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One Good Turn

Coulee Region Woodturners Chapter of American Association of Woodturners

Next Meeting—Saturday, 19 June 2004, 9:00 AM — at Falch Studios in Winona, WI

AW! LET'S JUST CHUCK IT!

★ We'll have our experts showing you what chucks are all about. We'll have 4 -jaw chucks—like Stronghold,
★ Nova, Vicmarc. We'll have face plate stuff—like Longworth and Jam. We'll have vacuum chucks—like plates,
★ drums, and collets, of wood, aluminum, MDF and foam. So, if you have an interest in holding on to things,
★ this will be just the meeting for you.

The Prez Sez, from Duane Hill

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Well, I don't

know about you, but I am excited. At the time of this writing, it is less two weeks until the Utah Woodturning Symposium. I am very much looking forward to attending. First off, it is the 25th anniversary of this event. There is a special book available, which has works from every demonstrator at the Symposium. Also, there will be a book signing one night with demonstrators doing the signing. A large percentage of presenters will be there this year. Secondly, there is the chance to learn some new techniques, which is always exciting. Thirdly, traveling with Denis Falch, Art Ustby, Dave Dapkus, and Bill Gautsch makes it all the more fun. The five of us will leave on June 9 and return June 13. This gets us back about one week before the next meeting.

I thought we had a very good mentoring session last meeting as a result of the bandsaw mill rain-

out. When you depend on Mother Nature for a demo, sometimes you need to have a backup plan. The mentoring session was our backup plan. These tutorial sessions are a great way to raise your skill level. I know we have more planned; we are just looking for locations

I heard from Arizona - our wood shipment will be on the truck the week of June 7. We have about 15 people participating in the wood swap. I also heard from Sean Troy, the president of Arizona Woodturners. He was looking to turn one of the pieces of walnut we sent and was very pleased with the wood.

Well, that's about it. See you after the Utah Symposium and just try to get me to stop talking about it. Until then, safe turning.

Door Prizes

Meetings now have Door Prizes. Yes! You can win valuable prizes by just showing up, but only if you sign in.

Tool Day Planning

You need to have your order in by the end of the next meeting. Hollowers? Skews? Scrapers? As most of you know, we've made them all in previous years. Bring your druthers to the next meeting or get your order to your meeting planners in advance. We'll even have some examples to show you.

Be prepared to discuss and fill out the form.

The News

Future Meetings Here is a list of what is planned for the regular monthly meetings. If you have any comments or questions, please air them at the next regular meeting or at the Board Meeting, which you are free to attend. We always need you input.

July 17 Tool day. At B&B Studios. What would you like this year? We aren't going to be quite so ambitious this year, but we will still be doing grinding and heat treating. Get those requests in early if you feel you have a need for some low-cost tooling.

We are also going to have the swap meet again this year, so start gathering up those items that you know you want to barter away for some more worthwhile stuff.

August 21 We've been very spoiled the last few years by Shorty Mueller and Perry Liljander hosting this meeting at the Alma Aerie. We'll see if Shorty still has plenty of charcoal and chicken. Ken Grunke will demonstrate the making of one of his trumpet vases.

The UFO's we've heard so much about are expected to appear. So come on up to Area 51 and check out the aerial display.

September 11, 12

Bob Rosand, a big name turner from Bloomsburg, PA will be here for two days, September 11 & 12, at B&B Studios. Note that this is not the regular 3rd weekend. Like Dick Sing, Bob is a big guy who makes small stuff, but makes it very well. Plus, he can help those of you who need to improve your ambidexterity, because Bob is left-handed and has a lot of insight into the unique problems lefties encounter when using conventional lathes.

October 16 Ed Holz will be hosting at his shop in Sparta near the scenic shores of Perch Lake. Dave Dapkus will be discussing cutting, carving, chipping, burning—anything but turning.

November 20 Gary Friemann will again be hosting at his shop in Spring Grove, MN and Duane Hill will be explaining some of his mis-

takes and how he fixed them. So if you want to learn more about "design opportunities" be sure to drive down to our southern quadrant for this interesting and offbeat session.

<u>December 18</u> In Winona at Falch Studios, we'll have a demonstration of coring systems.

Woodworking School [from our shameless Commerce Division] Prairie River Woodworking, in Merrill, WI [actually just south of Merrill, WI at Exit 205—the Hwy Q Exit of I-39] is open for business. Mark Duginske and his staff [names like Toshio Odate, Linda Surowiec, Wayne Barton and others] are holding classes in this brand new facility with students learning everything from the bandsaw to the lathe with a few dovetails and workbenches thrown in with the carving. For information pick up a brochure at the next meeting. or surf to http://www.prairieriverwoodworking.com

Nonprofit Status This is going forward. There'll be more news on this after the wedding. We will need volunteers for a working and monitoring subcommittee, who will help Aaron after being trained by Amy. It's anticipated that we'll need these volunteers at about the end of this calendar year.

Wood Trading The reciprocal shipment from the Woodturners in Phoenix is en route. More news after it arrives.

Mobiles We still need volunteers to make balloons. Terry Snowden will coordinate and Ansel Heram has already made the baskets. It's for a good cause.

<u>Nuptials</u> Rich Egan will be married in October. The following comes from fiancée Sally: "Duane—I was wondering if the Wood Turners would be willing to create 20 - 25 turned bowls. ..." There have been some volunteers. See Rich or Duane Hill for info.

Treasurer Report Our cash balance is ~\$1980. We need your suggestions for items to add to the library.

News from Craft Supply:

A new discount program is available to group members. Contact Duane Hill for details. This month, ending July 15, you can get 15% off on Artisan Dyes as well as any of the products from Myland, HUT, and Liberon. This does not require a group buy.

Reminders for Next Meeting:

- 1. Need your selections for Tool Day.
- 2. Library Suggestions.

Meeting Review The last meeting was held 22 May 04, at B&B Studio in Onalaska. The rain wiped out the plans for the outdoor bandsaw mill demonstration, so the meeting was devoted to problem solving and mentoring amongst the members. Here are some pictures—many more are on the website. http://www.crwoodturner.com/

























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Next Meeting—Venue Change! We meet at the Denis Falch Studio. 9:00 AM Saturday 19 June 2004

Here's a map to help those who aren't sure where we will meet.

There are two streets for the same location. 1763 Gilmore Valley Road (formerly County Road 21), in Winona, sort of.

We'll start the program promptly, so you'll need to be a little early just to get one of The Uecker Seats. Remember—you have to bring your own chair to have a place to sit.

If you get lost or delayed, call Denis at (507) 454-0403 before the meeting for help or commiseration.

We'll have coffee, so donuts are ALWAYS welcome. And maybe something chocolate for that special person.

