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Next Meeting

The meeting for October will be held Thursday the 11th at the Leisure Living Construction building 2700 Stone Gate Court, Hiawatha Iowa at 6:30 P.M.

With the Holiday season and the Blairs Ferry True Value Tree promotion for Camp Courageous on the horizon the thought of tree ornaments comes up once again. We have had members show various ways to make ornaments for the past several years, this year it is going to be a video by Rex Burnham and Kip Christianson. They are instructors at Craft Supplies and will show their method of making a sea urchin ornament and a bell box ornament.

Project of the Month

The project of the month for this month will be a piece of turned fruit. For next month it will be a ornament.

The BFTV tree will be set up in October and they will be accepting ornaments during the month. This year will be any ornament with no special theme and the yellow tree from last year has been done away with.

There are only three ways to become an accomplished woodturner, and they are practice, practice, and more practice.

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Last Meeting

Last month Mike Gadberry did a presentation on turning fruit. The inspiration came from a book, which is in our library. Mike used an apple as an example and showed



some special jigs and homem a d e chucks hold the work while he was turning. Mike had a selection of fruit he has turned for the members to see and the at-

tention to detail and presentation was obvious. Mike says



that he often has a real example of the fruit he is turning the lathe so he can get the proportions and details as accurate as possible. Time spent

in properly sanding and finishing each piece while important to the finished product is also a calming and peaceful time to relax and temporarily clear the mind of daily problems.

Mike had another item that was clearly of interest and that was the sit down stand that he made for his lathe. There were copies of the plans for those who were interested. Mike said he had some back problems that were aggravated by standing at the lathe for any length of time and that the sit down stand helped greatly. The stand al-

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From the President

"As the Burl Turns" Seems appropriate for this installment of the Newsletter. Jim Bodine and Tom Potter have just returned from Dubuque with a club acquisition of burl woods which each of you can benefit from. More information later in the newsletter on this subject!

Fall is looming upon us time to get your outdoor work completed and prepare for those turning project that you did not get to over the busy summer.

Bruce Kruse

With Christmas and the New Year Holiday season just around the corner, the Corridor Woodturners and the Corridor WoodCrafters are working BlairsFerry True Value to adorn the Christmas Tree with handmade Christmas Ornaments. All of your turned donated ornaments will be displayed on the Tree at BFTV. The tree and all ornaments will be silent auctioned to the highest bidder with proceeds going to Camp Courageous. Goal is to have the auction end in early December. So start turning and drop you finished ornaments off with Josh (or any staff member) at BFTV. Let's make this years' tree shine with our wood creations!

Members and guests who attend the Picnic on September 23rd were treated to great weather, a great venue to interact and plenty of food was on hand. No one went away hungry as far as I know. Thanks again to Tom and Stacy Nehl for hosting the event. The Picnic was the culmination of the CWT's 1st "I haven't turned this before" Challenge Event. It was a perfect time to talk with fellow club members and by the way, the open turning session prior to the picnic was well attended. Attendees were able to get some nice turning blanks/wood in the silent auction held during the day!

Next Board Meeting is October 18, 2012 at Hardee's on BlairsFerry & Center Point Rd NE.

FYI – Heads up - Our NOVEMBER Monthly MEETING to being held at the shop of Bill Kalkbrenner in Manchester, where we will have a discussion / program on the ROSE Engine Lathe. We plan to meet at the Walmart in Marion at Highway 13 and 151 to afford as many people as possible to carpool to Bill's place. Directions/ Departure time and travel details will be forthcoming. The November Project of the Month – Christmas Ornaments

Our October Program is Christmas Ornaments – DVD Presentation by Rex and Kip as noted in the program information on page one.

The Project of the Month for October is – Fruit (thanks again to Mike Gadberry for the presentation last month)

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 the fruits of your turning labor on Thursday Night!

As Always - Happy Turning! Bruce A. Kruse

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Gary Evarts



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Kevin Bierman-walnut-Antique oil-POM



Terry Galvin-soft maple-poly-POM



Wayne Hofer-lidded vessel-sycamore & cherry-wop-POM

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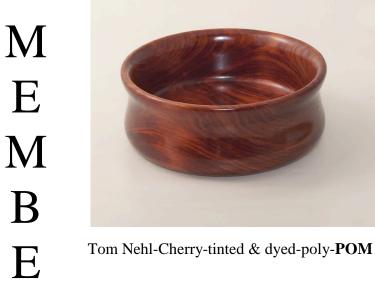
Harvey Jeck-Oak-dye& poly-POM



Tim Matveyuk-Wenge-spray varnish-POM



Stacy Nehl-pink ivory-CA-POM





Tom Potter



Greg Ellyson-spalted maple –lacquer-POM

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Tim Matveyuk-figured oak & maple-CA-POM



Mike Gadberry



Terry Galvin-walnut bowl-mahogany small vase-poly-**POM**



Gary Evarts



Jordan Ferr-Maple-WOP-**POM**



David Kesler-Ash-paint-POM



Bruce Kruse-walnut-Boiled linseed oil-**POM**



Wayne, Hofer-walnut and maple -wop-**POM**



Tom Nehl-Hackberry-poly-**POM**

Picnic

The weather was great for out annual picnic held at the shop of Tom and Stacy Nehl. A fine sign held between to oversized turning tools greeted all comers. There were 5 lathes set up and used by those in attendance to get instruction or brush up on skills.



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lows all of the materials needed for a project to be set out ready for use and a place to put an example of what he wants to replicate in wood, as well as a convenient place for storage of turning tools and supplies.

2013 Individual Challenge

The individual challenge and its \$50 prize went to Lance Zook for his offset turning. David Kesler entered his turned and carved bananas, Kevin Bierman had a very large bowl that took two lathes to turn, Stacy Nehl had a piece of turned fruit, a lemon, no pun intended, and John Cox showed off some small boxes with hand chased threaded lids. Now for next year. The challenge is on again and it is to do something involving turning that **you** have never done before. This doesn't mean that someone else hasn't done it but that it is a new skill that you have learned and perfected. The show off will be at the picnic next year so you have a year to keep it under wraps and get it done. There will be a sign up sheet at the meetings for you to put down your challenge project, which, if completed and displayed at next years picnic, will make you eligible for the prize drawing.

Continue being challenged to learn new things. One year's experience repeated ten (10) times is not the same as having ten (10) years of experience.

Burls

Thanks to Bob Ristow, we learned of a wood cutter in the Dubuque area willing to give us some burls he had harvested. The only stipulation of this offer was that we give him turned items from these burl pieces. Tom Potter and Jim Bodin jumped on this, drove to Dubuque chain saw in hand, and trailered back several burl pieces. These will be further reduced and be available at the next CWT meeting by lottery drawing.

If you succumb to the lure of the burl on Thursday night, please understand that there is the expectation of producing something for our generous friend in Dubuque. This does not need to be a large masterpiece; a simple pen, bottle stopper, paper weight, small bowl, etc. will be fine. There will be a sign-up sheet for those taking burl pieces ... just so we can help you remember this expectation.

Why is it important that we reciprocate and follow through by producing items? Besides saying that we would and it is the right thing to do, there is the pragmatic matter of wanting to maintain our relationship with this burl source - there are more! So if you take a piece, please do your part to help us maintain the reputation of the Club.







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

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.