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Next Meeting
Thursday, June 10, 2010

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The President's Chatter

Would someone call off this rain! At first I thought that the rainy days were going to allow me to stay in the garage more and tinker around. I didn't expect the humidity. Wow. Is anyone other than me noticing this? What is it going to do to the wood I am drying and my partially completed projects? Aye!

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the meeting on June 10. Since we have all been busy working in our shops, I wonder if anyone besides me has built up a little pile of wood for the wood raffle. Susie will be happy to see that I am cleaning up there and I know it is going to a good cause – the club.

The Steam Up at Brooks is nearly upon us. I know that Bruce had the signup sheet at the last meeting and there are some names. If you weren't able to attend last month, you might consider looking at the back table for the signup sheet at the June 10 meeting. I have heard that we are also putting out some signup sheets for the State Fair as well. You can sign up for both if you like. I remember going to my first demonstration with less than a year of experience. It was a fantastic time and well received by our audiences. I didn't need to know much, (and some might say I still don't), because the people who want to watch have probably never done any turning either. Don't hesitate to sign up if you have never done something like this. You will really enjoy yourself.

I haven't heard about a special at the 50+ Café, but I know that they are going to make a special effort to be open during our meeting. You can get something to eat before the meeting if you are like me and coming straight from work. I'll see you June 10th.

Let the chips *FLY*!!

Jon

Club Business

Current & Upcoming Events



June (Thursday, June 10, 2010)

JIM HALL will show us the process of adding straight and spiral fluting to turned objects.



July (Thursday, July 8, 2010)

PHIL LAPP will turn a natural edge bowl from wood brought to the meeting by club members. Bring a nasty looking hunk of wood with a natural edge and see what kind of a treasure Phill can make from it. Remember, the timber needs to be small enough to fit the club lathe. This demonstration will be both fun and informative.

August (Thursday, Aug. 12, 2010)

ED GLENN is the author of Turning Custom Duck and Game Calls. He is going to cover the making of segmented calls including materials, methods and finishing.

Membership Rewards (sorry, available to club members only)

LIBRARY

A friendly reminder to members with books and /or videos checked out from the library. Please return them at this next meeting.

Wood Gathering

Sign-up sheets will be available to indicate your availability to help with wood gathering. Anyone who learns of a tree or log that is available to the club should notify Jerry Lelack (503 510-1577) or Bob Hutchinson (503

508-3279). The intent is to gather wood, process it to usable pieces, store it at the home of Terry Gerros', and then make it available to members. Terry can be reached at 503 580-5013.

Jerry Lelack is still hoping for donations of mini-lathe size rounds, oblongs, or squares of any type of wood that will be used as gifts to new members – some way to get them started in the world of wood turning.

From Terry....People need to come get some of the wood that is being stored here. There is English walnut, chinaberry, black locust, birch and cherry. First come, first choice. You are invited to come anytime M-F between 9-5pm, Saturday 9-5pm. The wood pile is continuing to grow so please come and take your share. Drive behind the clinic and take as much as you like, cherry pick, be greedy, but come and get some wood. Those of you bringing wood....Call and schedule the drop off with me before you arrive. Remember this storage is for harvested wood only. Do not under any circumstances bring wood from your wood pile and leave at my place.

Terry Gerros is currently selling turning blanks for a friend. The blocks are at wholesale price or below and consist primarily of figured walnut (both claro and english). The blocks are dried and waxed, ready to turn to the finished product. Also available are stabilized pen blanks (figured maple, speckled maple, myrtlewood, buckeye burl), bottle stoppers (buckeye burl), and spindle stock of varying sizes and types of wood. I do not make a penny on these sales. You are welcome to come see the wood and purchase on Saturdays, please call to make sure I am available.

All bowl blanks are 3" thick give or take a bit, and are both english and claro walnut, some have both types grafted together, lots of fiddleback, marbling. These blocks are cut from gunstock material. Some maple pieces are available. Will be expecting more maple, buckeye burl and myrtlewood in the future.

Pricing is as follows:

4 x 4.....\$2.00	8 x 8.....\$8.00
5 x 5.....\$3.50	9 x 9.....\$10.00
6 x 6.....\$4.50	10 x 10..\$12.00
7 x 7.....\$6.00	11 x 11..\$14.00

I also have the following: Stabilized pen blanks...3/4 x 3/4 x 5 \$2.50 each

Bottle stoppers.....3/\$1.00

I also have large blocks of figured and spalted maple now available.

Workshops / Presentations

Sawdust Sessions

A sawdust session is an opportunity for hands-on learning. Those who have a portable lathe are asked to bring them and an appropriate chuck. The club has one portable lathe that will be available. We expect to share the lathes so that all who want to turn will get some lathe time. Any member is welcome to come and bring tools to work with or projects that are causing you a problem. Help will be available. Normally a sawdust session will not involve a formal presentation such as we have at monthly meetings. I urge new members to come. It is a great way to meet other members and develop your turning skills.

My First Sawdust Session (Gary McGuire):

I have had different fellow turners out to my shop from time to time, but have never had a sawdust session. Then came the call from Bruce, asking me if I would consider having one. I have always said I would help the club in any way I could if there was a need. Now I get to back up my words. We did have a sawdust session on Natural Edge Bowls at my shop. Five guys showed up on a Tuesday and we had a blast. Everyone made a natural edge bowl and I think we all learned something along the way. But most of all we All had a Great time. I do believe Troy went home with the biggest smile. Words can't say how happy I am that I said Yes to

Bruce and had the first of many Mid-week Saw Dust sessions. Maybe you can come to the next one or better yet maybe you can host a Saw Dust Session at your shop. They don't need to be big gatherings; in fact I think we may have had more fun with a smaller group. Remember, we will never accomplish anything without You. This is volunteer organization so if you are not happy with the way things are going become part of the solution. This might be a good time to remind you to talk up our December Auction to your friends. It is the best place around to get gifts.

See you soon,
Gary



Eli Avisera will present a two day workshop on July 22 and 23. If you are not familiar with his exquisite work please look around his web sight. www.avisera.co.il/

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Supplies

The club purchases a few supplies in bulk and sells it to members at club cost. We routinely have superglue (\$5), black or brown superglue (\$10) accelerator (\$6) and Anchor Seal (\$10/gal). Recently the club purchased a small supply of half round protractors (\$6) used to measure the angle ground on a tool, HSS rods (\$3) 1/4" x 8" used to make the round skewers demonstrated by Bill McCoy at the October meeting, and depth gauge (\$5). Bob Quadros will have the resale items still available at the meeting. Please bring the correct change for the items you want.

Club Member Discounts

From Terry Gerros: Club orders will be going out June and August, as I will be gone part of July. If you care to order in June, have it to me soon, as the order will be placed Monday, June 14. If our order equals or exceeds \$1,000, Craft Supply gives us a 13% discount plus free shipping. If you order from the sales items, you will receive the club discount in addition to the sale discount, making many items available at very attractive prices.

Terry Gerros has a Trend Airshield Pro on sale for \$275.00. Current Craft Supply price is \$379.00, less 13% your price would be \$329.73. Terry's was purchased in November, 2009 and has been used very little.

Club members are registered with Klingspor's Woodworking Shop at www.woodworkingshop.com or 800-228-0000, they have your name and will give you a 10% discount.

Hartville Tool will give club members a 20% discount for the next year and a 15% discount after that: www.hartvilletool.com or 800-345-2396

If you show your club card at checkout time to the cashier at Woodcraft in Tigard they will give you a 10% discount (may not apply to some machinery).

Exotic wood is offering a discount of 15% off any orders placed at: www.exoticwoodsusa.com . (This includes sale items and free shipping on orders over \$300). Use promo code ewusaAAW

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