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Next Meeting Thursday, June 10, 2010

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Chip Chatter

Bruce Stangeby, President

The sun is out (at least for the time being) and summer is here at long last. The coming of summer also means that the Club has several major public education events just around the corner.

We will again have a demonstration area at the Steam-Up (Powerland Museum at Brooks, OR). July 24 - 25 and July 31 - August 1. Entrance and parking is free for demonstrators. Myron Yancey is organizing this event and we need additional members who are willing to devote part or all of a day to the demonstrations. The demonstration presents a great chance to share turning time and get better acquainted with other club members. Do not be concerned that you "don't know enough about turning to demonstrate to others." To someone who has not turned before any knowledge will be new to them. A sign-up sheet will be available at the next meeting, or if you can't make it to the meeting give Myron a call.

We will also have a demonstration booth at the Oregon State Fair, September 1 - 6th. This event is being organized by Bob Hutchinson. A sign-up sheet will be available up to the time of the Fair. If you are considering being a demonstrator but find yourself holding back, talk to me or any of the members that have done this in the past. They will tell you what a fun time this is and that they learned something themselves and gained experience as a turner. This is a great opportunity to educate the public and have a good time.

There will be a Sawdust Session in July 21 at my shop dealing with the many options that are available for tool sharpening. Please read the sawdust section further down in the BURL for more details.

There is still some room available for the Eli Avisera hands on workshop July 22 and 23. Eli is a world class turner and should be a very interesting class.

I would like to thank all of the members that brought objects to the last show and tell table last month. We had so many things that time did not allow us to discuss each one of them but they were all appreciated.

I would like to encourage everyone to continue to bring items for the show and tell table and wood for the wood auction. This is also a good time to start on projects to be donated for sale at the yearend auction. The auction is the major way that the club makes money and the more money we make the more we have to spend.

The Café 50+ will be featuring a Baked Potato Bar for those who come to the meeting early.

It is with sadness that I report Richard Pucillo died May 4. He will be missed.

Keep the wood turning and the chips flying.

Club Business

New Members:

I would like to welcome two new members that joined at the June meeting:

Ron Fox and his wife Betty, from Mulino

Richard Lyle and his wife Dorothy, from Keizer

Current & Upcoming Events

Summer Demonstrations

The club has accepted invitations to staff a demonstration booth at two events this year: the Steam-up at the Powerland Museum at Brooks, OR and the State Fair. We are invited to demonstrate at the Steam-up both weekends of the event: July 24-25 and July 31 - August 1, from 8:00 to 4:00 each day.

The State Fair organization has asked us to demonstrate six days, September 1 - 6 from 10 AM through 8 PM. The club will conduct itself about the same at both events: 1. Bring mini lathe with safety shield and turning tools. 2. Each member can decide what they want to turn and bring the appropriate materials. Visitors will often stand long enough to see a small object turned to completion. However, if there are a variety of things being worked on having a long term project or two is not bad. Those who participate will get free passes to the events for that day. 4. No-one need stay at the demonstration booth all day. 5. Any member who wishes to demonstrate will be welcome to do so and should plan to wear their club name tag and blue T-shirt (which will be provided by the club).

If you can't make it to a meeting to sign-up please call or email. Sign-up even if you can only make it for a half day. Last year we had a great turn-out for both demonstrations. We can easily accommodate 10 people in the booths at one time.

The steam-up will be coordinated by Myron Yancey (503-623-8930) and the State Fair will be coordinated by Bob Hutchinson (503-508-3279).

Board Activity

A Board Meeting was held on June 24, 2010. Present at this meeting were Terry Gerros, Elling Hoem, Bob Hutchinson, Jerrry Lelack, Peter Peterson, Bruce Stangeby, Walt Thies, and Myron Yancey.

The purchase of a projector, to be used in place of the projector at the Club 50+, was unanimously approved.

In addition, it was decided that a safety sheet will be created and used during public demonstrations.

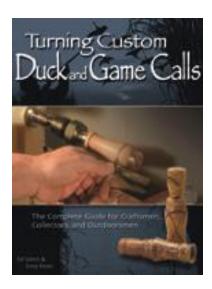




July (Thursday, July 8, 2010)

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 Phil 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, cherry, and most recently, some maple. 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.

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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, myrtle wood, 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 myrtle wood 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.

There will be a sawdust session on July 21 at the shop of Bruce Stangeby, 432 Stoneway Dr NW, Salem. This is going to be different than the normal type of sawdust session. Gary McGuire, Myron Yancey and Bruce Stangeby are going to have on hand many of the different types of sharpening equipment that is available. We will demonstrate its use and it will be available for you to try. Bring some tools that need sharpening and we will explore many different ways to do the job. The sawdust session will be from 10:00 to 3:00. Bring a lunch and come for the day or stop by anytime.







Eli Avisera will present a two day workshop on July 22 and 23, for which we still have room for two or three people. If you are not familiar with his exquisite work please look around his web sight. www.avisera.co.il/. The cost is \$195 for this two-day class.

Eli is an excellent teacher and an innovative turner. He's taught all over the world and is one of very few turners that can produce spindles (tremblers), bowls, boxes (his Dreidel box where the lid acts as a top), exquisite hollow vessels and very high quality segmented work. He also does piercing and other forms of surface enhancement. He's accomplished in all aspects of woodturning.

In addition, Eli has a unique double bevel grind he puts on his tools and grinds his skews with a convex bevel.

He's a very well rounded turner and if you're on the fence about taking the class, don't be.....you won't regret it. I'm very much looking forward to the class.... I hope to see you here! NICK

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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 skews 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. Our next order will be made in August. 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

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