December was our year-end wrap meeting and pot luck. The weather was foul, but the brave ones who made it did not go home hungry. We start the new year welcoming Wendell Ziegler and his turned works of wonder!

Board Meeting Notes from Bob Raasch

1. The CRW Tool list and check out process will be placed in the library. The tools will be available for check-out at the next meeting. Please see Bob Raasch for assistance.

2. The accident insurance forms are being revised to reflect changing Ginny’s contact information to Kris Clough, our new club secretary. Please note that if you take part in CRW sponsored events, such as Mentoring Activities (helping someone in your home shop) and External CRW turning events such as nursing home, VA, homeschool demonstrations and workshops, etc., fill out the accident forms prior to the event. Please be aware that if you choose not to fill out the accident forms and you get injured during the event, you won’t be able to obtain accident insurance compensation for your injuries. The plan covers medical costs not covered by your primary health insurance up to the policy limits, which are $25,000 for Hospital and Professional Service Benefits, and $10,000 for Accidental Death and Dismemberment Benefit. There is a $100 deductible for claims. See the CRW website, under the Members heading, then members insurance info, for additional information.

3. A huge thank you to the 2016 club officers for jobs well done; Ginny Wintersteen, our club secretary for the past 2 years, John Girffiths, club president – the past year, Gary Frie-mann, club treasurer, and Adrian Novak, program director. And, of course the club’s technical advisors, Rich Egan-newsletter editor, Ken Grunke-webmaster, Jack Fitzpatrick- assistant librarian, Joe Baker-librarian, Virginia Green-acting librarian, Kevin Vossler- club photographer, John Phillips-tool czar and Denis Falch- club meeting welcome, greeter and attendance main-tainer. If I left out anyone, please accept my apology.

4. The club officers for 2017 are President- Adrian Novak, VP- Bob Raasch, Secretary- Kris Clough, Treasurer-Phil Miller, and Program directors Jim Frank and Duane Hill. We look forward to another good year in 2017.
CRW Mission Statement: To promote, to educate, and to inspire ourselves and others in the fine art of turned wood.

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From a Knot in The Board...

It is January and a new year. That means a new Board of Directors for the Coulee Region Woodturners. I would like to thank everyone who served on last years board and for all the service that they have given the club. I am writing this on Saturday the 7th of January prior to going to Bob Sanders funeral. Bob enjoyed wood turning and coming to the club meetings and functions. We will miss Bob. Rest in peace.

We had our first board meeting and the members have a commitment to increasing our membership and offer programs to our members that will help us improve our skill. Some of the items we are working on are:
- Putting together a lending lathe and tools for our new members to use.
- A list of Specialty Tools for members to use. Liability release to protect the club. Reviewing our Bylaws in order to form a LLC (Limited Liability Corporation) Then applying for a 501(3)c federal non-profit status.

We are working with Aline to bring back once a month turning demonstrations to publicize the club and gain new members. More information at the January 21 meeting.

I plan on seeing all of you on the 21st to see Wendell Ziegler’s demonstration on turning tops, mushrooms and other small items.

Adrian
Craft Supplies Order

If you have any problems with your Craft Supplies order, contact Duane Hill, NOT Craft Supplies. Also the majority of back ordered stuff has come in. There still are a few items on back order. Also if you have not paid for your order, send your payment to our new treasurer Phil Miller, checks made out to Coulee Region Woodturners. We will have orders ready to distribute at the next meeting.

CRW 2017 Calendar

January 21 Meeting Wendell Ziegler Tops Mushrooms and other small objects
February 18 Meeting Lyndal Anthony The Art of the Cut
March 18 Meeting Mark Palma Coloring and Finishing
April 15 Meeting Jim Frank Vases
September 16 Meeting Stuart Batty Professional
September 17&18 Hands-On with Stuart Batty
Subject to change due to health and availability

Hello everyone,
The revised insurance forms are now active on the CRW website. The most significant revision is updating the secretary designation to Kris Clough.

1. Please note that that filling out the appropriate accident form is the process that would be used to verify to the insurance company that the CRW member was indeed present during the scheduled, authorized meeting and also to be aware that if you choose not to fill out the accident forms and you get injured during the event, you won’t be able obtain compensation for your injuries under the CRW accident insurance plan.

2. The CRW accident plan does not cover injuries if you are working solo in your shop. The accident coverage is available if you are mentoring individuals in your shop or someone else's shop OR are partaking in an external club activity such as nursing home demos, VA demos and the like, or CRW scheduled events that may be at A Line for example. When you sign in at the regular Saturday meetings, that sign in sheet verifies your attendance for the purposes of accident coverage.

3. Accident coverage is available to paid up CRW members only. We're into a new year, so if you're dues are not paid up for 2017, and you get hurt, no accident coverage. Also note that if a nonmember, (a friend, neighbor, great uncle etc.), gets injured in your home shop, your home insurance may cover some costs.

For club members new to the club within the last year or two, please see the insurance information on the website http://www.crwoodturner.com/members.shtml
Open the link to Members Insurance Info, then Brief Directions. The Document of Understanding link provides background information. I recommend you read that document to better understand the insurance plan. If you do get injured, you'll need to contact our carrier (agent name and contact info located back of Document of Understanding) within 30 days of the occurrence or sooner if possible.

I wish to thank our webmaster, Ken Grunke for posting the updated info for me.

Thanks.

Bob Raasch
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I have a bit of an article. About two sentences.

Many will remember that Kris Clough gave a demo at the January 2016 meeting on making a sewing kit. I observed one granddaughter hand sewing her ballet shoes not long ago, so I made a sewing kit for her and her sister since both are in dance. Nice little easy-to-make projects that were satisfying to make and well received by teen age girls. (Any time you can give a gift a teenager likes, you automatically feel good.) I made a third which I will bring to the January meeting. An extension of that will be to try Kris's idea to modify a cheap discount store seam ripper, replacing the plastic with wood.

Well Rich, like always, I got long winded, six sentences. John Griffiths

Hello all,

A few years ago I was given a beautiful segmented bowl by my sister and brother in law. The significance of this bowl is that it was started but a fellow woodworker in Caracas Venezuela. When he was turning it his tenon had broke and was unsure how to fix it. I had brought it to a meeting a while back to talk with others on the best way to try and fix it.

Fast forward to this fall I finally had built up enough courage to attempt to fix this work of art. I am happy to say that I was in fact able to fix it. I had brought it back into the house and told my wife that I think that even though I loved the piece that was given to me, it belonged back home in Venezuela.

My Sister and her husband were going back to Venezuela for the holidays and I asked if they could deliver the bowl to him. I also asked that they make it a surprise for him. Needless to say the joy it brought to him to see his project finished absolutely made my day.

Daniel Erickson
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Next Meeting
Saturday,
January 21 2016 at 9 am.

Here’s a map to help those who aren’t sure where we meet. It’s the Onalaska Community Center 515 Quincy St Onalaska, WI 54650 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.

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