February 7, 2005

One Good Turn

Coulee Region Woodturners Chapter of American Association of Woodturners

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Next Meeting—Saturday 19 Feb 2005, 9:00 AM 🕘 — at Falch Studio in Winona, MN

DUANE HILL IMITATES STUART BATTY

This month Duane Hill is standing in for Pam Reilly, who is still on the injured reserve list. While Pam is recuperating, Duane is going to show us how the Stuart Batty sharpening method works. He urges all of you with a dull bowl gouge to bring it to the meeting. He promises that the sparks will be flying and you'll leave well honed.

As I sit down to write this, it occurs to me that Prez Sez Valentine's Day is drawing near. I hope you

have turned some beautiful pieces for your loved ones as Valentine's Day presents. If you haven't you still have time, though not much.

Several things are happening in the club that I want/need to tell you about. First off, I am glad that everyone got the message about the cancellation of the Alan Lacer demo in January. With what they were planning for weather, and the amount of distance some members have to travel, as well as Alan himself, it seemed the prudent thing to do. We have rescheduled with Alan for April.

The canceling of the meeting brought a couple items up which we have not had to deal with. The first is meeting/event cancellations. Since we choose to live in the North Country and we never know for sure what Old Man Winter has up his sleeve, it would be wise to have some means of notifying members of a sudden change in plans. The Officer's discussed this at our last meeting and came up with the following methods for notification. All of which will be used in the event that a meeting or demo is cancelled. First off, we will put out a message on CRW-Talk stating that the meeting is cancelled. This will go out at least the day before the event. So please check your e-mail either the day before or the day of the event to make sure it is still on. Also, we will contact the host. You can call the host or one of the

officers if you have a question about the event. Third, we will start a call list to make sure those who do not have e-mail or don't check it frequently will be notified.

The second item I wish to bring up concerns professional demonstrations. For planning purposes, we need to know if you prefer a one day demo, two day demo or one day demo with one day hands on for the format. Most professional demonstrators charge between \$300 and \$500 per day plus expenses. That is why it is imperative that we know how you want these demonstrations structured. Please either send me an e-mail, give me a call or see me at the meeting and let me know what your preference is. You can also contact one of the other officers with this information. We are trying to make these demonstrations cash neutral for the club.

I hope you have had a great turning season (isn't Winter the turning season for everyone?) Make sure you stop by the Onalaska Gunderson Clinic and see our display in the lobby there from February 9 through March. We also have a display starting in May at the AAW offices, as part of their Northern reflections show. We will be picking 4 pieces in March to send there. We will also be starting a new challenge this meeting. Read inside the newsletter for details. I hope to see you at Denis Falch's place in February. Until then, safe turning.

Duane Hill

From the Board - {Reminder}

At the December Board Meeting [which, by the way, is open to all to attend], it was decided to have 3 or 4 members to help the meeting hosts in setting up for the meeting. These helpers are to contact the host no later than one week before the meeting to find out what needs to be done and when to be there. This would include getting the shop ready for the meeting, setting up coffee and treats and helping to clean up after the meeting. Terry Snowden has volunteered to do the scheduling for the helpers. If you are unable to assist in a particular month, it is up

to you to find your own replacement. Helpers for the upcoming meetings are:

February 2005 - Roger Stenhoff

Lyle Solem Jim Liberko Jim Sobota

March 2005 -Terry Snowden

> Dennis Snider Gerald Robertson Allen Nelson

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Sale Ad

CRW member Duane Hill is having a clearance sale.



11/4" x 8 TPI x 2" Faceplate - \$15



11/4" x 8 TPI Center Finder - \$15



11/4" x 8 TPI Reed Hub - \$20



11/4" x 8 TPI x 6" Faceplate - \$30



Knockout Bar - \$15



Steady Rest w/ Extra Head - \$25



11/4" x 8 TPI x 3" Screw Chuck - \$25



Delta Sharpening System w/ planer knife jig - \$150



Tool Crib Notice

The Tool Czar [aka Art Ustby] informs us that the tool crib has some additions. We now have a Talon Chuck [rigged for a 1" x 8 spindle] and two spindle adaptors [1-1/4" x 8 \rightarrow 1" x 8] and [M33 \rightarrow 1" x 8].

If you wish to borrow anything from the crib, just call T.Cz. at (608) 781-0914, arrange to hand him your car title [or an IOU of appropriate value], and you can try these out.

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The News

Feb & Mar Display Our stuff at the Gundersen Clinic in Onalaska. Tom Mruz has details.

Mar. 19 Meet in Winona. Ken Grunke does offset turning, complete with custom made jigs and fixtures. Toolmakers take note. Plus, tclub challenge pickup and Landmark Gallery judging.

AAW Exhibition CRW Members work will be juried for submission to the AAW Gallery at the Landmark Center in St. Paul. The 4 best go, based on our own Criteria. Submissions must be at the March meeting.

Apr. 9, 10 Professional turner Professional turner Alan Lacer at Gautsch Studio in Onalaska. Fee required. Details TBA. Also, Club Challenge judging.

May 21 Visit to the Dr. Larry Severeid Walnut/Chestnut farm in West Salem. Ed Holz has details.

June 18 Visit to member Bob Allen and his woods. We'll show to identify trees and wood.

July 16 Picnic. No tool day.

Lib<u>rary</u> Now open, with tighter controls on lending, so please pay attention. We're still missing some items.

October Guest 2-day demonstrator will be Jamie Donaldson, from Kentucky. He will be working on long bowls, square bowls, and photographing your work. We need to discuss this in advance to assure adequate attendance and costs versus revenue.



An Invitation

From Duane Hill—The next Group Challenge.

Sign up in February, in person or otherwise. Then, at the March meeting, we supply you with the materials [a genuine, world class, honest-to-goodness, state-of-the-art, residential construction loadbearing wood member] {no remarks, now}, and then you come to the April meeting with whatever it is that you made from this stock. Nothing additional allowed except the application of liquids, like adhesives, colorants, or finishes. .



2005 Dues are Past due.

The January blizzard gave all a one-month grace period. Yes, it's past time to pay those membership dues. \$25 payable through any CRW officer, in person or by

Please be aware that this is your last newsletter until you are paid up for 2005.



Reminder

From Duane Hill -

Heads up! The judging for our portion of the Landmark Gallery Northern Reflections show will take place at the March meeting. These are items that must be made after January 1, 2002. We decide which four we send. To clarify how to critique and judge the candidates, please refer to "The Art of Critique", American Woodturner, 19.1:54 and "Evaluating Wood Art: Language and Criteria", American Woodturner, 17.4:35



\$ From the Program Committee

The club is going to start compensating demonstrators with a small gratuity each month [no, Aaron, it's not retroactive]. This way we formally let them know that their effort is verymuch appreciated.



Another Reminder

From Tom Mruz -

The club display at the Onalaska Gundersen Clinic runs through the end of March. Tom would like to have more pieces representing the group. This is the first of several displays Tom has arranged for this year. For more info, see Tom at the meeting, or call him (608) 788-0224

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Next Meeting—Venue
Change! We meet at the Denis
Falch Studio. 9:00
Saturday, 19 Feb 2005.

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 AL-WAYS welcome. And maybe something chocolate for that special person.

