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Next Meeting
Thursday, January 12, 2012

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Chip Chatter

Important Notice Membership dues of \$30.00 (includes family membership) for 2012 were due by January 1, 2012.

Late payment costs the club time and resources and makes it more difficult to maintain the roster and plan activities. If you have not yet paid your dues please do so either by mail or at the club meeting.

As you have probably guessed, the dessert/auction was a big success. The club last year received \$1652 on 62 items and the raffle netted \$160 for a total of \$1812. This year there were 70 items auctioned off, auction sales were \$2813, total raffle proceeds were \$184, for total receipts of \$2997, which represents about a 55% increase over last year.

Thanks to all of you who contributed to the great dessert table. And a special thanks to those who contributed the 70 turned pieces that were auctioned and to those who purchased those pieces. I would like to particularly thank Tom Balsbaugh and Troy Mullens who each contributed multiple items to the auction and to the Rick Lyle family who bid against each other during the auction. The treasury is in great shape to support the club program in 2012.

This month we are fortunate to have Nick Cook as our meeting demonstrator. Nick is in high demand as a teacher. He teaches and demonstrates at his studio, universities, craft schools, and woodworking shows throughout the US, Australia, and New Zealand. In addition to the demo at the club meeting, He will also be giving an all-day demo on Friday, and a two day

hands on workshop on Saturday and Sunday. The all-day demo is \$20.00 and the workshop is \$195.00. Please sign up at the meeting or give me a call and I will add your name to the list.

I would like to welcome a new member.

Paul Hirt and his wife Donna, from Salem

Keep the chips flying

Bruce Strangeby, President

2012 DUES are DUE, so DO it.... NOW

I would first like to thank the 62 members who have completed a 2012 Membership form and paid their 2012 dues by the December 31, 2011 deadline.

For those of you who have not yet renewed your membership, you have until the meeting on January 12th to get it done if you want to be included on the membership list sent to vendors for the discounts they offer. We normally send a current membership roster to vendors only once a year. If you don't get on the membership list now you run the risk missing out. If you buy only \$300 of supplies this year from our preferred vendors (at their normal 10% discount to WVV members), it is enough to pay your dues. Besides there are other valuable benefits of current membership as well, such as; use of our extensive club library, participating in club sponsored activities, ordering from Craft Supply USA on the club's monthly order which saves an additional 13% and no shipping, and I am sure many other good reasons.

So, if you haven't paid your dues for 2012, please take a moment to do it now. Complete a renewal form (attached) and mail it to Elling Hoem, WVV Treasurer, TODAY or complete a renewal form and bring it to the January 12th meeting. If you bring it to the January 12th meeting, please put your completed form and check in an envelope with your name on the outside and give it to Elling.

Thank you and let's make this the best year ever for your Willamette Valley Woodturners.

**Elling Hoem
WVV Treasurer**

Club Business

Current & Upcoming Events



January Demonstration (Thursday, January 12, 2012)

Presenter, Nick Cook

Nationally known wood turner Nick Cook lives in Marietta, Georgia, where he owns and operates his studio. He grew up around his father's woodworking equipment and became interested in the art of woodturning in the mid-70s after several years in furniture design and manufacture.

A founding member of the American Association of Woodturners, Nick served six years on the board of directors, including one as vice president.

In addition to creating one-of-a-kind pieces and his staple gift items, Nick teaches and lectures on various woodturning topics, has written articles for several woodworking magazines, and produced two woodturning videos.

Friday All Day Demo:

Nick will be turning between 15 - 20 projects on Friday, giving you lots of ideas for your own projects and sharing tips and techniques. It will definitely be a packed day of turning giving you the opportunity to learn from a nationally recognized turner.

Saturday/Sunday Workshop:

This two day workshop will be packed with learning both between center work and faceplate work. We will be using all the tools commonly used in turning, so if you want to learn more about a particular tool, this is the class for you. You will leave this workshop with loads of improved skills and many completed projects. The class is geared for both the new and experienced turner. All levels of skill are welcome. To get an idea of what will be covered, go to www.nickcookwoodturner.com, go to instruction, then scroll down to Basic one-on-one. Lots of projects to do.

In early February, we are trying to organize a Sawdust Session on sharpening jigs and systems. This will be held at Terry Gerros' shop, on a Saturday to be determined (we are still in the organizing process). This is not a session on how to sharpen, but more along the lines of what is available for sharpening. So far we have Tormek system, Oneway Wolverine, and the Sorby Pro Edge to show. Those of you who have another system and would like to join in the fracas please send Terry an email...gerrost@yahoo.com



February Demonstration (Thursday, February 9, 2012)

Presenter, Bruce Stangeby

Topic: Small end-grain bowls on stands

Locally known (well at least a couple people know him), Bruce is recognized for his small end-grain bowls on stands, commonly known as goblets. He is the current President of our club and has recently demonstrated the Beaver State Woodturners in Eugene. A self proclaimed tool junkie and wood hoarder, Bruce is commonly found in the company of his wife, bowling on Tuesday morning, instead of spending time at the lathe. Not that it has anything to do with woodturning, but I thought you might like to know.

Sawdust Session:

March Demonstrator: Larry Miller

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.

From Terry Gerros: Hey all, as many of you know Mike Smith and I hauled a small boat load of wood to SWAT at the end of August. Many of you took advantage and bought some blanks from Mike. Before we left, I talked Mike into leaving a number of turning blanks to sell to the members of our club. Currently I have Ambrosia maple, Honey Locust, Mineral stained Poplar and a few other species available. There are some really nice blanks available in many different sizes. Mike also has left several sections of Maple burl logs. The log sections are at my place and have the price painted on them. If you have an interest, let me know and we can make arrangements for you to come by and take a look. I have a chainsaw large enough to cut these log sections so you can handle them. They are loaded with burls and you won't be disappointed. Give me a call on my cell: 503-580-5013.

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) $\frac{1}{4}$ " 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 on **January 16th**. 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.
- 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
- Gilmer Wood now offers our club a 10% discount on purchases made there. If you haven't been to Gilmers, it is well worth the trip to Portland, if only to make your mouth water and make you cry if you leave empty handed.
- North Wood Figured Wood can be viewed at North Woods Figured Wood. Here's our website www.nwfiguredwoods.com . Please take a look! We're happy to offer you our courtesy 15% discount. Anyone from our club can simply type in "WOODTURNERS" at check out to receive the sale price. No minimum purchase. We've got beautiful Big Leaf Maple, Black Locust, Madrone, White Oak, Ash, Elm and Yew.....turning blanks, slabs, burls and lumber.

WILLAMETTE WOODTURNERS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE November 10, 2011 MEETING

This meeting was not a normal meeting with a schedule. We had a swap meet between members and some members then gave "tips" of things they do in their shop to make some things easier.

The December meeting will be the annual auction and members are encouraged to donate to the auction. There will be no minutes for the December meeting.

Board Meeting 11-16-12/7:00 PM

The Board meeting was attended by: Bruce Stangeby, President, Terry Gerros, Vice President, Rick Lyle, Secretary, Eling Hoem, Treasurer, Pete Peterson, Dave Hanselman, and Bob Hutchenson.

The main topic of discussion was the possible purchase of a new club lathe. There have been problems with the current lathe as noted by most of our demonstrators. The club is financially sound and there is money enough to purchase a new lathe. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the problems with the current lathe and what it might take to repair or fix those problems. Bruce will pursue that possibility.

Regarding the purchase of a new lathe Bruce reported that Terry Gerros will be writing a grant to be submitted to the AAW to possibly be awarded \$1500 toward the purchase of the new lathe.

There was also discussion regarding how to entice more members to take the workshops offered by our demonstrators. Cost was discussed and determined that this might be the main issue regarding not many members participating in the workshops.

There was brief discussion regarding the qualifications for Life Membership and the qualification to be a mentor. Life members have to turn 80 years old and be a member in good standing for at least the last five years. Mentors have basically no qualifications and are mainly in a volunteer position.

The meeting was closed by President Stangeby.

Presented by:
Rick Lyle, Secretary

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