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SPECIAL DATES OF INTEREST:

- September 12, 2009
Regular meeting 9:00 am BSC Vo-Tech Shop
- September 15, 2009
E-Board Meeting 7:00 pm Dakota Farms—Mandan
- October 2-3, 2009—
Jimmy Clewes Demonstration
- October 10, 2009
Regular meeting 9:00 am BSC Vo-Tech Shop
- October 13, 2009 E-Board Meeting 7:00 pm Dakota Farms—Mandan

THE PREZ SEZ



Topics for this month are the Jimmy Clewes demonstration and training sessions, a man we met on our vacation this summer, and boiling wood.

Jimmy Clewes will be here October 2 and 3 for two four-hour training sessions and a day-long demonstration. We have enough people to fill the two Friday hands-on sessions with a few people attending both sessions. So, if you want to attend one, please contact me. We will make you a spot by having one of the people signed up for both sessions only attend one. You will not need to bring a lathe (unless you want to use your own), only your tools. Detailed instructions will be handed out at our September meeting.

On our way to pick up madrone burl at Grants Pass, Oregon we stopped at a visitor's center on the beach at Port Orford, Oregon. Port Orford is along the southern portion of the Oregon coast. Two gentlemen were working at the visitor's center and I asked them if we could take some driftwood from the beach. This started a long conversation about wood working and turning. Turns out one of the guys, William, had ties to North Dakota. His mom graduated from St. Alexius School of Nursing in 1924 and she grew up near Sentinel Butte. He said he had a redwood slab he would like to get rid of, so we went to his business warehouse and he gave me the slab. We ended up going to his house and visiting for some time. I gave him an ornament and we have since corresponded a couple times by letter. He sent us some information on Germans from Russia heritage and we learned a lot about living by the ocean. Visiting him was the highlight of our trip.

The last thing I want to discuss is boiling wood to speed up the drying process and to stabilize it. Madrone is a very unstable wood and someone discovered that boiling will stabilize it. Louis Pittman and I were discussing the process and he mentioned he had read something about boiling rough-turned bowls. He forwarded a link to a web page that summarized an experiment. A production turner boiled rough-turned bowls in water and compared the drying time and degree of cracking with air-dried bowls. He found that boiling the bowls significantly decreased both the drying time and amount of cracking. The boiling does something to the wood cells that allows the wood to dry with much less deformation. He did not mention this, but I would be concerned about how the boiling might change the color of the wood. Boiling affects the color of madrone burl.

We can now look forward to having more time in the shop as the summer comes to a close. Hope you are well and look forward to seeing everyone at the September meeting.

Duey Marthaller

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Dakota Woodturners Regular Meeting Minutes

The picnic was held in lieu of the regular monthly meeting, so no meeting minutes are available.

Ken Ness, Secretary

STUFF

Summer came early this year followed by Spring – Autumn and then summer again. Well this is North Dakota after all! Have seen a lot of beautiful cornfields and if the frost comes a little early there will be a lot of cow salad.

No garden this year between the deer, squirrels, rabbits, turkeys, etc. there was nothing left, besides the ground is getting farther away. Oh yes the deer still like the flowers around the house and in the flower garden. So much for that stuff.

I wish to express my thanks to Norb and Alice for contributions to the club such as the coffee maker, the hydraulic lift for the large lathe, the photos of members and the bios that have been printed in the newsletter. And of course their continuous promotion of woodturning and other art forms. Great to know yea!

We had a great turnout at the picnic. The hosts were great as usual. The auction brought the highest dollars to date. Only thing everyone left to early – next time stay a little longer and enjoy the great company.

The demonstrations went great this summer at Center, Hazen and the Capital A'Fair. I think we should have a signup sheet with your name and time of your

Dakota Woodturners Executive Board Meeting Minutes

August 11, 2009

Due to a lack of a quorum an official meeting was not held, therefore no minutes or notes are available.

demo. This would make it a lot easier for all and a great experience. Perhaps a one to two hour session would work well depending on the item to be turned. Ron you are doing a great job.

I hope to see all of the paid members at the October 3rd Jimmy Clewes day long demonstration. It's Free! I don't know about noon lunch, maybe Duey is making Sloppy Joes? Whatever, it's going to be a great session. Lot's of chairs will be available, good video cameras and a good sound system. As the saying goes, "You can't beat a deal like that". Be sure to come.

Sharing - Some of the greatest things is sharing the knowledge and expertise you have in woodturning and other talents with others young and old. One of the great things that happened to me this summer was the two day session with the young people from Upward Bound. Their enthusiasm, attention and gratification in an item they created were something to behold. I hope that if this program is available next year that more of the members can share their experience and knowledge with these young people. Sharing can be addictive.

Keep the chips and ribbons flying. Have Fun! Dunc

2010 SYMPOSIUM

Ron Day has been hard at work contacting demonstrators for our next symposium. Ron has lined up Cindy Drozda, Stuart Batty and Rex Burningham. This is a very talented group of demonstrators and promises to be one of our best symposiums ever. April 9, 10, 11, 2010

WOOD SEALER

Wood sealer is still available. We still have an estimated 20 gallons left, some in the 55 gallon drum and some in containers. If you have any extra one gallon containers bring them to the meeting so we can empty the barrel and get it out of Pat's shop.

FOR SALE—Tool Boxes

Two Craftman 20"x9"x9" - \$15.00 each. One Plano 20"x9"x9" \$8.00.

Soft Tool Bags

One small tool bag 12"x6" - \$5.00

AWP Double Wide with pockets 19"x11" Very heavy material— \$12.00

Makita Bag 20"x8" with pockets and shoulder strap—\$10.00

Work Gear 16"x10" with pockets \$10.00

Job Boss 20"x8" outside pockets \$8.00

Contact Bryce Hill— 255-6315

PIE

There were many tasty and delicious dishes shared at the August picnic. It seems that one of the favorites was a Rhubarb Cream Pie. There were several requests for the recipe, including a recipe for the pie crust.

A suggestion was made that maybe this could be the start of a new addition to the monthly newsletter with contributions by some of the most important members of the club—the ladies!!

Vi Schwind

Pie Crust

Using a pastry blender mix together the following until crumbly.

4 Cups flour
2 Cups shortening
1 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon baking powder
1 Tablespoon sugar

Then mix together the following and add to the flour mixture and blend for a soft dough.

1 Egg
1 Tablespoon vinegar
1/2 Cup cold water

One half of this recipe makes enough for two pies, 2 tops & 2 bottoms.

Rhubarb Cream Pie

1 Cup sugar
2 Tablespoon Flour
1 Cup cream
3 Egg yolks
2 Cups Rhubarb
Mix together and put into raw pie shell and bake at 350 degrees until set.

Make the meringue, cover pie and bake until brown.

Meringue

3 Egg whites
1/4 Teaspoon cream of tartar
6 Tablespoons of sugar

Beat egg whites with the cream of tartar until stiff enough to hold a point. Gradually beating in the sugar continue until mixture is stiff and glossy. Pile on pie mixture and bake for 15-20 minutes at 300 degrees.

FOR SALE - Craftsman Shaper w/ Rockwell Carbide Cutters; Cabinet shaper set, Panel raising set, Glue joint, 1/4 and 1/2 inch quarter round and Ogee. All with 3/4" hole and bushing. \$250.00

FOR SALE - Ring Master w/owners manual and project book. \$160.00

Duncan Warren - 663-8737

JIMMY CLEWES DEMO

Some 1/2 day spots are still available for the hands on portion of the Jimmy Clewes Demonstration, so if you are interested in attending please complete the registration below.

Pre-registration requested but not required.

Jimmy Clewes Classes and Demonstration Registration

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Hands-On Session 1 - \$45.00 – Friday October 2 8:30 to 12:00

Hands-On Session 2 - \$45.00 – Friday October 2 1:00 to 4:30

Demonstration – Saturday October 3 8:30 to 3:30 Free to paid up DWT Members.

Payment due at start of each session.

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WHO



Little did Sam Fears realize that when he bought a small lathe at a garage sale years ago that he would someday include it among his retirement activities. Curious about wood turning and a few visits to Cliff Rimes' shop prompted him to join the DWT's.

Fears was employed as a mechanic at Basin Electric. During his tenure there he did some welding and metal lathe work. Although he was never involved extensively with woodwork, he is currently living in a house he renovated completely, a house which, he says, is a stone's throw from the river.

Sam turns all types of wood, but those he prefers are Box Elder, Russian Olive, Maple, Ash and Elm. His favorite items are bowls, pepper mills and wine stoppers. Included in his new-found interest in woodwork is the intention to build a clock.

Sam's additional hobbies are fishing and gardening. His wife Georgia, a retired respiratory nurse, enjoys reading, crocheting and cooking. They have four sons and two grandchildren.

Norbert Berning

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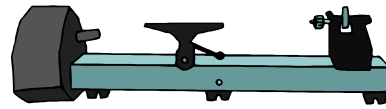
Speeds 0-425/0-2520 rpm

26" swing — 17" between centers.

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Contact Dave Krumwiede— 701-870-5772

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