

One Good Turn

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Next Meeting Saturday—September 16—9:00 AM

We are meeting at Luther High School in Onalaska. This month the meeting will be in the woodshop. Entrance thru main door or the door under the drop off into the main hallway. We will be setting up the AV on Friday the 15th. 7 pm - 8:30 if you would like to help. We will also need help tearing the AV down after the meeting and would appreciate help.

CRW Activities Schedule

Sep. 16	Rich Egan Club Challenge	Offset Turning Whimsical Item
Oct. 21	Jay Johnson	Penmaking
Nov. 11	Mark Palma Club Challenge	TBD (Remember, second weekend) Piece with moving parts
Dec. 16	Round Robin	Christmas Party Potluck

Some topics for discussion

After working on sorting and labeling equipment at the cage, here are a few ideas for members to consider:

1. Sell or offer to members old, obsolete, or unusable Club equipment, including AV equipment.
2. Keep the three most recent years of each periodical on the library cart. Consider transferring older issues to members or donating to a public library.
3. Archive club meeting DVD's over 3 years old.
4. Organize books and DVD's by topic to facilitate members using them.

Do we need to continue recording club meeting demos? There does not seem to be much interest in checking them out and the recording process is cumbersome to the AV setup and execution.

Just some thoughts to ponder for the next meeting.

FOUND IN THE WOOD CHIPS UNDER MY LATHE - from John Griffiths

Good day members. I am writing this on a beautiful autumn afternoon. The kind of days we will be begging for in a few months. I swept under my lathe and found the most interesting things, and here they are.

We had a wonderful demonstration last month. Lyndal Anthony, from the Platteville club, gave a very informative and inspiring demo about hollowing.

He brought many hollowing tools, most using a Hunter cutter set at varying angles mounted in the boring bar. He showed the use of many styles of cutters and discussed how they attack the wood and how they can be kept from self-feeding, a common problem many of us have encountered with Hunter tools. Hunter cutters cut the wood, as opposed to scraping which is how the Easy Wood Tools work. He said his latest design uses cutter angles that are relatively easy to use and don't tear up the inside of your piece.

A related topic was the use of a Negative Rake scraper to finish the inside of a hollow form. The beauty of a negative rake scraper is that it does NOT want to cut, so judicious use of them will take off the high spots and tear out while leaving the good stuff intact, so one may end up with a nice inside surface. I have a curved scraper on the end of a tool that the late Jim Frank built and sold. It will run nicely with that cutter ground to a negative rake. You will be seeing the results in a future Instant Gallery.

A bonus topic was the discussion of how he applies color to the outside of his hollow forms. He uses an air brush with acrylic artist paint over bare wood then coats with polyurethane while turning slowly in the lathe.

He was an informative speaker who provided a ton of knowledge in an engaging and inspiring way. Those who did not attend missed one of our best meetings in a while. We had both TV sets placed so all could see, Duane did a masterful job running the cameras from our new AV cart (thank you Pam for making it) and the sound worked well too. Thanks to members who showed up Friday evening to set up. The plan came together well. We did the Instant Gallery first and introduction of new members, then the demo.

So if you are wondering if the meetings are worth attending, you betcha. Don't miss the next ones coming up.

September will feature Rich Egan demonstrating offset turning. Rich is a master turner and he creates great tunings. Our club challenge will be (drum roll) whimsical items, and what better way to create something whimsical than offset turning? So make a challenge piece, attend the meeting and enjoy the fellowship.

An essential topic for September will be nomination of officers so there will be an important business meeting as well. All offices are up for election. Most of the day to day business of the club is handled by the board at monthly Zoom meetings so it is relatively easy to be a board member. Kris and I will not be running for reelection. Please consider becoming a board member.

In October Jay Johnson will share everything he knows about pen turning. He too is a master. November is the month we have our meeting on second Saturday so as to interfere with the Minnesota deer season, not the Wisconsin one. Our professional turner will be Mark Palma. He is the most entertaining guest we have, always dispensing wisdom and humor. He and I have not yet discussed the topic, but he has several new topics every year.

December we will have a round robin demo and our Christmas party. One word of warning: I am looking for some round robin demonstrators so if you can, please volunteer to myself or any board member. Round robins are always fun.

Thanks for reading all the way through this.

John

Demo Follow-up - from John Griffiths

I spent some time poking around Lyndal Anthony's website today. He has a lot of informative things on it. Way too much to publish in the newsletter.

Here is a link to his site — MidwestWoodArt.com

MidwestWoodArt.com to review his technical stuff and videos and gallery.

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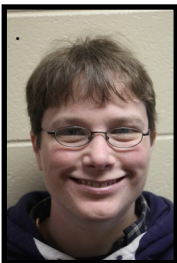
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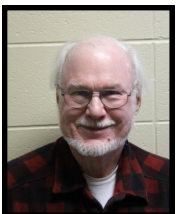
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Next Meeting

Saturday

September 16, 2023

Here's a map to help those who aren't sure where we meet. It's the Luther High School Shop. 1501 Wilson St, Onalaska, WI, 54650
608-783-5435

We'll start the program promptly at 9 am, so get there early to avoid getting a Uecker Seat.

We'll have coffee, so Chocolate donuts are ALWAYS Welcomed.

