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Rob Nelson's small negative-rake scraper

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Many Thanks to Rob Nelson, our guest presenter for the June Meeting. Rob presented a program on the design and execution of thin finials. Our meeting was also a 90th birthday party for Ed Holz! Happy Birthday, Ed!



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# The Prez Sez...

Greetings:

Thank goodness for a break in the weather. But thanks to good weather Norskedalen was a great day. All those club members that showed up, got to turn if they wished. Thanks to the generosity of Lvonne Swiggum who donated two carved bowls and the club sales where good also. We also need to thank Jim Frank and his Suburban for stuff delivery and return.

Our June meeting was a full one, The demo by Rob Nelson was a very informative one. I'm glad he started out with a little history of finials before he started out. We should all say a prayer for Eddy Holz's wife, not only has she lived with him for a long time but was willing to celebrate his 90th birthday with us. Her lunch was great. She and her son worked hard to feed us all, Many Thanks go out to her.

The new tool raffle for September will a set of three Mike Hunter tools, for miniatures and ornaments along with some other fun stuff. The next club challenge for November will be on tops, any size, any shape. Prizes will be given for the categories 1-3 years, 3-5 year, and 5 plus years. The grand prize will go to the top that remains vertical the longest in the great spin off. So sharpen up your tools, everyone can try this one.

The up and coming meeting for July will be held at A-Line on Monitor St in La Crosse. Most of you have been there, if you need directions ask a fellow club member. Bring your own chair. Phil Miller will be discussing castings and related subjects. A-Line is also providing a picnic lunch as well. Please bring your usual donuts and a desert for after lunch. There will be a \$5.00 per person charge help offset A-Line costs. For those who, for some reason have not been to A-Line, a big supporter of the club, this is a great opportunity.

Now for August - The meeting will be up a Shorty's cabin and a demo by Wendell Ziegler to show us how he creates many of the small fun projects he does. The menu for lunch will be about the same as last year, ribs, chicken, corn, salad and watermelon. Deserts and donuts supplied by club members. Generally it is very quiet after lunch, people tend to get drowsy after eating so much. The sign up sheet will be available at the July meeting and the usual \$10 a person charge will be collected. If you cannot get to the July meeting contact one of the officers with your intention of going to Shorty's. We need to know as early as possible to order the right amount of food.

PS I'm letting you know the only injury at Nonskedalen was me, not Jim Frank, maybe he has broken his trend --- See you at A-Line

Clyde Cassell

### Programming News from Bob Raasch

This month's meeting is at A-Line Machine Tool Co, 800 Monitor Street in LaCrosse. Phil Miller will be discussing and demonstrating how to cast blanks using Aluminite (a urethane product) and turning. A-Line is making and serving lunch. I understand Jeff is outstanding on the grill, and will be the "grill chef". Club members are asked chip in \$5.00 at the meeting to help with cost. **Please bring a dessert**. Please bring a comfortable portable chair. A-Line has some chairs, but not enough for everyone. Weather permitting the event will be outside.

Clyde C and Bob R demonstrated woodturning at the Bethel Nursing Home in Viroqua on Friday June 14. It was a Father's Day theme; some bowls and pens were made and given out to the residents. The event was well attended by many residents, and they appeared to have enjoyed the demonstration. Clyde brought several items to show. Michael S was there to help coordinate, explain and share his insights with the residents. Thank you Michael for helping out.

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

The Coulee Region Woodturners had a booth at the Noskedalen Art Fair and Chocolate Soiree on July 7th. Several members were on hand to demonstrate and promote woodturning. There's a great collection of pictures from the day on our website, www.crwoodturner.com.

The August 17th meeting will again be at Shorty Mueller's near Alma. What a treat the day will bring at Shorty's cabin retreat in the woods. We'll start the morning with good conversation and donuts (attendees bring) to go with our club's wonderful coffee, oh so good in the early morning. Relaxing in woods, watching a fine turning demonstration by Wendell Ziegler and a wonderful lunch rounds out the day. Lunch will probably be consist of pork ribs, chicken, sweet corn, cole slaw, baked potatoes and wonderful desserts, of course, brought by the members attending. We'll have the usual beverages of regular and diet soda and water. Bob Raasch will have a signup sheet for the Shorty's event and will be collecting \$10 in advance for food and beverages at the July meeting. We need to collect in advance to get an accurate headcount and plan for food. What a deal great deal folks! As last year, car pooling will be available to leave Sam's parking lot in Onalaska.

September meeting tool raffle. A 3 piece Hunter ornament tool set, along with a few dried sea urchins will be going to the lucky winning ticket. Will start collecting at the July meeting. Our meeting demonstrator will be Duane Hill.

October meeting demonstrator will be Steve Sinner, a well known wood turning artisan from Bettendorf, Iowa. Steve will be demonstrating large hollow forms plus an afternoon session.

November meeting turning challenge - Wooden tops. Make spinning tops out of woods of your choice and design. 4 categories of turning experience: 0-2 yrs., 2-5 yrs, 5 yrs or greater. \$10 gift certificate for winner in each category. And, a Spin Off, oh what fun, with the top spinning the longest wins a \$10 gift certificate. Gift certificates good at A Line Machine Tool. Our demonstrator will be Greg Haugen.

February 2014 meeting turning challenge - "All Skewed Up! More information on that in the future.

The February demonstrator will be Alan Lacer from River Falls, Wisconsin. The cost for the general meeting to include Alan's demonstration will \$25 per attendee. This is an all day event, which includes an afternoon session. At the November meeting we will start to pre-sell Alan's hands on workshop for Sunday, Feb 15, held at A Line Machine Tool. A maximum of 8 members @ \$110 each collected in advance. If additional interest, we may also be able to have Alan for Monday, Feb 16, held again at A Line, a maximum of 8 members @ 110 each.

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### June Instant Gallery













# More June Meeting Memories

Odell Anderson



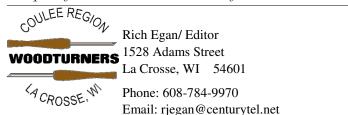








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#### "A Turn For the Better"

Our next meeting is Saturday, July 20th at 9:00 am. The meeting will be at A-Line Machine Tool Co. 800 Monitor Street, La Crosse 785-1515

A-Line will be grilling some lunch, and asks for a \$5 donation. Please bring something to pass as well as a chair, as there will be limited chairs available.

A-Line is located roughly between Menards and Copeland Ave. It's about where the red X is on the map. The VW dealership is next door to the West. There is some parking next to and behind the store. If you are able, please park across the street.



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