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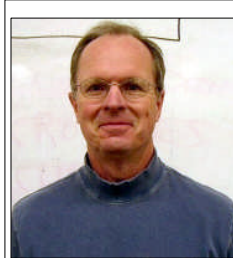
SPECIAL DATES OF INTEREST:

- June 6 & 7, 2009
Upward Bound
Classes @ BSC Vo-
Tech Shop 8:30—4:30
- June 12-13, 2009
Center Art Show—DWT
Demonstrations
- June 13, 2009 Regu-
lar Chapter meeting @
BSC Vo-Tech Shop—
9:00 AM
- June 16, 2009 E-
Board Meeting @
Dakota Farm, Man-
dan, ND 7:00 PM
- October 3, 2009—
Jimmy Clewes Dem-
onstration

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T H E P R E Z S E Z



Our summer season is finally here. Along with the nice weather comes all of the maintenance and new outdoor projects for the year. To make your new projects more interesting, incorporate a turned object into your deck, mailbox, birdhouse, or fence. Cedar is easy to turn, smells great, and is inexpensive. The Mandan Art Association has asked us to demonstrate at Art in the Park in Mandan on July 4th. Ron and I demonstrated last year. We will need to discuss at our June meeting. Larry Nelson managed the Craft Supply tool order again. This order is a lot of work, but a great benefit to club members. Let Larry know you appreciate his effort.

Seems like every year I start a project in May that takes much longer than I thought it would. This year, the project was three identical bookcases. My granddaughter wanted a big bookcase, nothing fancy just functional. I built a fancy small one a few years back for her, but this one needed to be big. In my head, I am thinking this will be an easy project with a veneer plywood case and a solid face frame. I told her I could easily put doors on the bottom half and adding short turned legs would make it a turning project too. The size would be three feet wide by six feet high.

Since this is such an easy project, I should make three of them at the same time. One would be for Char and me, and one for our son Ryan and his wife. This project will be fun because in my old shop I had trouble cutting full sheets of plywood. Now I have plenty of room. I made a drawing and the unit looked plain, so moldings were added to the top and bottom based on a picture of a similar unit in a book.

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U P W A R D B O U N D C L A S S E S

The DWT's will be holding classes for 40 students in the Upward Bound Program sponsored by Mary College on June 6th and 7th at the BSC Vo-Tech building. There will be two sessions each day from 8:30 pm to noon and 1:00 to 4:30 pm each day with 10 students in each class. If you would like to assist with a class contact Ron Day or Dennis Schwind for more information. You are also invited to just stop in and visit and lend your support to the students.

Upward Bound provides fundamental support to participants in their preparation for college entrance. The program provides opportunities for participants to succeed in their pre-college performance and ultimately in their higher education pursuits. Upward Bound serves: high school students from low-income families; and high school students from families in which neither parent holds a bachelor's degree. The goal of Upward Bound is to increase the rate at which participants complete secondary education and enroll in and graduate from institutions of postsecondary education.

The local program is hosted by the University of Mary under the direction of Steph Storey, Director. The University of Mary's Upward Bound Project provides these students, free of charge, with academic, cultural, and social activities designed to build skills, motivation, and self-confidence. These are skills necessary for success in school, in careers, and in life.

**Dakota Woodturners — Executive Board Meeting Minutes — May 12, 2009
Dakota Farms Restaurant, Mandan ND**

Members in attendance: Dennis Schwind, Ron Day, Alice Berning, Norbert Berning, Kris Roberts, Ron Torgeson, Larry Nelson, Weldee Baetsch, Pat Schweitzer, Ralph Feland, Ken Ness.

Vice President Ron Day sitting in for President Duey Marthaller, who was absent, called the meeting to order at 7pm.

Request that the club sanction a turning event being put on by Don Flath at the Sterling High School. Larry Nelson made the motion, seconded by Ron Torgeson. Motion passed.

Co-op Order: Larry Nelson reported 26 members have so far placed orders for approximately \$7400. Larry had asked his secretary for assistance in typing the orders. He expressed a desire for Club to show appreciation for the help in the form of a gift certificate. Motion to approve a gift certificate for \$30.00 made by Ron Day, seconded by Alice Berning.

Wood Sealer Purchase: Since Club members expressed a desire to approve the purchase, Dennis Schwind and Duey will check on the purchase. No further action by E Board.

Glue and Exotic Wood Purchases: Discussion about the current way is cumbersome with all the checks and deposits. Discussion about how to improve the way the purchase is done. Discussion only. No

action taken.

Discussion about advertising in the news letter. Some discussion on who and what kinds of advertisements. Subject was tabled until next Executive Board meeting.

PA System: Discussion on how the symposium was improved by use of an audio system. Kris Roberts did some research in to what is available on the market and would fit for our use and budget. We could purchase a good system for approximately \$110. Motion to purchase by Ron Day, seconded by Ron Torgeson. Motion to purchase approved.

2010 Symposium: Symposium to be April 9-10-11. Discussion centered on turning subjects and ideas that would be beneficial to members. Several names to think about were passed around. No further action taken at this time.

Upward Bound: Discussion on the benefits of getting involved in Upward Bound. Pat Schweitzer and Dennis Schwind to arrange meeting with Upward Bound representatives. It was mentioned that we could handle from 20-40 kids depending on number of lathes and setting. The results of that meeting will be sent to E Board members.

Upcoming Programs: Would like a presentation on platters. Ron Day to check members who would be willing to do presentation.

August meeting is the picnic at Pat Schweitzer's house. There will be no morning meeting. A silent auction is planned along with a gift exchange.

Jimmy Clewes: Some discussion on the October presentation. Still a lot of questions about his coming. No action taken at this time.

Bylaws: Kris Roberts presented the draft of the bylaws. Items discussed were life time memberships, and AAW liability issues. Recommended that the final draft be presented by next meeting.

It was brought up that there is a Dakota West Arts Council grant writing meeting being held Thursday July 9th at 2pm. Ron Torgeson said he could attend along with Weldee Baetsch.

Ken Ness,
Secretary

WOOD SEALER

The chapter has ordered a 55 gallon drum of Anchor Seal wood sealer. The sealer should be available in time for the July meeting which will be held at Duey's shop. Start saving 1/2 and one gallon plastic containers. The clear plastic containers are best as regular one gallon plastic milk jugs are not heavy enough and will deteriorate over time.

**Congratulations to Pat Schweitzer and his lovely Bride Barb who celebrated their 40th Wedding Anniversary
April 26, 2009**

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The plywood was purchased and I set out to cut and shape all the pieces before the first one was assembled. I soon realized this was a large project and was going to take some time. I finished the units and started staining and varnishing the first bookcase. Three coats of polyurethane varnish took well over a quart. I still have to apply the finish to the other two. They are still sitting in my shop. Anyway, I need to be more realistic when it comes to judging the amount of work a project takes. My granddaughter saw her bookcase on Memorial Day weekend and liked it. In that instant, I forgot about the work and am ready to start the next thing.

Duey Marthaller, President

PROMOTING THE CRAFT

The Dakota Woodturners has as one of it's goals to promote the craft of woodturning which includes classes and public demonstrations. Recent demonstrations were held at the Mandan Art Show and the Steele North Dakota High School presented by Don Flath a new AAW member. In addition to the upcoming Upward Bound Classes the chapter will be presenting, demonstrations are scheduled at the Center Art Show on June 12th & 13th, Mandan Art in the Park sponsored by the Mandan Art and Galleries Assn during 4th of July week-end and the BAGA Capital A'fair August 1st & 2nd, 2009.

Dakota Woodturners Regular meeting May 9, 2009

Meeting called to order by President Duey Marthaller.

There were 42 people in attendance

President made some opening statements in regards to the April Symposium. He wanted to extend a thank you for everybody who worked on the Symposium. It was a lot of hard work but the end result was a very good symposium enjoyed by all who attended. He complimented Kris Roberts on setting up the sound system. It was a very much needed improvement.

Norbert Berning said he has more Dakota Wood Turners caps for sale at \$8.00 per cap. He also has some bed spreads that can be used for covering tools in your shop.

Larry Nelson is the person to see if you are interested in putting in a tool order.

Guests: Bob Vandal –Bismarck
Cliff Pollert – Miles City
Walt Durand – Bismarck

President Marthaller asked for a motion to approve the April minutes. Motion to approve by Ron Day, seconded by Ron Torgeron. Motion approved.

Show and Tell:

Kris Roberts showed some small goblets that were hand painted by Alice Berning. Kris agreed that the painting greatly improve the goblets. He also showed his square bowl, some tea lights and bracelets assistants.

Sam Fear showed some pepper mills

Dave Dittmer showed a segmented vase turning made from over 115 different pieces of wood.

Dale Hurt showed a natural edge bowl

Don Flath showed a natural edge square bowl.

Ralph Feland passed around two gavels that he had made out of walnut.

Bill White showed some boxes he had turned and also some weed pots.

Louis Pitman showed a 100 year old bowl that had seen a lot of bread dough kneaded in it. He also had a square box, goblet and some boxes made out of pool balls.

Ron Christenson passed around an expandable level that was invented by a friend of his.

Ron Day, Greg Pollert, Larry Nelson, Ernie Oster all showed a completed square bowl that was part of the symposium projects.

Earl Setterland showed some baseballs that he had turned and also a gavel made in the shape of a computer mouse.

Alice Berning showed some Easter eggs that she has painted with various birds.

Larry Nelson presented the Treasurer's report.

By-Laws Update: Committee is still working on the final draft of the by-laws. The final edit by the Executive Board will possibly be done at the next meeting.

Ron Day, Duey Marthaller and Dave Krumwiede have all won honors for their art work during area art shows. Ron and Duey at the Mandan Art Show and Dave at the Hazen Art Show.

Wood sealer purchase: Discussion was to have Club purchase a 55 gallon drum of wood sealer. The price to member would be approximately \$10-12 per gallon. Enough people in the Club expressed an interest.

Motion to purchase drum made by Ron Day, seconded by Bryce Hill. Motions to purchase passed by voice vote.

Upward Bound Program:

Discussion to host a portion of the Upward Bound Program. This is a program for under privileged kids being held at Bismarck College. Approximately 40 kids will be in attendance. Discussion showed an interest in the Club participating in this event. We would host classes during the two day event. With enough lathes we could have two kids per lathe plus instructor.

Motion to sanction the event as an official Club sponsored event made by Kris Roberts, seconded by Ron Day.

Upcoming challenges by Ron Day.

June: Challenge for June would be pens, boxes or bottle stoppers. Bring and trade your turned items with other members.

July: Bird houses of any size of configuration.

Executive Board meeting set for May 12, 2009 at Dakota Farms Restaurant in Mandan.

Meeting adjourned.

Ken Ness,
Secretary

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When the club's Office of the Treasury became vacant, Larry Nelson was invited to fill that position and accepted. Larry, an engineer employed at Basin Electric, has been a member of the DWT's for about four years, and is also a member of the AAW.

Although Nelson has been turning for a few years, his experience with woodworking has been extensive. Much of the furniture that beautifies his house was made by him.

Larry's favorite woods are Maple, Walnut and Cherry. Bowls and boxes are the items he prefers to turn. For recreation he plays "some" golf. Larry is processing the club's current tool order, this being the second time he has managed the order for the club.

Karen, his wife, enjoys knitting and quilting along with spinning her own yarn. The Nelsons have three children, one boy and twin daughters and three grandchildren.

Norbert Berning

THANK YOU

I'd like to thank all the woodturners who bought tools and other things from me. You guys have helped a lot, and I thank you all.

Jim Gear

See the back page for a few more items Jim has left for sale.

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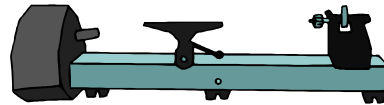
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