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Thanks to Phil Miller for a great demonstration at our July meeting!

Thanks also to our hosts, A-Line Machine Tool, for providing the space, as well as a fantastic lunch afterwards!

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

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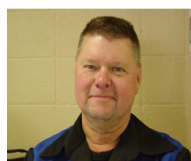


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The Prez Sez...

Greetings

It is now August, great weather to turn inside or out. Take your small lathe or big, if you are strong, to the porch, and enjoy the outside, it is great. Our July meeting went well, if for no other reason, I was not there. I Will have to get Duane a flashier pair of pants. Phil did a good demonstration, the day was a good time and A-Line hospitality was outstanding. When you go into A-line next time, give the people there a Thank You. On a sour note, Phil mentioned he was missing one of his cast pieces, so if anyone happens to come across it in their stuff, please see that it gets back.

On a bright note, the board wishes to announce that both professional turner demo slots are now filled. For Feb 2014 the skew master, Alan Lacer will be here for one day general demo and one or more days of hands on. For our July 2014 meeting, Jimmy Clewes, one day general demo and one or more days hands on. Alan is thought of as the skew master and Jimmy has been quoted to say, skews are good to open cans of finish. Should be a great contrast between the two.

Our Aug 2013 meeting will be up at Shorty's with a fun demo by Wendell Ziegler. It's a great picnic day and don't forget to bring your own chairs.

Several members have wondered if there is an outline for the board meeting, generally no. I make up a lose one before each meeting, it amounts to past club events, current and future topics, and topics that a board member or club member has to offer. The highlights of the Aug Board Meeting were: 1. Jimmy Clewes, as it took several months to square away. 2. A club member brought the topic of name tags that will be discussed further. Remember our board meeting notices go out to all members. We have light, heat and A/C so all are welcome.

It was brought up at the last meeting that our future monthly meeting and Norskedalen are on the same day. Our meeting will be held as usual and a small number of demonstrators will be at Norskedalen. If you wish to attend Norskedalen let Bob Raasch know.

It is getting toward officer election time again. Several of the board members are stepping down, President, VP, and Program Director. We need several members to step forward and take the reins. It doesn't matter if you are a seasoned turner or not, a long standing member or not, if you are interested let the board know. You can depend on getting a lot of advice from other club members. Do not forget the tool raffle and "top challenges" as they are open to all.

Looking forward to Wendell's demo and Shorty's cooking. See you all up North.

Clyde

Programming News from Bob Raasch

July's A Line meeting

The July's club meeting at A Line Machine Tool Company was wonderful. I'm sure we all enjoyed the camaraderie amongst the membership, mornings coffee and donuts and Phil's wonderful demonstration on casting Alumilite blanks and turning, and how to gracefully catch a "flying scale" (ya had to be there!). And, of course the wonderful grilling of brats and those tasty baked beans by Chef Jeff Manthey. And, of course can't forget the rest of the A Line crew as hosts for this event. Thanks guys.

As you may know, the July's meeting was Dean Zimmer and Dennis Racki's last event for making coffee, setting up the donuts, and cleaning up the hospitality area. Dean and Dennis have graciously served in this capacity for 3 months, well, really lasting for about 3 years. We really appreciate all that you do for the club, Dean and Dennis.

I'm told that Roger Peterson will be taking over the "coffee" role starting September. Thanks Roger for stepping up. As Roger leaves us for the winter (lucky guy), we are still in need of 2 others to share in the opportunity....that is if you want coffee in a timely, cheerful and reliable manner. Will a couple of members please step up!?

Some other notes to share with the membership:

Kevin Vossler does a marvelous job of capturing the gallery images, officer mug shots, and such at the events. Of course, Rich Egan often takes many pictures also. I have also seen Jim Frank do the same at events. Thank you guys.

Dean Zimmer, thanks for your help with bringing stuff to A Line from the club cage, and John Phillips and Dean for cleaning up and returning items to the club cage.

Duane Hill, thanks for your help with cleaning up, supplying the mic /speaker, obtaining the wonderful shells for the tool raffle, AND for making the announcements and conducting the gallery review at July's meeting.

Greg Haugen, thank you obtaining and bringing the Hunter tool set for us to look at for the tool raffle that will be conducted at the September meeting.

Rich Egan, thanks for bringing your powered speaker and mic to the July meeting.

Denis Falch, I really appreciate and thank you for all you do for the club; manning the table, greeting the members as they come in, collecting monies, and monitoring the sign up sheets and other stuff I'm not aware of. All are very essential tasks. You do a fantastic job on those!!

Clyde Cassell, I appreciate you bringing your tables to A- Line. They worked out very well.

John Griffiths, thanks for writing the checks at the July meeting, and keeping the collected Shorty's monies. Keeping track of the bucks is so essential, and you do a stellar job.

Phil Miller, I'm the sure club members enjoyed and benefited from the information and demonstration you shared with all of us today. Sounds like Aluminite is the safe way to cast pens. The members had lots of good questions to which you fielded answers very well. Thank you once again. Also, your granddaughter does very nice work. It was wonderful to have her share her joy of turning pens with you with to the members. You are indeed a blessed Grandpa as well as she is a lucky granddaughter to have you as her Grandpa!

I realize after doing this job for a while now that it takes many willing and engaged individuals to put these events on. This happens for each and every club meeting. I look forward to helping the "next guy" take over this job in 2014.

More Future Events

Great River Folk Fest, August 24-25 on the UW L campus grounds. This is another venue to promote the art and craft of woodturning and selling product. If you are interested in participating, make some shavings and bring your wares to the Fest to sell or demonstrate. If you plan to demonstrate, bring your own wood, sharp turning tools, and safety gear. We'll have 2 mini lathes set up.

September 21st meeting tool raffle. The raffle tool consists of 3 piece Hunter ornament tool set, along with a few dried sea urchins. We will be collecting the day of the raffle, the usual price of \$5 ticket. Someone is going to bring home a wonderful tool set. The meeting is back at the Onalaska Community Center. The day's demonstrator will be our own Duane Hill.

Norskedalen Threshing Bee, September 21, Coon Valley, WI. The event runs from 10 am to 4 pm. The Threshing Bee event is on the same day as our regular club meeting. So, if you are not planning on attending the club meeting, please consider attending the Threshing Bee. We would like to have 1 lathe, 2 shifts of 2 people each at the Bee. The shifts would be, 9am (to set up)-12:30pm and 12:30-4pm. This is a demo and sales event. Of course, the demonstrators can use a club lathe, safety shield and the like. You'll need your own wood, sharp tools and safety gear. I will send out sign up email for this event in a couple of weeks.

Maplewood Assisted Care, Viroqua, Saturday, October 12, 2013. The club demonstrated woodturning there last year. Lots of people from the community stopped by as we turned, and we gave away some small projects (mainly pens and small bowls). This event is part of a fundraiser for the facility. The time is 10 am -2:30 pm. We plan to have 2 lathes and 4-5 turners.

Jimmy Clewes is coming to town for the July 19, 2014 club meeting. The sessions will consist of a general club meeting, demonstration by Jimmy all day for \$25 per person. Also, there will be hands on sessions at A Line Machine Tool Co for a maximum of 8 people on Sunday, and possibly Monday depending on interest. Cost for each day will be \$110.

Of course, you all know that Alan Lacer is coming to town for the February 15, 2014 club meeting in the same fashion as above for Jim Clewes.

Shorty's Mueller's Cabin Retreat in the Woods event, northeast of Alma, WI. is coming up soon, Saturday, Aug 17. We all look forward to good fellowship, hot coffee and members brought donuts in the early morning, a wonderful turning demo by Wendell Ziegler as he turns small fun projects, and a delicious lunch. I believe we'll have pork ribs, chicken, sweet corn, cole slaw, baked potatoes or potato salad, watermelon and maybe other wonderful items. And of course delicious desserts brought by the attendees. We'll have the usual selection of bottled water, regular and diet sodas.

As of 8-4-13, we have 38 individuals signed up to take part in this annual fun and relaxing event in the woods.

Club members please bring: donuts (chocolate are always welcomed), dessert to pass, a comfortable chair, bug repellent as desired.

If you plan to car pool (parking is limited at Shorty's), meet at the Onalaska Sam's Club store parking lot at 7 am on Saturday.

There is a map included with this month's newsletter.

Shorty's address: Fire number 1470, County Highway S, Alma, WI 54610.

Directions To Shorty's

- 1). Take Highway 35 N to Alma. Continue on 35 N through Alma
- 2). Make a right on Highway 37 (approx. 1.6 miles from Alma Lock and Dam)
- 3). Go approx. 1.8 miles on 37 and make a right on County Road "S"
- 4). Proceed approx. 4.8 miles on "S". Note "S" is very windy and hilly.
- 5). At top of large hill, "S" makes a right, but there is a dirt road going straight (Fire No. 1470). Go onto dirt road. Shorty's place is about 1/4 mile down road.

Shorty, a HUGE thank you, in advance.



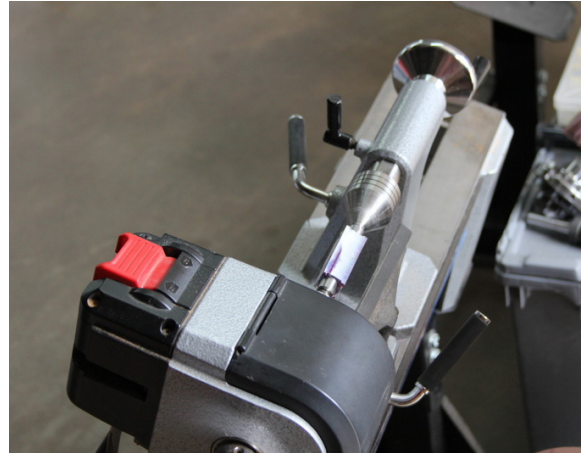
July Meeting Gallery



Denis Falch



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Phil Miller's blanks



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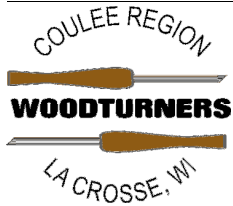
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"A Turn For the Better"



**Next Meeting
At Shorty Mueller's
Saturday,
August 17, 2013 at 9 am.**

**Next Meeting is a road trip
Saturday August 17 2013**

Here's a map to help those who aren't sure where we meet this time—at the Shorty Mueller Retreat, northeast of Alma. Address is:

**Fire number 1470
County Highway S
Alma, WI 54610**

It's the log cabin at the end of the dirt road at the top of the hill almost 5 miles from where the White School House used to be on Highway 37.

Look for the sign at the top of the hill on County Road S. If you get lost, God help you. There is no phone at this location.

