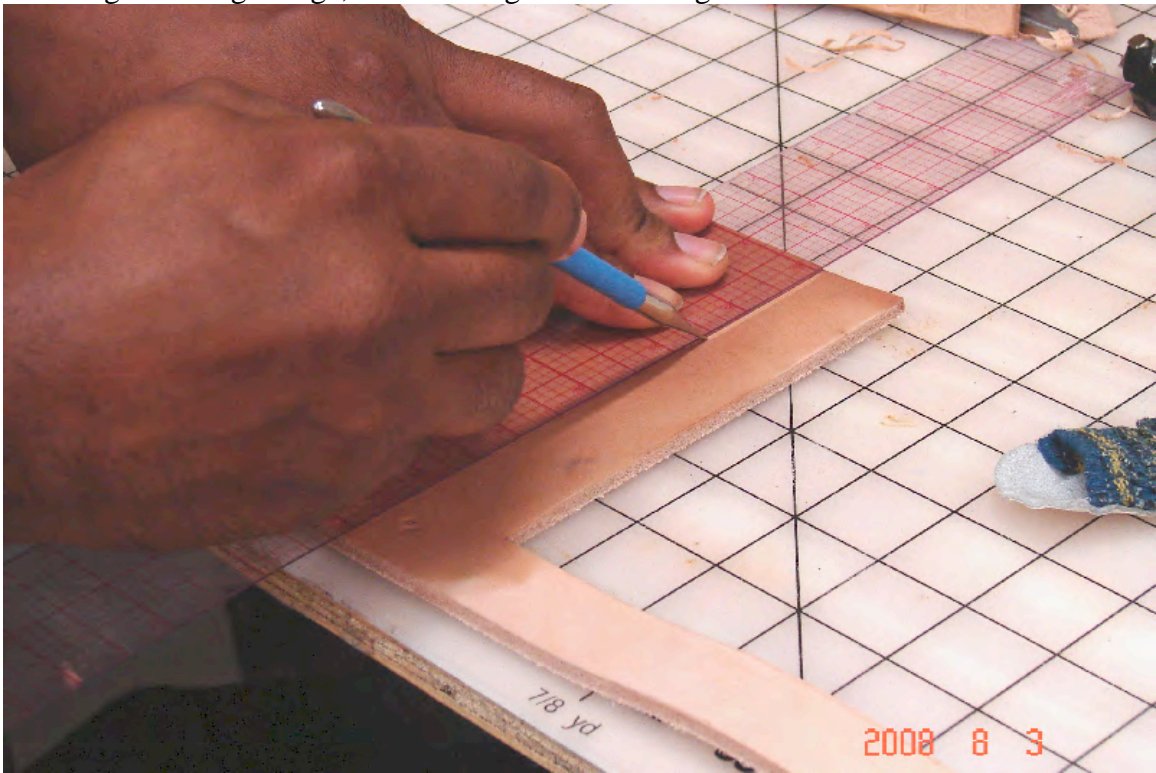


How to make bead lines, without a beader blade.

I had a request to from a fellow member to show how to make a bead without a beader blade, so I figured I'd do a quick tutorial.

You'll need, a tracing stylus or scratch awl, a swivel knife with you favorite blade, a straight edge, a wing divider, and a spoon modeling tool.

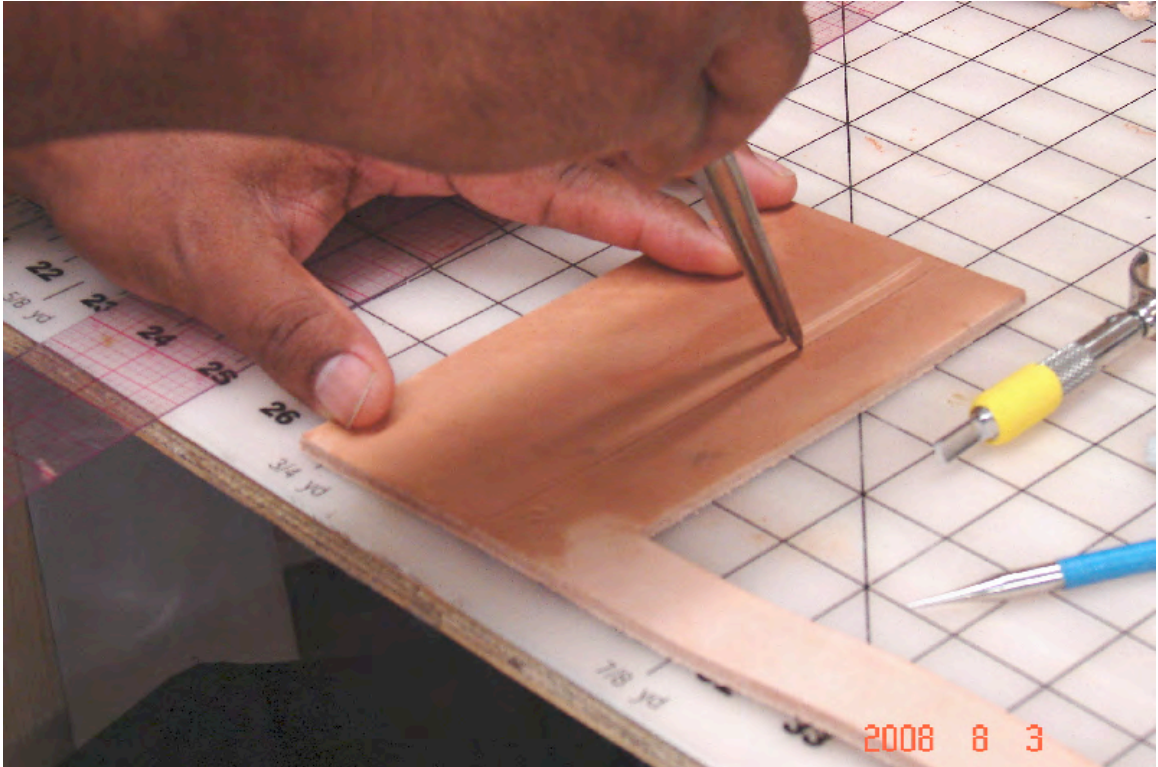
1. using the straight edge, trace a straight line the length of the bead.



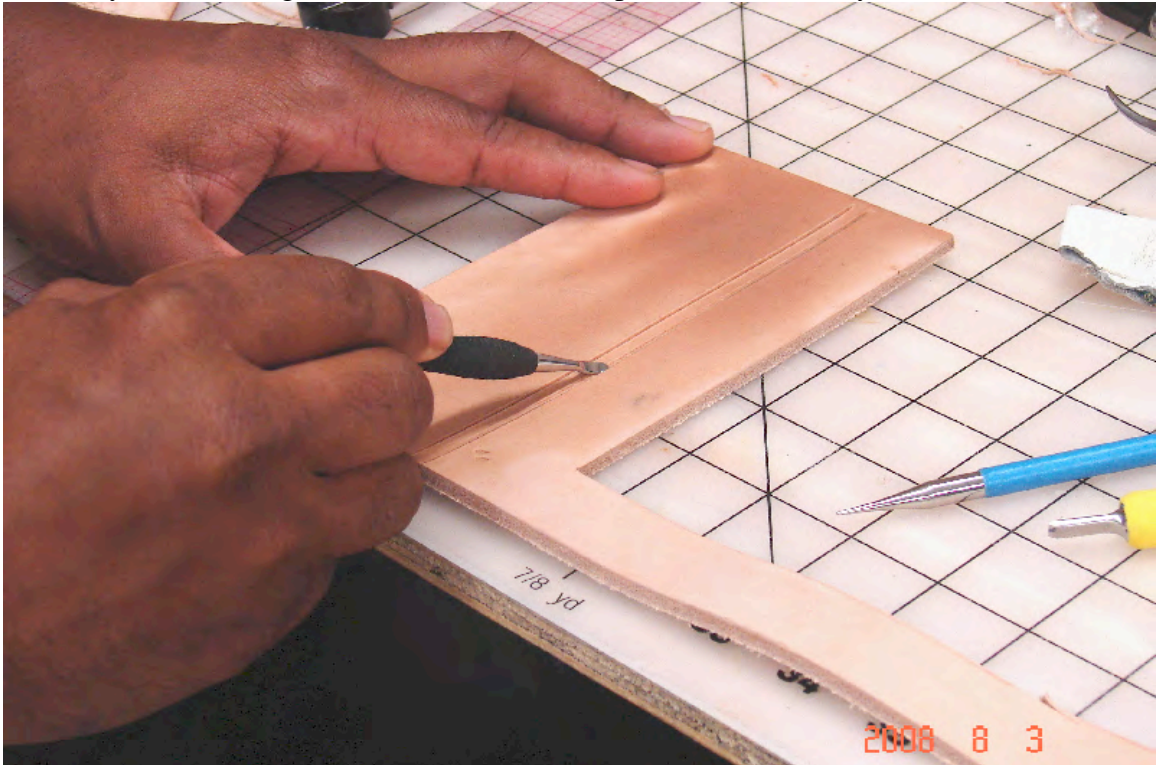
2. Cut this line with the swivel knife.



3. Use wing dividers set at bead width (1/8 inch works best in my opinion), and draw a parallel line using the cut groove as a guide.



4. Cut this new line with a swivel knife.
5. Use your modeling tool to round over the top of the bead until you're satisfied.



On the left is a bead using Barry King's 1/8" bead blade, on the right is the method described above.

