

One Good Turn

Coulee Region Woodturners



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Happy New Year!



December Meeting and Potluck. Did everyone have fun? Did you go home hungry?



CRW Mission Statement: To promote, to educate, and to inspire ourselves and others in the fine art of turned wood.

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The Prez Sez...

Good Morning:

I hope there are not too many throbbing heads this morning of Jan 1st. If there are, OH well - It's windy & snowing, a perfect time to be in the shop, but again "Oh Well"

Some 4 months ago I retired, quit or stopped working or all of the above. One of the primary thoughts to this move was more time in the shop - but as you may have guessed - it did not happen and is still not happening. I hope the moral is not to go back to work.

Now that the unplanned last minute rush of Christmas products is over (How many of you get volunteered along with your skills for wood projects that someone else thought you had lots of free time to do). Now it's January - a time with less pressures for time and hopefully more time for the shop and expanding your horizons. With luck I'll get in the shop too.

Looking back at our last meeting - Dec. Thanks to a lot of members and their hearty wives who had to listen to wood talk for another 3 hours. There was a great spectrum of work shown at the before and after project display. Least we not forget the bountiful supply of incredible dishes that were heartily consumed . With that in mind there were two unsung heroes who handled pots, plates and roasters full of food plus gallons of beverages. Dean Zimmer and Dennis Racki who quietly come in an hour early to start to get thing rolling and kept busy most of the meeting . One other comes up as well Duane Hill for this computer skills to hurry on the tool order and lastly to all those who attended to create a great morning for all.

It's January, and in the winter months we generally have more time for our craft of woodturning. I know that some shops are very cold this time of year, but we have lots of shops that have heat, light , music and conversation all through the winter months. Perhaps sharing some heat with those who don't will give you new insight on projects and techniques that you are working on. Everyone thinks differently. Another great place to get your questions answered is at our monthly club meeting. Eighty heads more or less are better then one. More of the business of the club will be covered in the newsletter and less in the meetings, therefor allowing for more discussion on wood. If you have a turning situation or questions bring them up, others may have those same questions. Those questions help form the tropics for future demos. I & the board have thoughts on topics but the club as a whole needs to have input for pertinent topics.

I've probably talked too long and said too little, so I'll finish by saying see you in January through December this year. Get into a shop, stay safe, be creative and have fun!

See ya,

Clyde

What's Happening in our shops?

Geno Valentini Visits Bob Patros for some mentoring.



Bob Patros and Jim Frank Build some useful lathe accessories. Good teamwork, guys!



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News From The Board

Your 2012 Dues are due! If you are not a currently paid member, please see John Griffiths or contact him 608-248-2782 to get current. Dues are still only \$35, with checks payable to CRW. Don't miss out on access to our growing library and collection of loaner tools!

The board is trying to reduce costs of printing and mailing the newsletter. If you currently have the newsletter mailed to you, but think you could receive it via computer, please see one of the board members to be sure we have a current email address for you. The board is considering assessing an extra charge for printed newsletters.

The club has a member directory which can help you get in touch with other members with a question. It's a confidential list, and the board needs help keeping it up-to-date. Please see a board member if your information has changed, or you would like to be added to the list. The board would also like to start a collection of current member photos, to help members connect a name with a face. Interested members will be lined up against the wall and shot (with a camera!).

Tool Purchase/Raffle: Starting in March, members will have the opportunity to win a new quality turning tool in a tool raffle. The club will purchase a tool, and members may purchase as many tickets as they wish - the more the better! The choice of tools will be determined by input from club members.

The club bylaws will be published yearly in this newsletter.

Calendar

Topics for Meetings:

Jan - Christmas Angels by Dan Erickson

Feb - Tool Sharpening with Duane Hill. Bring your problems for a pointed discussion.

March - Jamieson hollowing system with Jim Frank.

From the Des Moines Woodworkers

Craig Timmerman Turning Demo & Workshops

On Saturday, March 31, noted turner Craig Timmerman will be putting on a day-long demonstration at the Woodsmith Store from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Projects to be covered will include torus vases, 3-legged display stands, "double-take" vase-turning a multiaxis vase, spheres, and, if time permits, a 3-sided bowl. The cost is \$25 for Des Moines Woodworkers Association members and \$40 for non-members (includes lunch). Additionally, Craig will be offering a limited number of all day, hands-on classes for a fee of \$110/day on April 1, 2 & 3. All class reservations are first come/first served. DMWA Members will have priority until March 1st. On-line recipients should complete the included form and post office receipts should contact Paul Miller at 515-276-6943 or e-mail: miller-pem@gmail.com to register.

**BY-LAWS FOR THE COULEE REGION WOODTURNERS, LOCAL CHAPTER OF
THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF WOODTURNERS, INC., A NONPROFIT
CORPORATION
NOV. 17, 2011**

This document is intended to serve as a guideline for the formation and organization of Local Chapters of the American Association of Woodturners.

ARTICLE I – ORGANIZERS AND LOCATION

The Chapter organizer is: Duane Hill
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Cities or locations from which you expect to draw members: Southwestern Wisconsin, Southeastern Minnesota, Northeastern Iowa.

ARTICLE II – OFFICES

The principle office of this Chapter will be located at: W7329 County Road Z, Onalaska, Wi. 54650

ARTICLE III – RELATION OF CHAPTER TO THE CORPORATE ORGANIZATION

All officers of this Chapter agree to be members in good standing of the American Association of Woodturners, Inc.

While it is understood that the parent organization will provide advice and counsel, as requested, Local Chapters are advised that the nature and extent of their activities are left to their discretion. Demonstrations, while probably part of the normal activities of Local Chapters, are to be conducted solely at the discretion of Local Officers, and all safety and instruction is to be under their explicit direction and control.

The national office strongly recommends placing some sort of sign or notice on or around any lathe used for demonstration; that safety eye protection must be worn and a full face shield when needed. Use of a dust mask and wearing hearing protection is recommended. The lathe is a potentially dangerous instrument only to be used with Chapter approved supervision.

ARTICLE IV – PURPOSES

ARTICLE V – MEMBERSHIP FEES

Annual membership fees for this Chapter (over and above fees paid to the national organization) will be **\$35.00** per person. Members older than 80 years old and Students pay a reduced fee of **\$25.00** per year. Family members of a fully paid member may join for an additional **\$15** per year. The membership fee covers a minimum of 10 meetings per year. When scheduling permits, professional demonstrations will be provided for 2 meetings per year at an additional cost. When funds are available and scheduling permits, the club will sponsor a professional demonstration at no extra cost to the members.

ARTICLE VI – MEETINGS

This Chapter will meet the third Saturday of every month at 9:00 a.m., unless otherwise notified in writing. The meetings will be held at the Onalaska Community Center, 515 Quincy Street, Onalaska, WI 54650, unless otherwise notified.

A notice of each meeting will be sent to each member 7 days before it is scheduled.

Special Events:

A special Event is an event over and above a standard meeting event controlled by the Program Chairman. A special event must be approved by the Officers before the event is started. The special event will be considered a club project and is subject to all insurance privileges the club has. The event coordinator (Leader) must keep the officers apprised of all facets of the event with requested documentation and review.

ARTICLE VII – OFFICERS

A. Number and Election. The Officers of this Chapter shall be: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer **and Program Director**. These officers shall be elected annually by a majority vote of the Chapter's paid up members. Such **Chairman and Assistant Chairman** as deemed necessary may be elected by the Chapter members or appointed by the elected Officers.

B. Term of Office. Each Officer shall hold office for 1 year. Election of Officers will occur during the **October meeting of each year and will not take office until January 1, of the following year.**

C: Removal. Any Officer elected or appointed may be removed when it is deemed that the best interests of the Chapter would be served by such removal. This would be accomplished by a majority vote of the members in good standing who

A. are present at the time of the vote, so long as at least 50% of the paid-up members are present.

B. Vacancies. A vacancy in any Officer Position because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or otherwise may be filled by a majority vote of the members in good standing at the chapter meeting for the unexpired portion of the term.

C. President. The President shall be the principal executive officer of the Chapter. His/ Her duties include:

a. Supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the Chapter with **the consent of the majority of the officers.**

Conduct at least 6 Chapter meetings per term.

D. Vice President. In the absence of the President or in the event of his/her death, inability, or refusal to act, the Vice President shall perform the duties of President, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all of the restrictions upon the President. The Vice President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the President.

E. Secretary. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the Chapter's meetings in one or more books provided for that purpose and see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these By-Laws. In general, the Secretary shall perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the President. **(See Duty Attachment)**

F. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall collect all membership fees and all other monies belonging to the Chapter. He/She will be responsible for keeping current and accurate records of all monies that flow through the Chapter. In general, the Treasurer shall perform all the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the President. **(See Duty Attachment)**

Program Director. The program Director will establish a calendar of events for the year that provides demonstrations that will advance the clubs knowledge and skills. Find and contact guest demonstrators as the officers and or members direct. (See Duty Attachment)

ARTICLE VIII – INDEBTEDNESS

AAW's national office MUST be notified in writing PRIOR to a Local Chapter incurring any indebtedness for AAW.

ARTICLE IX – AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF WOODTURNER'S DISCLAIMERS

FISCAL AND LEGAL

The corporation, the American Association of Woodturners, Inc., specifically disassociates itself from any debts, obligations or encumbrances of the Local Chapter. The Corporate Board of Directors of AAW is not responsible for the debts or shares in the profits of the Local Chapters. The Corporate Organization does not shoulder any

legal liability for accidents that occur during events of any kind sponsored or not sponsored by a Local Chapter.

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ARTICLE X – AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be altered, amended, or repealed and new By-Laws may be adopted by a vote of a simple majority of the qualified voting members of the Chapter then casting ballots. Copies of all modifications to this By-Law MUST be filed with the national office of AAW.

ARTICLE XI:

I. CAPITAL PURCHASES:

The Officers may at their discretion make purchases on behalf of CRW provided said purchases do not exceed \$500 for any one item **IF THE BUDGET ALLOWS**. Any purchase under consideration whose amount exceeds \$500 must be put before the membership for a vote. The vote must be made by a majority of current members in good standing.

ADDENDUM TO BY-LAWS

Disposition of Coulee Region Woodturners' assets

Definitions:

CRW – Coulee Region Woodturners

Assets – any and all property owned by CRW including but not limited to video equipment, lathes, turning tools and accessories, website, library materials, balance in club checking account, etc.

Process:

In the event of the dissolution, division or cessation of the operation of CRW, assets shall be disposed of as follows:

- 1) Schools in the La Crosse area (including Onalaska, Holmen and surrounding towns) shall be given the opportunity to receive lathes, turning tools and accessories, library materials and video equipment free of charge
- 2) In the event area schools are unable or unwilling to accept said materials, surrounding woodturning clubs (located in WI, MN and IA) shall be given the opportunity to acquire same in exchange for reasonable donations. What constitutes "reasonable donations" will be established by the officers of CRW at the time of the dissolution, division or cessation of CRW
- 3) In the event that area woodturning clubs are unable or unwilling to purchase said materials, remaining items shall be raffled to paid members of CRW
- 4) Any balance in the CRW checking account and any cash received from the sale of the above materials shall be donated to the American Association of Woodturners (AAW) to be split evenly between the EOG fund and the Disaster Fund
- 5) In the event the AAW is unable or unwilling to accept these funds, they shall be donated in their entirety to the local chapter of a national charity. Said charity to be decided by the officers at the time of dissolution, division or cessation of CRW
- 6) DVDs of archived materials located on the club website shall be made available to paid members of CRW at the time of dissolution, division or cessation of CRW

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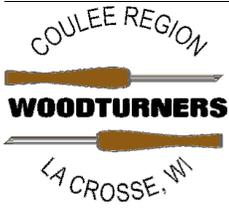
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"A Turn For the Better"



**Next Meeting
Onalaska Community
Center Saturday,
Jan. 21 2011 at 9 am.**

Here's a map to help those who aren't sure where we meet. It's the Onalaska Community Center at the intersections of Quincy & 6th Ave North in Onalaska, Wisconsin. 608-783-9290

We'll start the program promptly at 9am, so get there early to avoid getting a Uecker Seat.

We'll have coffee, so Chocolate donuts are ALWAYS Welcomed.

