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A Visit to the Stevenson Ranch!
Many Thanks to Our Hosts Steve and Carol Stevenson!



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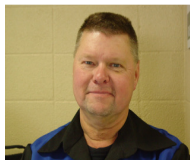


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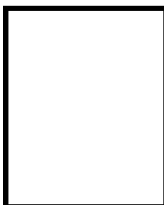


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The Prez Sez...

Greetings from the soggy land of Wisconsin

It is a good thing that lathes are used undercover. The rain allows us much more time to use them. Many thanks go out to Carol and Steve Stephenson, for the great day they provided us all. It is really terrific to have such open friends.

By now Bob Raasch has gotten back to his normal color. He is to be thanked for that day as well, no one worked harder. John Griffiths did a bang up job on the lathe for the demo. It is the first time I have been around cotton candy at 8:00 in morning for years.

The up and coming June meeting will be a good one.

A. Rob Nelson will be here for the day, trying to have some of his skills run of on the rest of us. We have the building until 5:00.

B. Now along with that, Eddy Holz is having his 90th birthday. His wife and son request that members come out in force, for they are bringing lunch for all attending, birthday cake included. I tried to talk her out of it but she will not say no, so lunch will be served around 11:45ish. Being that she is bringing a cake, please bring extra fire extinguishers in case the fire on the cake gets out of hand.

A couple of items of business. The two members who take care of the coffee service are stepping down from their duties. They were asked to help out for a couple of months 2 years ago, and wish to spend their time differently around the club, so what the means is, if someone does not come forward to help, you will not get your first cup of coffee until 9:45 or so. If you like your coffee please help out. When you come in on Saturday morning there are several people who go out of their way to make your day better. Let them know they doing a good job.

Several of the club members have put in requests to host meetings at their shops so we might be doing more traveling in the future. Remember before the park house we traveled each month. The July meeting is being hosted by A-Line, therefore the meeting will be held a A-Line. We will have a regular meeting with a modified library, and Phil Miller will be doing the demo. A-Line is also doing a lunch for us, there will be a \$5.00 tip bowl at the front of the line to help with the cost. Please bring your usual donuts and such and a desert for the meal. It is a regular length meeting so we will be cleaned up and out by 2:00. Bring your own chairs.

In regard to your request for big name turners for demos, the board has approved for two to come in 2014. The board has done research into the cost of professional turners and has come up with a formula that will help all members.

1. All day presentation demos - A \$25.00 fee for each member and the balance picked up by the club.

2. Second day hands on will be held to 8 slots to be \$110.00 for a full day, balance to be picked up by the club. If there is enough interested a 3rd of 8 slots will be made available if possible.

Note: For the hands on session payment will be made at time of sign up

Sign up will be 2-3 months ahead of the day of program due scheduling.

With that in mind, our first Pro will be Alan Lacer for our Feb 2014 meeting. The board is currently researching for a second Pro which will be in June or July 2014.

Remember the tool raffle drawing for the 4 jaw chuck will be this June meeting. Again, elections are coming up in October. Think about donating you talents to the board for the club.

See you Sat

Clyde

News from Bob Raasch Hard-Working Program Chair

The May meeting at the Stevenson's was well attended by about 44 club members and guests. Carol, thanks for making the pot of Highlander Grogg coffee to start the morning off with as we enjoyed the donuts and such the members brought.

The event lunch served was of tasty meats roasted over charcoal by Zlatko Vujic, wonderful side dishes, and fabulous desserts to share, brought by club members. Oh my, what a feast! Carol, the table settings were beautiful, real table cloths, wrapped dinner ware and all. Also, included in the day was the museum tour, oh boy, what a marvelous jewel, and the saw mill demonstration by Steve and Paul Coblentz. Many members left the event with choice wood blanks of cherry or walnut, freshly cut that day on the saw mill. Following brief business meeting announcements, the turning demonstrator was our own John Griffiths. John presented a well done demonstration of making and using a jig to make a coffee cup scoop, augmented with the Donuts and Coffee article from the American Woodturner magazine of August 2012. John, please accept my apology for not being able to get the microphone/speaker working; we could hear you just fine just the same. Lots of good questions from the gallery!

Bob R wants to acknowledge the following individuals for their help in preparation for the event by supplying coolers, roasters and such and other assorted help; Carol and Steve, Scot and Lori, Jim and Karen, Clyde, Phil and Duane, Zlatko, and Paul G. My apology if I missed others.

Steve and Carol, thank you for such a warm welcoming invitation and the wonderful time we all had at the Town of Stevenson.

Our June meeting with feature Rob Nelson from Winchester, WI. Rob teaches classes at this home shop and at the Clearing Folk School in Ellison Bay in Door County. Rob was with us last summer when he demonstrated multi axis turning. This will be an all day event. Rob will be discussing and demonstrating finials, designing, proportions, balance, etc. For afternoon, there be an opportunity for some hands on work with multiaxis or additional finial work on the club's lathes.

The tool raffle drawing this month is the SuperNova2 wood chuck, donated by A Line Machine Tool. Tickets will be available at the meeting if you have not purchased yours already.

On Friday, June 14 a few club members will be doing a turning demonstration at the Bethel Home Services (nursing home) in Viroqua, from 2-3 pm. This father's day theme event will be about how a lathe works and short turning demonstration. If interested in helping out, please contact Clyde Cassell or Bob Raasch.

The July meeting demonstrator will be our own Phil Miller.

Also on the list of club events once again is the 3rd annual Art Fair on the Farm and Chocolate Soiree at the Norskedalen Heritage Site (just west of Coon Valley) on Sunday July 7 from 10 am to 4 pm. Club members are invited to demonstrate turning and selling their products. Please be thinking about how you can participate in this event by volunteering to turn and help manage the selling booth. We anticipate setting up from 9-10 am. **A signup sheet will be available at the June meeting.**

The club will also be participating in the Great River Folk Festival held on Saturday and Sunday Aug 24-25 at the UWL campus. Hopefully club members will be able to turn wood and sell some product as was done last year.

The next feast we are looking forward to will be at Shorty's Cabin retreat at the August meeting. Our own Wendell Ziegler will be demonstrating. We will have a signup sheet and be collecting money for that event at the July meeting.

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Here are some examples of Rob Nelson's work
Rob is our guest demonstrator for June



Our Visit to the Stevenson Ranch







What do you do with a broken arm? Collaborate. I had finished the base and the mountain before I banged up my arm. When you are one handed how do you stay away from your lathe? It takes Wood Turner Friends. This vase took parts and pieces from several members.

1. The Fungus from Bob Raasch
2. The Cactus from Odell Andersen
3. Finished turning of the base by Roger Petersen
4. The Mushroom from John Phillips



The inspiration to stay away from my lathe came from my wife Karen. She said she would smack my other arm with a baseball bat if I touched the lathe until my cast was off. GOOD NEWS, yesterday the cast came off and the Dr. says to turn until it hurts. (I paid him extra to say that). Getting through a tough period takes effort's of many. Thanks guys for being there helping me cope with adversity. It's great to be a member of the best turning club in town Coulee Region Wood Turners.

Jim Frank





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"A Turn For the Better"

**Next Meeting
Saturday,
June 15 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.

