



Sawdust and Shavings

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Prez Sez

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KEY UPCOMING DATES:

Next Club meeting: Sat Sept 13
Mentoring at Career Academy: Sep 15-18
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(see notes below for details)

Prez Sez

We are moving into the fall season, with the kids back in school and a little frosty for a few mornings. It was great seeing everyone at our Summer Picnic and a thank you to Pat and Chauk for hosting the picnic at their home. The picnic is always a highlight of the Dakota Woodturner's summer season. We wrapped up another successful raffle—thanks to everyone who sold tickets, donated items, and to Peggy Rudnick for keeping us organized.

It is time for me to get out to the shop and prep the blanks for our sessions at the Bismarck Career Acadamy and get my instant gallery items ready to go for the Rockey Mountain Symposium next week. Hope to see you all on Saturday and as always “Keep the Chips and Ribbon Flying” and do it safely.

Ron Day

We are now preparing for the fall semester of working with the students at the Bismarck Carrer Acadamy which will begin on Monday September 15 th . We will have four sessions each day and it will be Monday through Thursday. We will have over seventy-five students that first week and a second week of three sessions per day will be later in the month. We will cover all the details at the monthly meeting.

I received a call from a friend whose father-in-law is getting out of the woodworking hobby and has several pieces of equipment for sale. If you are interested in expanding your tool inventory, please let me know. I would be happy to provide you with several photographs of the items currently available for sale. Unfortunately, the number of folks retiring from their wood working hobby is rapidly growing.

DWT Meeting Minutes

No meeting was held in August, therefore no minutes.

Upcoming Sessions at Career Academy:

BPS Career Academy September 15-18

Crouse-20 7:25 Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs
Crouse-17 9:35 Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs
Grimm-25 11:55 Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs
Grimm-18 1:55 Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs

September 29-October 3

Horner-21- ADVANCED 7:25 Mon./Tues/Wed/Fri
Blanchert-21 Mon./Tues. 9:50 Wed/Fri. 10:10
Crouse-18 1:55 Mon/Tues/Wed/Fri



Top Note: Here's the top jar inventory left after finishing a brisk business at the Capital Affair. Time to start rebuilding our stock! Let's see if we can't all bring in a bag (or two) to the Sept (and future) meetings and start rebuilding for next summer!

John Warren will have some Emma Cook decorating kits at the September meeting for sale. Cost is 95\$/kit so see John on Saturday if you're interested. We will also have some left-over bowl blanks from Emma's sessions for sale there. Boxelder mostly.

The following are photos of the art and folks the Warrens brought back from their travels "across the pond" last month. Take a look:











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