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Next Meeting

The meeting for April will be held Thursday the 13th at the Leisure Living Construction building 2700 Stone Gate Court, Hiawatha Iowa at 6:30 P. M.

Several months ago Mike Gadberry brought a bowl of turned fruit to the meeting as a show and tell project. Everyone was interested in how he turned the items and this month we are going to find out. Mike is going to do a demonstration on turning the fruit pieces as well as showing off a sit down bench he made for his lathe from plans in a 2008 issue of American Woodturner. His lathe is a Jet 1236 and he has taken it off the stand it came with and mounted it on a the sit down lathe stand. There will be an opportunity to try it out.

Annual Picnic

This years picnic will be at the shop of Tom and Stacy Nehl. 1008 Rolling Glen Dr. in Marion. There will be maps at the next meeting and a link is on the website. We will start with an open turning session about 12:30 or so and then at about 3:30 we will start the picnic. Bring your own tools and face shield and any questions you have about anything.

Bring a side dish to share and your own table service. The club will provide the meat and soft drinks.

We will have a silent auction with a selection of wood from Johnson Wood Products and some other donated wood.

Last Meeting

Last month Lance Zook presented a demo on sharpening. What to use and how to use it were some of the topics talked about. Lance started out with the basic goals of tool sharpening, getting the bevel angle correct for the type of turning you are doing and the tool you are



using. He also talked about the need to hone the edge of the sharpened tool, especially the skew. The use of jigs for sharpening was cussed as well as modifications to them for special situations. Sharpening jigs make it easier to maintain the same bevel angle on a

tool consistently and removes less metal from the tool per sharpening. There are jigs and templates to help set the sharpening jig to a specific angle however Lance suggests using the grind that came with your tool and showed how to set the jig to do this. With the Wolverine



jig that the club has and many others of the same design. For a gouge, the distance from the wheel the pocket for the tool holder is set will determine the wing angle and the ad-



"As the Wood Turns"! Or "As the Burl Turns" September 2012

As the hot humid weather slips away, we can look forward to some great fall weather, perfect for turning and honing your skills. Those skills and techniques were definitely top notch, as club member donations for Woodfest 2012 were plentiful and quite outstanding. So outstanding that sales of the items were able to cover the Woodfest booth

Bruce Kruse cost plus deposit money into the treasury. Total sales of turnings were in excess of \$700.00. Thanks to everyone's assistance in providing donations and time on site during the event. I hope you enjoyed the event as much as I did. There was a lot of great talk and interaction between club members and the public.

Next Board Meeting is September 20, 2012 at Hardee's on BlairsFerry and Center Point Rd NE.

The CWT Picnic is September 23, 2012. Tom and Stacy Nehl have opened their shop and home at 1008 Rolling Glen Drive, Marion, IA to host the picnic. Details of the picnic are outlined later in this newsletter.

Our September Program is Turning Fruit – Mike Gadberry

The Project of the Month for September is – Anything you have recently turned!

We should have some interesting raffle items this month so hopefully you'll have a little extra change to spend to get some needed or wanted items!

If you are aware of any program possibilities, please do not hesitate to forward the information to one of the CWT Board Members.

I look forward to seeing you on Thursday Night!

As Always - Happy Turning! Bruce A. Kruse

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Kevin Bierman – Pecan-Antique Oil-POM



John Cox-Sycamore-Wipe on Poly- POM



Glen Hunt-S&T



Don Coleman-S&T



Terry Galvin-POM



Bill Kalkbrenner-Cocobolo-S&T

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Bruce Kruse-Butternut-Wipe on poly-POM



David Kesler-S&T



Glenn Hunt-S&T



Don Coleman-S&T



Meet the Members

This months meet the member is Ed Kalous Ed was a machinist for many years.

What got you interested in turning? I like working with wood and when I would go to craft shows and see all the things that were being made I thought this would be something that I would enjoy doing after retirement.

How long have you been turning? I have been turning for about 10 years and I keep learning what to do and what not to do to keep me out of trouble.

What types of things do you like to turn or turn the most? Some of the things I turn are bowls, pens, bats for the grand kids, and lidded boxes. That keeps me pretty busy.

What type or size or brand of lathe do you have? The lathes that I have are a Grizzly Model G1067Z (14" by 40" swivel-head and a Carba-Tec 4SE Mini Model CML4SE).

Do you have any special tools that help you produce the turnings that you like to do? I own the basic tool set and added a 1/2" bowl gouge

What *type of sharpening scheme do you use? Freehand or jig?* Purchased or home made? I sharpen all my tools by hand.

Do you have a finishing product that you prefer? I finish projects with friction polish, salad bowl finish, and wipe on poly. I always give them about 3 coats of finish.

What do you do with your turnings, sell, give away, collect dust, display in your home? Most of my turnings I give to family and friends. I don't sell anything. After giving away the things a thank you that is all that is needed. I know I made someone happy. I have other interest like making toys for tots during Christmas. It is very rewarding.

Is there any type of turning or project that you would like to try that you think would be interesting or challenging? One item I would like to do are segmented bowls.

Has being a member of the Corridor Woodturners been a valuable experienced for you?

At first I was not sure how to use the tools. So started looking at the Internet, looking at DVD's, reading some books from the club library I began turning and found it was very enjoyable. Being a member of the turning club has been very helpful. If things didn't go well with some of my turnings I would ask some of the members and they would tell me what to do. So if anyone has any trouble with something just ask a member they are sure to help

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justment on the tool holder will the angle of the bevel. Initially this will be a back and forth adjustment between the two settings until they correspond to the grind on the tool. If after using this grind for a while and you understand what it does and or what its limitations are you can reset the jig to get the grind you feel is best for you and the cuts you are making. The special tool holder is not necessary to sharpen a



gouge. The flat tool holder can be set to the desired angle and the tool laid flat on it n a rolled f r o m side to side sharpen

the tool. The grinder wheel should be dressed to remove built up metal which will make the wheel less efficient and build up more heat during the sharpening process. A small amount of heat generated bluing on a high speed steel tool is not a problem but on a carbon steel tool it is a definite no-no. Safety during grinding is very important because there is quite a bit of grit and sparks coming off of the wheel. Eye and breathing protection are very important during this process. Never use the side of the wheel during the grinding process. The wheels are not made to be used this way and they may fracture. Wheels with chips or chunks out of them must be dressed, if the chip is small, or thrown away to avoid a very messy exploding wheel with pieces flying in all directions at high speed.

Project of the Month

Project of the month for this month is anything you have turned in the past month. Everyone has a chance at the monthly prize this time.

Woodfest

A big thank you to all the members who contributed to the Woodfest effort. The three day event was larger and



better attended than in the two previous years which is no doubt part of the reason the club did so well with sales of donated items. As noted in the president's message we covered the cost of the booth space and then some. We also had the opportunity to talk to many people who were interested in turning and possibly joining the club. There were many "children of all ages" who enjoyed and bought the tops that were turned during the event. It is very rewarding to see the joy and enthusiasm in the children's eyes as they spun the tops and tried to get as many as possible going at one time. Many thanks to the top turners, Greg Ellyson, Harvey Jeck, John Cox, Bruce Kruse, Jim Bodin and others for their efforts. Lance Zook made several long stemmed goblets that were a source of interest and amazement to the many who came by and watched the progress during their production. Greg also made some natural edged bowls from wet wood that were a big draw. The long spirals of wood coming off the tool held a great fascination for many in the crowd and they were eagerly snapped up when they were finished. Don and Ruth Coleman were a big help manning the booth on Sunday. Tom and Stacy Nehl provided the trailer and other support getting the materials to and from the Amana site from the club site at Leisure Living. In addition to interacting with the folks who attended the event the club members who manned the booth learned a few things from each other. Bruce had a couple of tools he made for hollowing that were given a road test during the show and even some of critiques given them were refined and brought back for another try.

This is a great event to watch other club members turn and observe their techniques and learn from them. We must have had some impact on those who come to the show to exhibit because there were three or four booths with turnings on display.

For Sale

Have something for sale? Let the club members know about it here. Get the info to John Cox to be added to the next newsletter

David Kesler has a #1 Morse taper pen mandrel (Penn State Industry's PKM-ELC) for sale - \$15 OBO. Unopened package, Penn State charges \$16.95 before shipping. Contact David at the meeting or at dhkesler@gmail.com

Dues Structure and Meeting Attendance Policy

Club dues are:

\$25.00 per year for an General membership. \$30.00 per year for a Family membership \$100.00 per year for a Supporting membership.

Potential members may attend two meetings as a guest then must either join the club or pay 1/4 of the current general membership fee to attend a regular meeting.