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Greg Haugen



Thanks, Greg for a very interesting presentation on a "dry" topic!

Great job to everyone who brought tops for the challenge and items for the instant gallery!

Bring your appetites this month for our December Pot-luck! Also bring your Instant Gallery Creations.



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Thanks to all who serve our club!

The Prez Sez...

I started out to the shop this morning at -3 degrees. My woozy dog wouldn't even go out with me. It took three briskets for Henry to join me. The shop also took an extra-long time to warm up but on a cold morning I usually have the shop to myself. It is now December and with that the December meeting is a fun one, with a big schedule. We'll have a very brief business meeting, I mean brief, instant gallery, or should I say the monthly amazing gallery, the work that ends up on the table is incredible. After all that a break, after the break is talking and fooding, come hungry. Somehow the break seems unnecessary, with that in mind you might check with Bob Raasch as to what you are bringing to pass. It would be unfortunate to have too much Prime Rib and no cookies. Do not worry, the club has plenty of beverages on hand. Keep in mind that many of the foods brought to the meeting, if not consumed, will be appreciated by other worthy causes, again see Bob.

The club is in need of a new librarian. Due to reasons beyond her control, Karen Frank has stepped aside, but we will enjoy her company at many meeting to come. Jack Fitzpatrick will stay on as Assistant Librarian and help teach whoever comes forward to take over the post. Also, sometime during the December meeting the AV Guys will hold a season for anyone who would like to help out in the future.

There are two open lathes for the Alan Lacer hands on, do not miss this opportunity. See Greg Haugen or Phil Miller for your spot. The Craft Supply tool order will be sorted out for the meeting, so those who have an order get your money in to Duane Hill before the meeting.

Duane delivered 25 bowls to the Empty Bowls project, thanks to those who donated their work. The pen kits for the pins for Habit for Humanity are now in along with the blanks. Both will be at the meeting. If you wish to start early call or email me and we will make arrangement for you to start early. We would like the completed pens for the Feb 2014 meeting.

The next tool raffle will be during the March meeting. It will be a vacuum system from Frugal Vacuum Systems. A few club members have already purchased this system and several have set this system up, John Phillips and Steve Stevenson are two that have set up theirs and are very pleased. We will try to have some photos of the setup system for you to see.

The next challenge will be a fun one. For the Jan 2014 meeting you will rough turn a project no more than 10" on diameter and 12" in length. **Please - Please no green wood** Bring your piece in, in a paper bag with no name. Those who have entered at the January meeting will pick a bag unopened, take it home and finish it or use it in conjunction your ideas. Your complete project will be shown at the March meeting. It will be a surprise to both parties to the outcome. Adding two sets of ideas should make for some very interesting products.

Thanks to the efforts of the new board, the 2014 schedule is one paper, Congratulations to them.

The General Lathe was sold last month and club is now \$120 richer. Good job by both seller and buyer.

Remember if you do not pay for you Craft Supply bill early - **like now** - those of us that break down the order on Friday night will get first dips on your tools.

I do not know about you, but my family Christmas order list is growing, I better get started. I'm writing this in the shop and Henry is working on a piece of Cherry, his favorite and does not have time to help, so the errors are all mine. Take advantage of the weather and turn were it is warm.

Alan Lacer, Sat general demo will include, the skew and later on if allowed fire - should be a great show

Henry is now eyeing a piece a Birdseye Maple, need to stop that idea, see you Saturday.

Clyde Cassell

From Bob Raasch 2013 Program Director

Last month's Spinning Tops was a fun event. Each of the winners were awarded a gift certificate to A Line Machine Tool Company, courtesy of the CRW. The winners were: Longest time spinning, Dan Wilson; the beauty contestant tops by their makers, 0-2 years turning, Dan Check; 2-5 years spinning, Terry Klais; and greater than 5 years, Tom Mruz.

Greg Haugen's November presentation on drying wood with a heated kiln was informative and helpful. I especially liked his model of wood with the straws...as I have a short memory, just don't ask me the number of straws he mentioned. Wish I room for one, if only I could put one outside! Thank you Greg for doing this.

Thanks for mentioning the luncheon, Clyde. I'm getting hungry just thinking bout all the good foods members will bring to the Christmas bash.

As always, choc donuts and other such sweet goodies and such always welcomed to go with the coffee as we gather.

Regarding the meal, its Pot luck for lunch. So far, we have the following foods coming; I'm bringing hot dogs, nestled in the Nesco and Jim and Karen Frank are supplying Buns for the dogs and condiments. It would be great to have a crock pot of Meat Balls, Fruit Salad, Bar B Q beans, Broccoli Salad, Scalloped potatoes, Mac & Cheese, Olive Plate, Venison Sausage, Deviled Eggs, Cakes, Cookies, Pies, and Fudge. If any of these items interests you to bring, please let me know via email as soon as possible. Of course, anything from your imagination would be wonderful.

I anticipate probably 60-70 members or more to attend this wonderful and fun, end of the year event.

The club will supply bottled water, soda, coffee, hot chocolate, plates, napkins, dinnerware, cups and bowls. We need to clean up by 1:00 pm.

If per chance we have left over hot stuff, buns, unopened cakes, cookies, etc. , with your approval, I'd be more than happy to take to the Salvation Army. There is always a need this time of the year for those less fortunate than we.

I'm looking forward to getting my items from the club's Craft Supply order. We are like kids in a candy store, looking to savor the next bite, or playing with our next acquisition- tool, turning kit, finish, or whatever. What a deal! A thank you to Duane Hill in advance for collecting our list, submitting the order, and coordinating the dispensing of the items into paper grocery bags. Come to the Friday evening club set-up party and gets yours early- bring a bag if you come!

The Program Director torch is now passed to Greg Haugen. I look forward to continue serving the club as I am able. We have a wonderful bunch of members; men, women and young people to continue to promote the passion of woodturning.

Regards, Bob Raasch
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News From Duane Hill

Craft Supplies Order - We had 22 members participate in the group buy with Craft Supplies. We had a \$5600 order and received a 13% discount with free shipping. The order has been placed and should be here before the December meeting. We will have orders ready to distribute at the December meeting. If you placed an order, make sure you get your checks to John Griffiths before the December meeting. If you are interested in helping to sort, give Duane Hill an e-mail or call. We will be sorting orders on the Friday before the December meeting.

Holmen Empty Bowls - We had eleven members participate in the Empty Bowls project; Duane Hill, Clyde Cassell, Bob Raasch, John Phillips, Odell Anderson, Bob Patros, Tom Mruz, Paul Rops, John Griffiths, Rich Egan and Jay Johnson. We submitted 25 bowls to Holmen's Empty Bowls Project. Thanks to all those who helped with this.

Duane



As this year winds down, I would like to thank all of the current CRW Officers, Technical Advisors, and Club mentors for their stewardship in 2013. As a past and now incoming officer of our club, I know about the time and dedication it takes to make things happen for all of us.

As the new officers, technical advisors, or mentors begin the new year at our posts, think about how you can participate in helping the club through volunteering to demonstrate, helping to set up before and/or cleaning up after meetings, or just asking how you can help. This a great way to contribute, and your reward is giving back to a group that is always there for you.

I hope you and your family have a wonderful holiday season. I'm looking forward to another great year for our club with exciting upcoming events, while continuing to learn from each other woodturning skills and the fun that goes with it.

All the best,
Bob Patros
CRW Secretary
2014

From our Treasurer John Griffiths

Hello all, my usual message to remind you who have not paid that we need dues from 35 of you. We are in great shape due to the diligence of so many of you paying for 2014 in the past two months as 71 members have paid so far. So if you are one who has not paid yet, please send your dues to me at 88 West 6th Street, Buffalo City WI 54622. Call me at

608-248-2782 or email me if you have questions. Remember, dues are \$36 for regular members, \$25 for students and 80+ and \$50 for couples/families. I'll take dues at the meeting too, but prefer them earlier so I have less to keep track of at the meeting.

Assuming everyone renews, we will have 106 members. That is outstanding and it tells me that we as a club must be doing something right! You are a great bunch of members.

John Griffiths

From our Tool Czar, John Phillips

It's time, well actually it's past time, to remind members that in a fashion similar to our library checkout system, you have the opportunity to check out tools from our tool crib. We have quite an assortment of tools, ranging from the mini lathes that we use for demonstrations, to tools that many of us need occasionally but not often enough to own ourselves. Reamers for a Morse taper, assorted taps, a texturing tool, various hollowing tools, a larger/smaller four jaw chuck, and the list goes on. Please take advantage of the opportunity. Now that our dues are due for next year, it is good to be reminded that this is yet another example of the value of a club membership.

Planning Ahead to 2014

2014 Demo Agenda

January

February

March

April

May

June

July

August(Shorty's)

September

October

November

December

Back to Basics (Bowl Turning) Hands-On

Alan Lacer

Spheres-Duane Hill

Fire Piston-Jack Fitzpatrick

Carving/Woodburning- Odell Anderson

Multi-Axis- Rich Egan

Jimmy Clewes

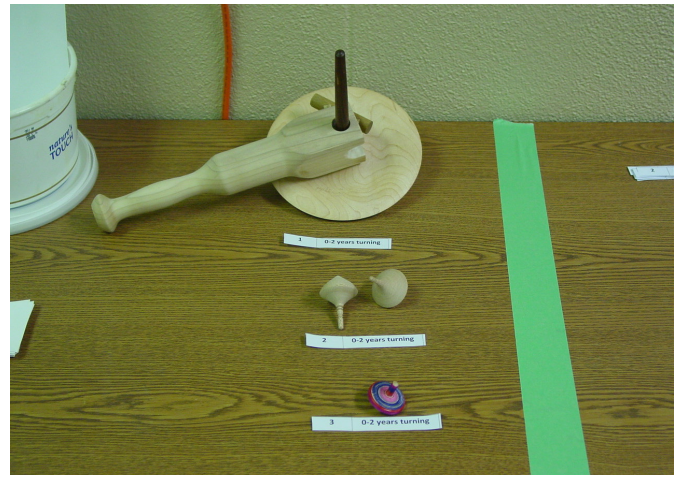
In-Lace-Duane Hill

Segmenting Basics-Phil Miller

Pen Turning-Demonstrator TBA

Christmas Party?????

November Top Challenge



Kris Clough



Jim Frank



Wendell Ziegler



Ansel Hiram



November Instant Gallery

John Frawley



Kris Clough



Dean Zimmer



John Griffiths



Larry Gehl



Steve Stevenson



John Griffiths



More November Meeting Gallery

Paul Rops



LaVonne Swiggum



Reid Granke



Wendell Ziegler



Jim Kowalski



Frank Cadwell



Merlyn Finley





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"A Turn For the Better"



Next Meeting
Saturday,
Dec 21 2013 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.

