

November
2006



Northern Rockies Woodworking Guild

Next Meeting

- The next meeting will be the Bozeman High School wood shop. Demo TBD
- Tuesday November 14th @ 7:00 P.M.
- Guests always welcome
- See last page for directions

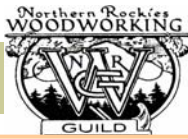
The Guild Web Site
can be found at
WWW.NRWG.ORG

If you are interested in joining the group, please contact one of the officers or come to a meeting. Guests with all levels of woodworking skills and interests are always welcome.

Elections will be coming up toward the end of the year so start thinking if you would like to serve.

October 2006 Meeting Minutes

- The last meeting was held on Tuesday October 17th, 2006 @ 7:00 P.M. at the Bozeman High School wood shop. Treasurer report of a bank balance of \$680 with all expenses for the Al Stirt demo and hands on session paid. 16 members in attendance.
- A large portion of the discussion was related to the wrap up of the Al Stirt demo. Gary and Rick again thanked the group for bringing in a world class turner so the kids could get a chance to see him. Everyone reported they enjoyed themselves and learned quite a bit. All reports from the hands on classes was everyone enjoyed themselves also.
- A big thanks to Tom Robinson for doing most of the planning for this event and for hosting Al at his house. Tom was the big push to get us organized and get all the equipment moved and set up as well as providing assistance during the hands on classes. Be sure to pass a personal thanks to Tom when you see him. He put a lot of work into this event.
- The timing of the demo was originally thought to be good but it might be better for the kids to have the demo later in the school year after they have had more of an exposure to the lathe so they can better appreciate what they are seeing.
- The group did lose money on the Al Stirt visit. Many people that were very interested in attending the demo and hands on sessions when we first set the dates for the visit dropped out leaving slots unfilled. Our original plan was to have 6 students on both days but ended up with 5 each day.
- The general consensus is that we should bring in more turners in the future. Some discussions were had about alternate ways to fund a guest turner by auctions or sales of items.
- Suggestions were made to have a sound system for the next presenter.
- A special thanks to Renneberg Hardwoods in Gallatin Gateway for the donation of the maple for the demonstration and hands on classes. This is some excellent wood that they donated. If you talk to Kevin or anyone there be sure to pass on the thanks. 763-9950
- If you have a turner in mind that you would like to see bring up your suggestion at a meeting or contact one of the officers. It does take quite a bit of time to put together one of these events and some turners are booked out more than a year.
- Jim Palakovich has been in contact with Ken at Four Corners hardware and he is expanding the store with plans to have a demo area. There might be some possibilities for future events there also.
- Jim also reported that he received a call from Jimmy Clewes. Jimmy was in the states and wanted to call up to see how we were doing. Jimmy commented that out of all of his demos during that long trip last year, ours stood out the most as a good crowd and he really enjoyed himself. Maybe we can get him back with more of a promise of fly fishing??
- We are still waiting for the remaining \$200 from the grant from AAW for the lathe purchase.



- More requests were brought up for hands on classes taught by the locals. We have a good range of skills in local guild members that have a good teaching ability. Through the mentor program these members have been sharing their skills but requests were made for more formal classes. It was discussed that this could be a method of raising additional funds to bring in a guest turner.
- Please bring it up in the next meeting for let the officers know if you would like to see more formal lessons put on by some of the other members or if you would like to help teach such a class.
- **Craft Supplies order**—It has been awhile since we put in a big order to Craft Supplies. If we can come up with an order totaling \$1000 or more as a group, Craft Supplies will give us a 13% discount and free shipping on that order. Big tools and lathes are excluded. Wayne Hansen has volunteered to be the purchasing coordinator and organize this. Please contact Wayne 585-1178 sheepmtman@msn.com if you would like to add to the order. The deadline is November 17th so you can bring your order to Wayne at the next meeting. If we do not have orders totaling \$1000 then we will either extend the deadline or drop it for now.
- Elections are coming up in December. Traditionally the vice president moves into the president slot at the end of the president's one year term. Jim Palakovich is currently our vice president and has expressed an interest in letting someone else step up the president's position. In any case the vice president position is up for election. Treasurer is a 2 year term so George will be enjoying that job for another year. I would also like to discuss the possibility of breaking up the secretary duties to a secretary and a webmaster. I have been doing both tasks since the group got back together and if someone would like to step up and take over the secretary duties that would be fine. At the November meeting we will be taking nominations for the following offices:
 - President
 - Vice President
 - Secretary
- Elections will be held at the December meeting. Better be sure to show up for the next few meetings to defend yourself in case someone nominates you.

I received this e-mail from Gary Corneer and Rick Hedlund:

Please forward to the officers and members:

THANK YOU all for bringing Al Stirt to Bozeman High School last Friday. It meant a lot to the students and administration to see such support of our programs. It is always nice to meet turners like Al, and of course you know that it wouldn't be possible for our students to see this without the continued support of the club. Rick and I can't begin to thank you enough for your generosity!

We had over 300 students, teachers, administrators, and paid "guests" who attended this event. Also, please find below a "copy" of an email I sent to the BHS administration.

Again, many thanks for your support!

Gary Corneer
Rick Hedlund

Godfrey, Bill, Lori, and Pat,

THANK YOU all for attending our wood turning demonstration last Friday. It meant a lot to the woodworking guild members to see such support from administration, faculty, and students.

All together, we had over 300 students, teachers, administrators, and paid "guests" who attended (the guild members had to pay \$50 to observe the demo on Friday, and \$100 for instruction on Sat. and Sun.). All in all, it was a nice presentation and most importantly, I believe the students enjoyed watching first hand a world class woodworker.

Again, many thanks for your support!

Gary Corneer
Rick Hedlund
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Something silly I found on the web. A lathe turned pumpkin. I bet that was a mess!



From the AAW:

The AAW is encouraging its members and potential members to use their web site.

One important element of this new system is the ability to renew your AAW membership or join as a new member on-line. As part of the Fall 2006 membership drive, the AAW will be giving away a free Powermatic 3520B lathe to one lucky member who has joined/renewed on-line.

By joining on-line, your correct address, phone, etc. will appear in the Directory and your AW Journal will be mailed to the correct address. If you use the paper mail in form, mistakes can happen in reading and retyping it. The lathe will be given away in a random drawing after January 1, 2007. To qualify for the drawing you must join or renew online using the new AAW website join/renew feature. Members who join/renew by phone or snail-mail will not qualify for the drawing. Only members who join/renew online between August 28, 2006 and January 1, 2007 will qualify.



Gallery



Lots of good show and tell items. Check out the web site for all the pictures.

Demonstrations and hands on sessions

As part of the monthly meeting we always try to include a demonstration to improve everyone's skills. Please let us know what topics you would like to see in these demos. Most likely someone with experience can show a technique, method or how to do a piece. If you have a skill that you would like to share please offer to give a demo.

The demonstrations and hands on sessions are all geared to help the members. Your input is needed to steer us in the direction you would like to see.

The October meeting demo was Christmas tree ornaments by Gordon McMullen.



Next meeting

The next meeting will be at Bozeman High School Wood shop.

Demo TBD

To get to the Woods Shop, get on 15th Ave either from Durston going south or from Main Street going north. The entrance to the high school is Ruth Thibault Drive which is just north of the Hastings Shopping Center entrance off of 15th Ave. Follow Ruth Thibault in between the track and the playing field past the main parking lot around to the back side of the building. Look for the big dust collector on the side of the building and the entrance is to the right of the collector. Detailed map on the web site.

Be sure to bring your show and tell items. Guests are always welcome.

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