, OR



Jerry Bodner - Louisville, KY

OKCA Knews and Musings

ibdennis

The Show....

I have an article in this issue which is a snapshot of the Show. Please read this carefully as I think it spells out what is happening and what you might want to do. Those that are table-holders, remember to pick up your Show packet when you arrive. The check-in table is in the LOBBY. This packet contains Show badges and answers all questions you might have about the Show. The packet also contains a special item given by Spyderco knives which will serve as a memory of this Show. For those with a sweet tooth, look deep into the packet; and when that is gone, come to the Club table for more.

T-Shirt drawing....

Our 2010 T-Shirt offering is turning into a fun event. We received a folding knife that we are going to use in a very special prize drawing. On Saturday, April 17, we will hand out a drawing ticket to anyone that is wearing the Oregon Knife Collectors 2010 T-Shirt. Wear your shirt and come to the Club table to get a ticket. Only those wearing the shirt will be allowed to enter into this drawing. Around 4 PM Saturday we will have the drawing which will be for a very special knife that will be a secret for now. This knife carries a MSRP of over \$200. Order your T-shirts from the application in this *Knewsletter* or go to our website to order one or more on line. The link to the on-line site will get you your shirt before the Show, and you can pay by credit card. This should be a fun time so join in this happening. OBTW - You have to be wearing the T-Shirt when you claim the prize should you be the winner. If not, then the next name will be drawn.

Opening ceremony....

Yes we will be having an opening ceremony this year. **John Priest** took on the task to put together an early Saturday morning opening ceremony; and he is keeping mum about what it is. So better not sleep in. The Show doors open at 8 AM so be there to see what is planned this year.

Club Knives

Our choice of the Lone Wolf Defender for our Club knife has turned out to be a great choice. At this writing there are only about eight knives left. The write ups for this knife speak well of its design and functionality. We are proud to be partnered with Lone Wolf knives for this Club project. If you are waffling about this knife, you had better act fast or be left out. This is a one-of-a-kind knife specially created

for our organization. An application form and description is in this issue as well as on our website.

The Custom Knife Competition....

We tried to offer a special category in the competition which was the category entitled hand made hand made knife. The idea was suggested by several knifemakers as to making a knife without power tools. Last show the enthusiasm was high, but the entries were low. We asked for a show of hands of who was interested in this so we could still have the category. In the days after you read this, we will make our decision whether to offer this category. The decision will be based on the number who have advised us they will be participating. Not looking good thus far.

The Thursday Nite social....

Make sure you make a note to attend the Thursday Nite Social at the Valley River Inn. It is a free event to attend, but a contribution to offset the cost of this happening would be appreciated. If you forget to mail it in, we will be providing a fish bowl to feed the kitty. (I think I just made a funny.)

Club Knives more....

We have been doing Club knives since 1979. We have always sold out and in every case the resale value of these knives have always been far greater than the invested price. Help our organization by supporting these highly desirable knives. The 31 years of Club knives can be found on our web site and should you know of a value that a knife was sold or traded for please advise us so we can post the collectable values.

March 17 Dinner meeting

This will be our last meeting before the bigga Show. I for one look forward to our monthly dinner meetings at the Sizzler restaurant. The meeting this month will be the third Wednesday as usual and that date is March 17. Make sure you mark the date and prepare to have good food, meet good friends and share an evening of warmth, education and fun. Bring something sharp for Show-N-Tell. I am told by the Sizzler staff that they really enjoy our group as our culture is that of a friendly sociable group. They do comment though on the loss of the knives they supply for our dinners.

Display Cases....

For the last few years we have offered wood display case rental for our out of area guests. We are again offering this, however by Show Time they usually have all been spoken for. In other words if you are interested in getting a case for the Show, you had better let us know way early.

Articles Pleezee

The *Knewsletter* is the heartbeat of the Oregon Knife Collectors. Please help us and send your articles for publication in our *Knewsletter*. We only ask it be original to yourself, and we will help all we can with the writing end of things. Thank you to **Martin Drivdahl, Tedd Harris and Dale Vincent** for their help in this *Knewsletter*.

Best be getting your lodging reservations in....

Part of our Knife Show duties is to work with the local motels to accommodate our visitors. We believe in this, and we want staying in Eugene to be like having a home away from home. We have been quite discerning with these partners so you can stay at the places below and know that we have partnered to make your stay as enjoyable as possible. Our first choice and our longest running partner is the Valley River Inn. Beautiful in setting and the unofficial official Oregon Knife Club recommendation. Treat yourself to this place or others suggested below. Mention the Knife Show as we have negotiated great rates with these people.

Places to stay in Eugene

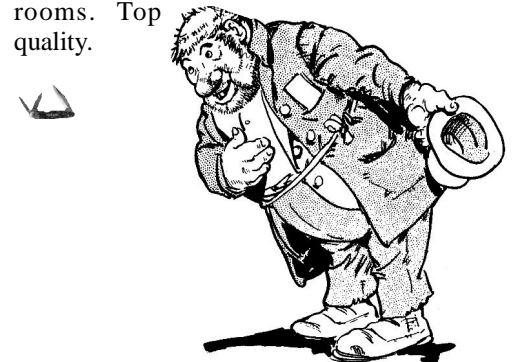
Get your lodging reservations in soon or you might have to bring your tent.

The Valley River Inn -(800)543-8266 - (541)687-0123 -Our top recommendation. Fills up fast. A quality place to stay. Official home for folks away from home visiting the Oregon Knife Show. Special Show rates if you mention the OKCA Show.

Courtesy Inn -(888)259-8481 -(541)345-3391 -The closest motel yet to the Knife Show. A budget motel and special rates to boot if you mention the Knife Show.

Hampton Inn -(541)431-1225 -My personal favorite when on the road in other cities. Mention the Oregon Knife Show for a very special rate. You must call this location for that rate.

The Campbell House -A City Inn -(800)264-2519 -(541)343-1119 -Classic Hospitality. A very unique experience. Limited number of rooms. Top quality.



Show Knews.... ibdennis

We want to call your attention to several things about our Show, which is just around the corner. Over the last few years we have been having a **Thursday nite social at the Valley River Inn**. This is an open to all event and starts at 5 PM on Thursday, April 15. This is intended to be a pre Show gathering or social where one can casually meet friends and well, socialize. The pressure of the Show sometimes does not lend itself to social interchange so this is the answer. This event tends to be expensive, and Elayne and I are at polar- points-of-view as to this happening. She wants it, and I am concerned about the finances. Check our web site or the Valley River Inn site for directions. That is if you are not staying there already.

We do get some contributions that help offset the cost of this social but not quite enough. We will be putting a fish bowl out to feed the kitty; and if you like the event, please dig deep to help us out. Elayne really likes the gathering, but me Scrooge likes being soluble better. We have negotiated heavily with the VRI so if you want it to continue, please help.

Friday is a members-only day and no one gets in before 10 AM. The atmosphere is casual and tables can be set up or not. Saturday and Sunday are more structured, tables must stay open and un-covered the whole Show. Table-holders please read the Show info that is in your Show packet.

T-shirts are the first ever fun event that you should bear in mind. On Saturday if you are wearing the OKCA 2010 T-Shirt, you will be eligible to enter the drawing for one very special knife that the Club has acquired. The shirts are very nice and will call attention to the unity of our organization. It should be very impressive if hundreds of members are wearing these shirts. There is an order form in this issue or our web site has a link to a site where you can purchase the shirts on line and get pre Show delivery. This is a fund raising event so help out and let's see how this event plays out. Yes you should be able to purchase shirts at the Show but supplies will be limited.

Our **Lone Wolf Defender Club knife** is a certain winner this year. There are a slight few left at this printing so if you "oh my gosh I forgot," there still might be a chance to get one now. This is a great knife at a great price. An application form is in this issue. Again, this is a Club project for funding and an investment for the people who order these knives.

We will again have the **Saturday Nite social** right after the Show at 5 PM Saturday. It is a social gathering, but the main event is the presentation of awards to the winners of the custom knife competition and the displays that are so much a calling card to our Show. We charge a very small amount for this event so here again please help us to offset costs.

I am quite pleased by the generosity of the cutlery community when we ask for donations of items for our door prizes and raffles. **Bernard Levine** on the West Coast and **Brian Huegel** on the East Coast blanket the country asking for help from their contacts in the knife world. The door prizes are key to the draw of

attendance, and the raffle is key to our financial success at putting on this Show. We do have our noses above the financial water line, and we want to keep it that way. Help on Saturday by purchasing raffle tickets and getting involved in our very special silent auction.



Please also understand the purpose of our organization. We provide a vehicle to support anything that goes cut and offer the opportunity for education, enjoyment and comradery. The purpose of this gathering is not to provide a financial vehicle for sales, that is up to the creativity of the sellers. We just make this Show happen, and you need to control how it happens. Don't complain to us about poor sales. We set the stage. You are the actors.

The custom knife competition starts Friday afternoon. The judging is done after all the knives are submitted. Only table-holders are eligible for this event. The new maker category only requires membership and not a table. **The grinding competition is a Saturday only event.** Please sign up for it. You must be a table-holder. This is a helpful aspect of the Show as the blades ground are then taken home by the grinders and finished for the next year's awards for displays. Sign up on Friday and grind on Saturday. Help us out here. **Larry Criteser** is the person heading this event.

Pre Show on Friday will be a gathering of those interested in metallurgy. For several years we have had seminars and discussions on the steel side of knives. This discussion group is open to all. Details will be in the April *Knewsletter*.

We also have a **forging demonstration** during the Show. **Jeff Crowner** and **Dave Rider** are the leaders of this project. Exact times to be posted, but it should be around mid day on both Saturday and Sunday. Last year's knife forging was well attended and very informative.

Demonstrations are being put together for Saturday of the Show, and they will commence in the morning and go for most of the day. We will have a martial arts demo, scrimshaw art, flint knapping, knife sharpening and butterfly knife demonstrations. Much to see and much to learn.

On Sunday we will have a non denominational **worship service** lead by **Howard Hoskins**. We started this a few years back, and it has been well received and appreciated. As one person stated... Now this Show is complete.

Night watch. We have a security system in place for Friday night and Saturday night. Once the Show shuts down on Friday or Saturday, there will be absolutely no entry whatsoever. There is much to see and do at our Show, but time is our worst enemy. Not enough. Come enjoy and make the most of the little time we have.

Another Schrade/Ulster Enigma Dale Vincent

Every so often I run across a Schrade knife that presents me with an enigma or a puzzle I cannot readily explain. Recently I was taking apart an Ulster TL-29 for an overhaul and to cut it down to a single blade knife when I found another enigma.



As we all know Ulster made some knives for Schrade. They made the Ulster Old Timers: model numbers 58OT, 100T and the 114OT (camper) for the Prince Albert promotion, circa 1964 -1966. But I did not know that Schrade made knives for Ulster!

To understand this mystery we have to know first about the Swinden Key system. Regular knives are made with pin-through-bolster construction. That is to say there is a pin that goes completely through the bolsters to provide a pivot for the blades and to hold the sides of the knife together.

Schrade had in their employ a man who was a genius when it came to making machines that made knives; his name was Dave Swinden. Dave Swinden (now with Canal Street Cutlery) came up with the system that bears his name: the Swinden Key System.

In the Swinden system a rivet holds the blades inner liner and, on some patterns such as a stockman, holds one of the back springs together in one unit. The head of the rivet fits into a key cut into the outer liner and bolster of the knife. When the inner assembly is properly adjusted, it fits neatly into the key way of the bolsters; and a turn of a few degrees locks the whole assembly into place. All that is necessary is to compress the backspring(s) and slide the rocker pin into place and spin a head on the back of the rocker pin. Viola! You now have a completely assembled Swinden type knife.

To the best of my knowledge Schrade was the only knife company who ever employed the Swinden System. As someone who specialized in repair, restoration and customizing of Schrade knives, I am used to working with the Swinden System knives. What I am not used to seeing is an Ulster knife with the Swinden components in it!

But here you have it, an Ulster TL-29 that has definitely been made with the Swinden Key System!

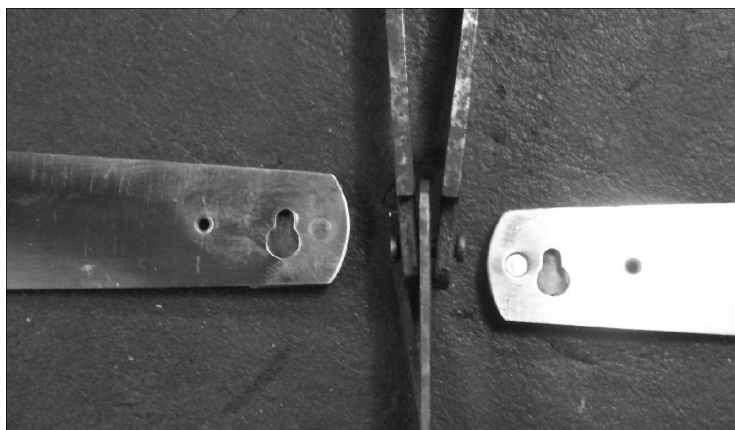
I guess this is what I like about collecting Schrade knives and knives from related companies such as Ulster and Camillus. I never know what I will find when I take a knife apart!



This is a close up view of the Swinden Key construction. Notice the large head on the rivet that is holding the blade/liner assembly together.



This view shows the rivet heads a bit better. They fit into the keyway in the outer liner/bolster assembly.



I hope you find this as interesting and amusing as I do. When it comes to Schrade and its related companies, you never know what surprise or mystery awaits you. It may be in the very next knife you pickup!

A "Case" Of Discovery Martin Drivdahl

This is the story of a Case knife, one that I have come to prize very highly, partly because of its beauty and probable rarity and partly because of how it came into my possession.



It all began in mid-January 2007. I went to an antique show at the Civic Center in Helena, Montana, on the look for, what else, any neat old antique knives that

might be floating around. There I happened upon a booth with several old pocket knives in decent condition, nothing special but priced very reasonably; so I purchased a couple of them. The dealer at the sale's booth specialized in old books and old photography including some high-end early originals and reproductions by L. A. Huffman, an early photographer who witnessed the disappearance of the buffalo, last of the Indian Wars and the earliest introduction of commercial cattle herds onto Montana's northern ranges around the late 1870s to early 1880s.

The dealer at the booth told me he'd acquired a knife collection that belonged to Bill Felton, a grandson of L. A. Huffman, with whom he'd been doing business as L. A. Huffman photography. Felton was over 90 years old at the time and resided at my old hometown of Big Timer, Montana. I was told the knife collection had been purchased as a kind of a favor to Mr. Felton whose children apparently weren't interested in his knives. As I visited with this dealer, I was told there had been about 700 knives of which 650 or so remained. If I would buy them all, he



would sell them at a very minimal price each, as it was his interest to concentrate his sale's efforts in the areas of his specialty, old books and photo products. I knew this dealer's reputation was good, and he assured me he hadn't sorted through the knives to high-grade the collection.

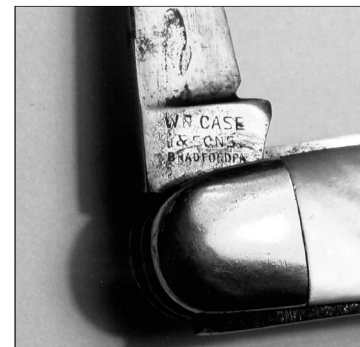
Of course I was excited and had to see what the man had, so I made an appointment to meet the very next day at his home. When I arrived the knives were in five cardboard boxes weighing 25 to 30 pounds each. Each box contained knives in plastic bags crudely sorted using a black felt tip, "A" for tang stamps starting with the letter A, "B" on bags with stamps starting with B and so on.

The dealer was quite pressed for time as he was preparing to leave the very next day for an art show in Arizona, so I had to make a quick assessment of what was in the boxes. I did a brief examination of what I could see near the top of each box. I saw a few nearly new knives, lots of junk knives, but also a few old ones that sparked my curiosity; so I paid the asking price and loaded up the boxes.

Once at home I anxiously began searching through the boxes and plastic bags. Right away I realized this collector had been going for

quantity while quality apparently was of little concern. There were broken blades, broken handles, broken springs, rust buckets, tin bladed knives, Chinese-made knives and one plastic bag labeled "Jap junk." I think Bill Felton's goal had been to collect as many brand stamps as possible for the least amount of money, though I doubt he ever made a list of the knives or knew what or how many he had.

In any event my hand soon grabbed for one of the "C" marked bags, you know, Case, Cattaraugus and Camillus to mention a few. It turned out to be "C" for Case and contained perhaps a dozen knives. With much interest and excitement I sorted through this bag. It was mostly disappointment; but on closer scrutiny there turned out to be a few decent Case knives, including an XX, two TESTED XX and a narrow pearl handled stockman that caught my attention. After oiling the joints and giving the blades a light cleaning, I examined it more closely. I could see it was a very slim four-blade serpentine stockman, 3-7/8" in length, only .43" thick across the bolsters and .41" thick at the pivot pin. Blade tangs and both back springs measured .075" in thickness which helped to account for its slenderness. All four blades are stamped, the short clip blade, spey blade and sheepfoot:



W. R. CASE
& SONS
BRADFORD PA.

The punch blade is of very thin steel ground to a curved shape on both sides and is tang stamped: 8447P.

My reference material indicates this "W. R. CASE & SONS" stamping was used from 1905-1915. The number stamped on the punch blade is consistent with Case's traditional numbering system, the number 8 for genuine mother-of-pearl handles, 4 for four blades and 47P of the 47 pattern premium stock knife equipped with a punch blade. The knife is constructed with brass liners and nickel silver bolsters and pins. All blades including the punch blade have a very shallow, narrow, short nail nick. All blade stampings are consistently fine and quite shallow.

The photos included with this article show close ups of the blade stamps and a comparison of this knife to a CASE XX USA 6347 PU. The shape and length of the side scales are identical; but the W.R. CASE & SONS 8447P is much thinner, bolsters are shorter and its punch blade is made quite differently and more delicately. The clip blade of the older knife is of course shorter and thinner than on the 6347 PU; and when closed, it nests down neatly between the spey and sheepfoot blades at very close clearances. Its tip is not visible in either of the photos with the blades closed because the clip blade tip is hidden and in the shadows of the other blades. Notice that the nail nick of the 8447P clip blade is quite close to its tang to allow access near the tip of the spey blade.

The reference book *Collector Knives (15th Edition)* by C. Houston Price & Mark D. Zalesky includes a listing of older Case knives made prior to 1920; but there is no listing for an 8447P by W. R. Case & Sons or any other of the early Case companies. This list does include 8347 SHSP, 38047, 5447 SPP and 64047P; but no listing is given that would be consistent or correct for this four blade, pearl handled, 47P, W. R. Case & Sons premium stock knife. Is this a rare Case knife, maybe, just maybe? Is it one of my favorite antique knives, ABSOLUTELY!



Shipping Your Knives to the Oregon Show

If you are driving to the Oregon Knife Show in April, you need only throw your knives into the car and then go. But if you are coming via air... then that is another matter. The security systems at our airports do not lend themselves to ease of travel with knives or, for that matter, anything. The horror stories abound about the hassles and indignation. The knives get there, but the agony lingers on. And in some cases the memories are so strong that some will not travel with knives ever again. We hope we have some solutions to your worries.



First it was necessary to determine which carriers could handle items such as those with which we are involved. There are several that provide tracking and will carry up to 150 pounds per package. They also require a signature at the point of receipt, and you can get a delivery confirmation if so requested. The carriers that I checked on were United Parcel Service (UPS), Federal Express (FedEx) and the US Post Office. All of these have Internet web sites so detailed information can be had through these pages. More details as to your particular needs must be requested of the carrier of choice. Some of those might be round trip planning and also pick up and delivery details.

In year's past I have been the recipient of knives and packages shipped to the Show. I do not have a secure storage facility, so a new destination was needed. I frequent a firearm's store and shooting range here in Eugene called the **Baron's Den**. They have installed a bank vault on their premises for firearm's storage. The security here is the best you can find. The Oregon Knife Collectors has arranged with the Baron's Den to receive your packages. On arrival they will be stored in the vault until you claim them. The Baron's Den is also open on Sunday so you can deliver your return packages to them with return shipping and delivery instructions. **The Baron's Den will serve as a safe house only; you must arrange packing and shipping the packages for return. This means you make the calls and other arrangements to have it returned. (The return via our West 11th site on Monday may prove more convenient.)** We have arranged with the Baron's Den so there will not be a charge for their services. You must mark your packages for OKCA and be sure your name is on the outside of the package. You must provide identification when you pick up your knives. Pretty neat I think. The Baron's Den has a web site. Check out the hours when they are open.



You can ship via any of the following directly to the Baron's Den
 United Parcel Service (UPS) - <http://www.ups.com>
 Federal Express (FedEx) - <http://www.fedex.com>

(Not USPS)
 Baron's Den 86321 College View Rd Eugene Oregon 97405-9631 Phone:
 (541)744-6229

If you must ship via USPS (U S Postal Service--<http://www.usps.com>) , the packages need to be shipped to the following address:

Oregon Knife Collectors Assn.
 3003 West 11th PMB 172
 Eugene OR 97402

Be sure they are marked to be delivered to the Baron's Den, and I will then hand deliver to the Baron's Den. Catalogs and no value items will be stored elsewhere.

The Baron's Den - <http://www.thebaronsden.com>
 Oregon Knife Collectors - <http://www.oregonknifeclub.org>

Oregon Knife Collectors' 2010 Club Knife



The Lone Wolf Paul Defender is this year's Oregon Knife Collectors' Club 2010 knife. A prototype version is shown above as well as the 2006 Paul Presto knife which was 6" overall. The Presto knife was a sell out in 2006. The Defender for 2010 will have ivory micarta handles and will have reproduction scrimshaw artwork with a Beaver scene. The knives will be serial numbered, and our logo etched into the blade. This is a handsome pocketknife that measures 9" overall. Only 50 of these knives will be offered. The knives will be boxed and can be purchased by advance sales. They will be available at our 2010 Show. Serial numbers will be randomly drawn, but you can request the same serial number you had for the 2006 knife.

Name _____

Address _____

City State Zip _____

Phone Number _____

Paul Defender @ \$150 _____

Serial number request if you had purchased a 2006 knife.

Shipping, if needed, add
 \$20 _____

Total _____

Payment in full at time of order.

www.oregonknifeclub.org

Oregon Knife Collectors' T-Shirts

Over the years our Oregon Knife Collector T-Shirts have proven very popular. This year we are partnering with Jerry & Kay Whitmore to offer T-Shirts to members and visitors who want a shirt at a great price. These shirts will be made available at the Show in April but must be ordered in advance to get the very special price. A bargain at \$8.00 each for a quality T-Shirt and will help us in this fund driving effort. The colour will be sage green and the OKCA logo will be on the front left in brown, dark green, white and black. Tastefully elegant. \$8.00 on pre-order but much more if you wait until Show time. See this in colour on our website under the "Ads" link.



Name _____

Phone _____

_____ T-Shirts (Total)

S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____

Total @ \$8.00 each _____ No shipping.

Send payment to
 OKCA - PO Box 2091 - Eugene, OR 97402
 Check out our web site to link to more about T-Shirts

The Seek-re-tary Report

by elayne

The February 17 meeting was held at The Sizzler Restaurant. There were 30 present.

Membership figures are down, as expected, for this time of year. We always have a group who renew at the December show (this year the weather was not as cooperative as should be), another in January and then end of March. We have received a number of renewals thanks to the postcards which were mailed reminding members their membership had expired. We have not previously done this but because the date codes were not included on the December and January *Knewsletters* we thought it was necessary.

The Thursday social at the Valley River Inn has been a great success in past years. We encourage you to attend. It is the one of the few times we have an opportunity to socialize without distraction. We do need donations to offset the cost. Also it would be helpful to have a nose count. If you will attend, please advise me--phone (541)484-5564, email elayne@oregonknifeclub.org or snail mail PO Box 2091 Eugene OR 97402. I encourage you to donate and support this event.

The Club knife sales have been very good. If you want a knife, you need to get us your request and payment. See order form elsewhere in this *Knewsletter*.

For several years we were able to provide a free T-shirt for all table-holders. We have had many positive comments on the shirts; but in an effort to reduce our costs, a compromise was reached. There will be a charge, but a reduced charge. Only \$8.00 for a first rate shirt. Great color and great logo. Wear it with pride. The order form is included in this *Knewsletter*. You are also able to order from our website which has a link to **K & G Products, Jerry and Kay Whitmore**. You can pay by credit card and order some of the larger sizes. Special note: there will be a special drawing for a special knife, available to only those who are wearing the special T on Saturday-Show day. Order those T's.

All the membership cards and table confirmations have been mailed. If you have not received your card or your table confirmation, please contact me (541)484-5564 or email elayne@oregonknifeclub.org. Please be sure you have advised the name you want on your table-holder badge. Each table-holder

receives two badges (only TWO). Each additional badge is a loss of revenue (\$20.00) to the organization since you cannot be in the Show room on Friday if you are not a member or table-holder. The badges have been printed with the names requested on your table contract and have been inserted into the table-holder packets which were assembled by **Phyllis Goddard**. Please help for a smooth check-in. If the names have changed, advise me; and I will print a different table-holder badge. Please.

You must have a table-holder badge, which you will pick up at the Show at the check-in table in the lobby at 10:00AM Friday, or have a 2010 membership card to visit the Show on Friday. Please locate your membership card, if not a table-holder, or contact me for a replacement. No membership cards will be issued until after 2:00pm Friday so you will have a delayed entry if you are not prepared.

We have arranged for secure handling of your shipped merchandise (UPS, FedEx,) with the **Baron's Den** of Eugene, Oregon. Be sure your boxes are marked OKCA Show with your name. The shipments will be housed in their vault until you retrieve them. There is an article in the last *Knewsletter* and on the web site with address information. If you ship via USPS (Postal Service), you may ship to OKCA 3003 W 11 Ave PMB 172 Eugene OR 97402. Again the boxes must be marked OKCA Show with request for delivery to the Baron's Den. Dennis or I will take them to the Baron's Den.

We have 20 display cases available for rental at our Show. The cases are provided by **Bryan Christensen** and need to be ordered since they go very fast. It is one less item you will have to ship or carry to our event.

Bernard Levine and Brian Huegel have mailed requests for donations for our silent auction, door prizes and raffle. These events offset the costs of our Show. I have been very busy with thank you acknowledgments to the many who have provided donations. The list of contributors has been entered on our website. Give it a glance and thank these supporters. Donations are very much appreciated. Donations can be forwarded to OKCA 3003 W 11 PMB 172 EUGENE OR 97402.

The display award knives which have been received have been delivered to **Excalibur Cutlery at Valley River Mall** to be displayed prior to the Show. A great advertisement for those who have sent us their completed knives.

See you at the March 17 meeting.



Metallurgy Discussion Group

Over the last few years we have had a meeting of the minds so to speak on the subject of metallurgy prior to the opening of the Show on Friday. It started out with representatives from the steel companies giving presentations and has evolved into a discussion group on the subject of metallurgy. **Phil Wilson** has agreed to head up this meeting. The following is Phil's syllabus of topics for discussion.

Working with and using some of the new steel offerings.
CPMS 110V - CPM M4 - Friction Forged D2 - N680, Elmax`

Other topics are: Heat treating, Grind and finish, Testing for performance, and Where to get these steels.

These are some topics to get the discussion started. In the past seminars there has been good interaction from those wanting to learn and others with good experience to offer. This meeting is open to all interested persons and will be held in a meeting room at the south end of the building next to the Show area. Entry is at the South West corner and starts at 9 am.





OKCA Free Classified Ads

Free classified ads will run up to three issues and then be dropped. Available only to paid members. Write your ad on anything you have handy (except deligatate paper) and email or snail mail to the **OKCA, PO Box 2091, Eugene OR 97402**. The number and size of ads submitted by a single member will be accepted, or excepted, dependent on available space and the mood of the editors.

For Sale. Small Champ Fond Sander 9.5" sanding belt. FOB Eugene, OR. Details at 541-607-3655 Jessica Leamen

For Sale - MSA & Marbles No 1 Hawk Safety Axe. Excellent condition. 1903-1911 production (guard marked MARBLE SAFETY AXE CO. over GLADSTONE, MICH. U.S.A. PAT. 1898). Perfect gutta percha grips with hound and rabbit on one scale and "MARBLES SAFETY POCKET AXE" and "MFG'D. BY W. L. MARBLE" on opposite scale. Very lightly sharpened. No sheath. Firm price--\$750.00. Call Martin (406)442-2783 for more information and photos. Serious inquires please.

Wanted - Knives, and also ephemera and information about Bruckmann knives. Bob Patrick 816 Peace Portal Dr., Blaine, WA 98230 604 538-6214 bob@knivesonnet.com

Crescent Knife Works -will have a selection of the new Slim and SlimJim Pro throwing knives at the April show. Please come by Bob Patrick's table (U01) and have a look. 604 538-6214 bob@knivesonnet.com

Wanted - Any information leading to the capture and procurement of the following: 1) A copy of Harvey Platts Book *The Knife Makers Who Went West* published in 1978. 2) Someone at the 2009 "Knife Show had an old Western States knife display case for sale. If the seller or anyone else has knowledge that this item is still at large, please contact me. I'm offering a \$10 reward to anyone with information that will lead to my capture of either of the above. Martin Drivdahl 6401 Lone Pine Rd Helena MT 59602 (406)442-2783

Wanted - Ammo bullet knives like pictured in the December Knewsletter. ibdennis@oregonknifeclub.org

Wanted - Knives made by Stan Shaw. Ephemera also wanted in the form of pictures, articles, parts, business cards etc. Bob Patrick 816 Peace Portal Dr., Blaine, WA 98230. 604 538-6214 bob@knivesonnet.com

Spyderco C20BGMPS, Sprint run of 600, Burgundy/brown Micarta handles, key chain sized knife with a blade length of 2 1/8". This is #14 on the model list of the Wayne Goddard Spyderco designs. \$65 post paid when mentioning OKCA. Check or money order to Goddard's, 473 Durham Ave, Eugene OR 97404 (541)689-8098 e-mail wgoddard44@comcast.net

For Sale - Marbles 6" Ideal Knife. Good + to excellent. 1912-1919 production. Stacked leather handle with large nut oval rounded stag pommel. Half hilt. 12 spacers each end in black, red and brass. Large inclined "MARBLE'S" 3 line stamp with left facing serif on "A". Blade thickness 5/32". Handle length 4-1/2". Current blade length 5-5/8". In correct "Woodcraft" style leather sheath. Firm price \$800.00. Call Martin (406)442-2783 for more information and photos. Serious inquiries please.

Limited edition sprint run of Junior Clipits. White Micarta handles, partially serrated blade. This is variation #13 in the Spyderco/Goddard Clipits. \$135.00 each, free shipping if you mention *OKCA Knewsletter*. Goddards, 473 Durham Ave. Eugene OR 97404 (541)689-8098 e-mail wgoddard44@comcast.net

Spyderco/Goddard Model C16PSBRG, \$65.00, free shipping when you mention OKCA. Goddards 473 Durham Ave Eugene OR 97404 (541)689-8098 e-mail wgoddard44@comcast.net

WANTED: WANTED: Any information available relative to a soldier/sailor who scratched the following info onto his Kingston military issue pocket knife "D. N. Hubbard OCT 3, 1945 -Lipa, Luzon -Phillipine Islands" I would like to locate this serviceman or his family and present this knife to them as a memorial to his service. Please respond by email to Rabonpwill@sbcglobal.net or by snail mail to Ray Roe, 1007 Pine Creek Dr., Pflugerville TX 78660. Call at (512)251-0805.

WANTED -Any information, ie: Patent numbers and/or drawings, manufacture drawings, catalog pictures etc. for letter openers with a folding knife blade in the handle. don1200@live.com

Buck Knives on consignment. For huge list of knives for sale, send \$2 w/ your name and address to: Larry Oden, 1112 Veach's Ct., Peru IN 46970

For Sale- Duplicates from my collection of Wood Handle Coke knives, small size (3-1/2"/+/-), large size (5-1/4"/+/-) or trade for ones I do not have. Only wood handle knives, please. Ron Edwards, email me @ ronjoyceedwards@comcast.net

Mosaic pins and lanyard tubes by Sally. See at www.customknife.com, email at sally@customknife.com. Phone (541)846-6755.

Blades and knifemaker supplies. All blades are ground by Gene Martin. I also do custom grinding. See at www.customknife.com, contact Gene at bladesmith@customknife.com, or call (541)846-6755.

Wanted: Information regarding the 20th Anniversary OKCA knife created by Wendell Fox. Scrimshaw by Jerry Whitmore. Who has it??? Contact Elayne OKCA (541)484-5564 email info@oregonknifeclub.org

FOR SALE - South Bend gear head lathe 9x32. Setup for line shaft operation. \$650. Call John Priest (541)689-6020

USEFUL REFERENCE BOOKS ON BLADES-Collectible knives, custom knives and knife making, military knives, swords, tools, and anything else that has an edge. E-mail for a list. As our name implies, if we don't consider a book to useful and a good value we will not sell it. **QUALITY BLADE BOOKS**, C/O Rick Wagner, P.O. Box 41854, Eugene OR 97404 - (541) 688-6899 - wagner_r@pacinfo.com

Sheaths Available in 5 different sizes tooled. \$15.00 each 2 for 25. Untooled \$10.00 each 3 for \$25.00. See us at the December and April show. Custom orders always welcome. Good selection and good pricing on knives as well. Ray Simonson Wild Boar Blades. (360)601-1927 www.wildboarblades.com info@wildboarblades.com

Wanted - Knives made by Barr Brothers. ibdennis@oregonknifeclub.org.

FOR SALE - Engnath Japanese style knife. 12" straight blade, not exactly a tanto. Nice temper line, handle and scabbard cut from one piece of lignum vitae. Absolutely beautiful. Call with offer -no one around here - Connecticut - knows a reasonable price. Bruce Fowler (203)457-1029

WWII ALLIED MILITARY FIGHTING & POCKET KNIVES 1941-1975. Buy/Sell/Trade. I'm well known in the collecting fraternity for dealing in high grade examples, and with an impeccable reputation for over 26 years now. I also do consignment sales on Ebay with a 100% Positive Feedback record for 10 years running. My eBay name is jsfischer1fs. Thank you! JOHN S. FISCHER, P.O. Box 47, Van Nuys CA 91408 email: jsfischer1@aol.com

WANTED: Clarence "Pete" Heath knife/knives. Articles, brochures, catalogs, letters and other Heath memorabilia also wanted. Jake Jakus S35 W33193 Honeysuckle Ct Dousman WI 53118 (414)331-1151

WANTED: 1962 U.S. Camillus MIL-K stainless steel utility knife. Rich Jones (503)956-5790 or rljshalom@verizon.net

Wanted - Table holders for the April 2010 Oregon Knife Collectors Knife Show.

WANTED: OKCA Club knives serial numbered "16." Need 1992 Gerber FS1---1989 Cripple Creek---1987 Al Mar Tanto---1983 Gerber Paul---1981 Gerber Gentleman Jack LST---will give \$100.00 for any 1980 Club Silver Knight. Fred Coleman (541)915-6241

Wanted: 1997, 1998, 1999 and 2000 OKCA silver medallions. Heceta Lighthouse, Oregon Beaver, Multnomah Falls and Mt. Hood. Call Jim (562)716-9857 or email: jpit306@earthlink.net.

For Sale blade blanks, mosaic pins and lanyard tubes, stabilized wood. Gene and Sally Martin. bladesmith@customknife.com, www.customknife.com. (541)846-6755

WANTED: Knives by Angus Arbuckle (1924-1982) of South Africa. Marked "ARA: in a diamond (early mark) or "Handmade ARA" over a winged cat. Contact: Richard Schechner P.O. Box 181923 Coronado CA 92178 (619)437-0564 rgs522@san.rr.com

Knife Laws on-line. Federal, state, local. Bernard Levine (541)484-0294 www.knife-expert.com.

For Sale: Made in France. Ready to blue or polish. Heavy 1095 French drop forge patch knife blades- 5 assorted- 2-1/2 to 3-3/4 plus strong rod tang. Pre hand shaped. You just sharpen and handle with stag or branch wood. Then sharpen as you will (5 blades) including shipping \$33.00. Visa/M/C/AMX. Sorry no pictures. 100% satisfaction. Club member Elliott-Hilary Diamond 6060 E Thomas Rd Scottsdale AZ 85251 (480)945-0700 Fax (480)945-3333 usgrc@cox.net

Wanted: SEGUINE Knives -Please call Jack at: (805)431-2222 or (805)489-8702 --email: jh5jh@aol.com

Randall Made Knives. Buy, Sell, Trade. Also a good selection of Case knives, and many custom knives for sale or trade. Jim Schick www.nifeboy.com (209)333-1155.

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The Newsletter

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Cutlery Events Calendar

March 2010

- Mar 12-14 - NW Georgia Show - Dalton GA (KW-B)
- Mar 19-21 - Southern California Expo 2010 - Pasadena (KW)
- Mar 20-21 - Willamette Valley Arms Show - Eugene OR
- Mar 20-21 - Bunker Hill Knife Show - Bethalto IL (KW-B)
- Mar 26-28 - Badger Knife Show - Janesville WI (KW-B-TK)
- Mar 27-28 - Texas Knife Show - Round Rock TX (KW-B-TK)

April 2010

- Apr 02-04 - Shenandoah Valley - Harrisonburg VA (KW-B)
- Apr 09-10 - Mason Dixon Show - Fredrick MD (KW)
- Apr 17-18 - **Oregon Knife Collectors - Eugene OR (KW-B-TK)**
- Apr 24-25 - Kentucky Cutlery Show - Shepherdsville (KW-B)
- Apr 30-02 - Greater Ohio Knife Show - Ft Mitchell KY (KW-B)

May 2010

- May 01-02 - NCCA Annual Show - Mystic CT (KW-B)
- May 07-08 - Palmetto Cutlery Show - Wellford SC (KW)

June 2010

- June 04-06 - Blade Show - Atlanta GA (KW-B-TK)
- Jun 10-12 - Parkers Greatest - Sevierville TN (KW-B)
- Jun 26-27 - Branson Knife Show - Branson MO (KW-B)

July 2010

- Jul 30-01 - A.G. Russell's Knife Event - Rogers AR (KW-B-TK)
- Jul 29-31 - Ohio Knife Show - Wilmington OH (KW)

August 2010

- Aug 04-07 - Buck Collectors Club Sevierville TN (KW)
- Aug 13-14 - Tar Heel Cutlery Show - Winston-Salem NC (KW)
- Aug 27-29 - Central Kentucky - Lexington KY (KW)

September 2010

- Sep 10-11 - Chicago Knife Expo - IL (TK)
- Sep 17-19 - Knifemaker's Guild Show - Louisville KY (KW-B)
- Sep 25-26 - Easton PA Knife Show (KW-B)


October 2010

- Oct 01-02 - Northern Lakes Show - Janesville WI (B)
- Oct 08-10 - Louisville KY Knife Show (B)

December 2010

- Dec 11-11 - **OKCA December Show - Eugene Oregon**

DINNER MEETING



Wednesday Evening

March 17, 2010
(wear green)
Third Wednesday
of the Month

Sizzler Restaurant
1010 Postal Way
Gateway Area
(Across from the
Post Office)

6:00 PM Dinner
Followed by meeting

Come Knife with us!
Bring a
Show-N-Tell knife!

Contact Dennis or Elayne (541) 484-5564 for additional information on OKCA events. For non-OKCA events, contact the sponsoring organization. Additional info = (B)lade Mag. -(KW) Knife World - (TK) Tactical Knives

