

MINNESOTA WOODTURNER'S NEWS

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Elections

Elections for officers for our association will be held at the December meeting. We put this item first in this newsletter so that you all may give your undivided attention to the possibility of being an officer for the club.

All officer positions are open for election. The term of office will be for two years, and will run from Jan. 1993 to Dec. 1994.

As I have mentioned before, I feel that there is an unwritten requirement that every member of any organization such as ours, in some way, puts back into the organization at least as much as they get out of it. Our club exists, and thrives, because so many people seem to abide by this requirement. Serving as an officer is an excellent way that you might fulfill this obligation.

I think that those individuals who have served as officers would agree, that it can be a very rewarding experience.

There is only one qualification necessary to run for office, a willingness to put forth the effort to do the job. It is important to note that woodturning skill level is not a factor. In fact, this is a prime way that lesser skilled members can contribute to the club.

We ask that you please consider the possibility of serving as an officer. We will be asking for volunteers at the upcoming meetings. If you cannot attend those meetings, but are willing to serve as an officer, please call William Allshouse, or Don Wattenhoffer, to volunteer. We hope to have a finalized list of candidates by the November meeting.

The officers positions and their responsibilities are listed below.

President: Conduct the business portion of the meetings. Making decisions, along with the other officers, concerning the who, what, when, and where, of meetings, events, and demonstrations. A lot of miscellaneous!

Vice President: Conduct the business portion of the meetings when the President is not present. Arrange and coordinate any professional demonstrations that the club may sponsor.

Secretary: Maintenance of membership and mailing lists. Getting newsletters printed and mailed.

Treasurer: Coordinate taking in dues and fees. Making payments for club expenses. Keeping an account of transactions and reporting on them at officer board meetings.

Program Director: Work with the board to determine meeting subjects. Make phone calls and arrangements to set up demonstrators and meeting sites.

Newsletter Editor: Write this newsletter. I will be willing to continue in this position, however, if someone else desires it, I will be happy to step aside.

Upcoming Meetings:

September 19, Saturday, 1:00 - 5:00

We will meet at Craig Lossing's home for a meeting that will include a turning demonstration by Craig, and also a wood and tool swap.

Craig is one of our members, who is a professional woodturner. He has said that he will talk a bit about his experiences as a professional woodturner, especially the positive aspects of it. He will also demonstrate turning some useful, but artistic objects.

Craig says that he has a lot of space, so he volunteered that we could have a wood and tool swap, while we are there. A lot of people have asked for us to have one. Everybody is welcome to bring any wood, or tools that they may want to trade or sell.

Craig lives in "Marine on the Saint Croix", which is about 10 miles north of Stillwater, on Highway 95. To get to Craig's, take Highway 95 to Marine. Take a left (west) on County Road 4. Go up the hill, and around a couple of bends, for a distance of about 1/2 mile. Craig lives right on County Road 4, but his address is actually 710 Broadway street, because the road changes names. If you reach the cemetery, you have gone too far. Craig's house is a large 2 story grey house on the north (right) side of the road.

Please bring a chair, and show and tell items.

October 3, Saturday, 1:00.

Meeting at John Magnuson's house in Hanover (about 20 miles northwest of downtown Minneapolis, see enclosed map, 477-6294). John will demonstrate turning a hollow vessel, similar to the ones demonstrated by John Jordan, a couple of years ago. John will also demonstrate the home made tools that he has made, to do this.

Please bring a chair, and show and tell items.

October 14 Wednesday, 7:00 - 9:00p.m.

Note, this is a Wednesday, not a Tuesday!

I (Paul Kachelmyer) will give a beginners level demonstration on tool sharpening and how to cut cleanly, to minimize sanding. Our club wants to serve all of our members, and this meeting will be geared to helping our less experienced members master these turning basics. This will be a "hands on" meeting and we ask that you bring at least one or two tools to sharpen. I will demonstrate a couple of basic spindle cuts with a gouge and scraper. We will then have "hands on" practice of these cuts. It would be best if those attending, brought their own gouge and scraper, so that they can learn with their own tools. I will also discuss what tools seem to get the most use.

The meeting will be held at the Shopsmith store (633-6844) at 1665 West County Road C, Roseville. The store is located in the Rosedale Square shopping center, northwest of the corner of Snelling Avenue and County Road C, about one mile north of Rosedale mall. The store hours that day are 10:00 - 6:00. They will open the store for us at 7:00. They will also be open for sales to us, during and immediately after our meeting.

Please bring show and tell items.

November 10, Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

Bill Thul, owner of the woodturning shop, "In The Round" has offered to give a talk, and possibly a demonstration, of what he does with woodturning. Bill has done architectural woodturning, as a business, for quite a number of years. He is said to have a very "Long Bed" lathe. Bill's shop is at 165 East Viking Drive, in Little Canada. Viking Drive is the frontage road on the north side of Highway 36. Bill's shop is located about 3/4 mile east of Rice street.

Please bring a chair.

December 8, Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

Elections for officers will be held at this meeting.

This meeting will also feature a showing and raffle of lathe turned Christmas ornaments. We ask that you try to make a Christmas tree ornament to bring and show at the meeting. We also ask that you bring an ornament to give away in a raffle. Everyone giving an ornament will be entered in the raffle, and will thus win an ornament made by someone else. If you aren't able to bring an ornament, that is OK, you are welcome at the meeting anyway.

We also would like to have a large "show and tell" at this meeting. This is the time of year when many members are making Christmas gifts on the lathe. We would like for you to bring them, and show them, before you give them away. A lot of people said they really

got a lot out of the meeting last year where this was done. We hope that this meeting will turn out the same.

The meeting will be held in a meeting room at the apartment where one of our members, Glen Vant, lives. The address is 3101 111th Ave. N.W., Coon Rapids, Minnesota.

There are a number of routes that can be taken to get there, one being: from I-694 take the University Ave. exit, and go north on University Ave. for about 5 miles to Coon Rapids Blvd. (Northtown shopping center will be off to the right). Take a left on Coon Rapids Blvd. (if you took a right you would be on Highway 10) and go a little over 4 miles to 111th Ave. N.W. (there is a White Castle hamburger place on that corner). Take a left on 111th and go one block and turn right. You are there, it is a 3 story apartment building and is across the street from a Rainbow foods store.

Safety:

We wish to remind all members and guests, that woodturning can be dangerous. Many of our members have had accidents, and injuries, of some sort, with the lathe. This is a reminder, that by attending our meetings, you do so at you own risk. This is also a reminder that we ask all members to sign a liability release. If you have not signed one, please ask one of the club's officers for one to sign. Lastly, this is also a reminder that we ask that everyone near a lathe at our meetings, bring, and wear, eye protection.

We now will be asking everyone attending a meeting to sign a "sign in sheet and liability release", for that meeting. This will include nonmembers, and will insure that everyone attending has signed a liability release.

Meeting Cancellations:

If bad weather occurs on the day of a meeting, you can assume that the meeting will be canceled. We will try to inform the "person, place or store" where the meeting was scheduled, of the cancellation, during the day, just in case you want to call them to confirm it.

Need help with the basics ?

Willie Allshouse, 755-3373, Ron Krietemeyer, 739-8410 and I, Paul Kachelmyer 738-3940, have all offered, that if any club member needs a little help learning some woodturning basics, that we would be happy to help you. Feel free to call us.

CLASSIFIED ADDS: Any member wanting to place an add, (free to members) send the pertinent information to me, Paul Kachelmyer, at 558 Farrell st. Maplewood Minn. 55119. I will try to get it in the next newsletter.

Sara Gould has found out that there will be a used tool flea market on Saturday September 19, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at the intersection of East 48th street and 4th Avenue South, in Minneapolis. There will be about 15 sellers, of many types of used and antique tools.

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BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY, PROVO, UT
June 18-20, 1992

By Don Wattenhoffer

The symposium was attended by only two members of the Minnesota Woodturners Association and one other Minnesotan. The setting was ideal for learning about woodturning mixed with vacationing. The drive out took me 19 hours (plus a short sleep stop in western Iowa) mostly via I80, but I don't recommend trying that kind of drive.

The instant gallery provided an excellent overview of some of the best examples of woodturning in the U.S. both from a design standpoint and the technical. The trade show was great for wishing, buying or viewing all sorts of tools, finishes and turning woods.

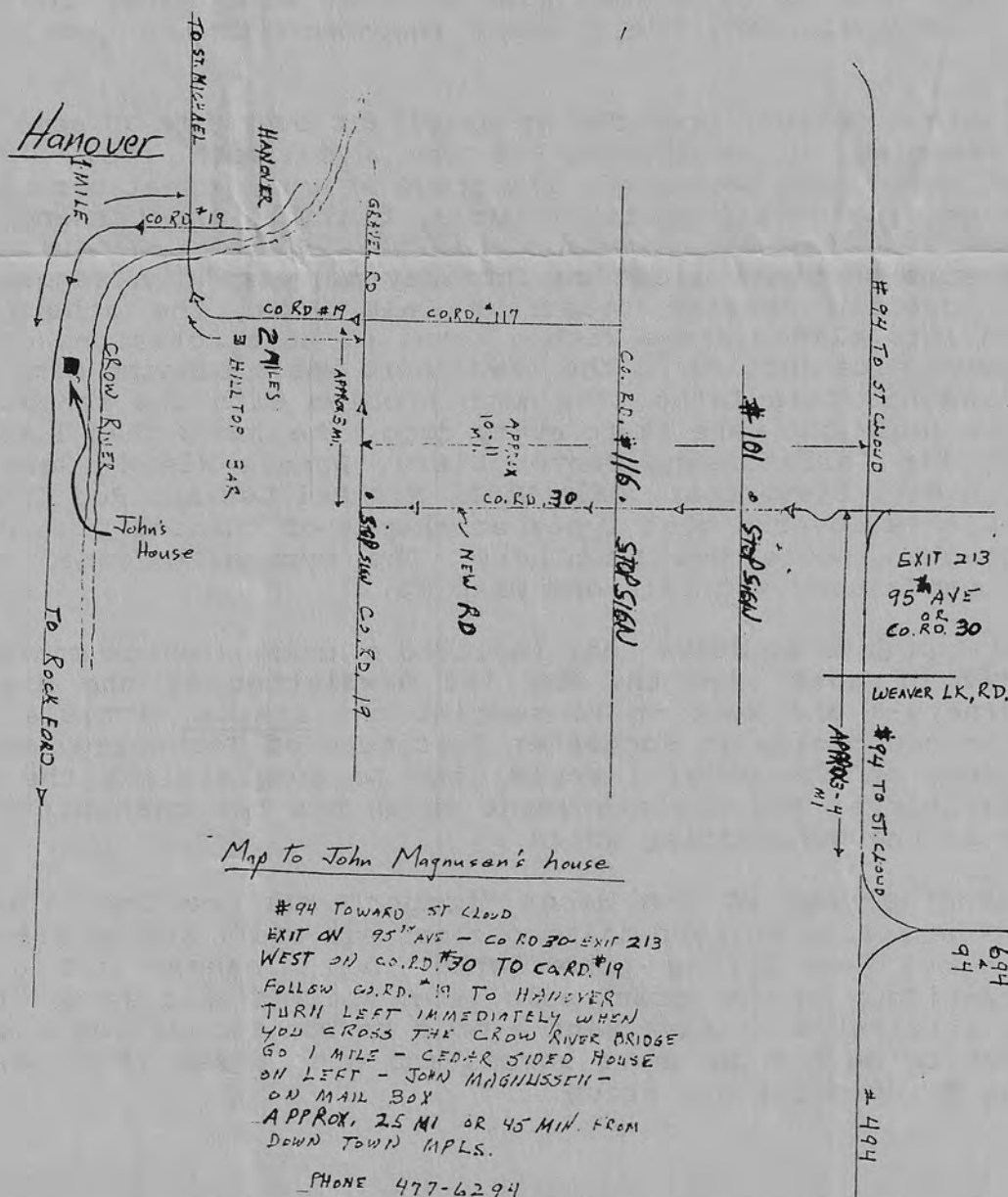
The symposium started out on Thursday morning with registration and an opening session featuring Dale Nish. The schedule was divided into eleven areas with a total of nine rotations over the three days plus outside on the lawn there was a running demo by Don Weber and his pole lathe. The main problem with the schedule was that you could not make it to every demo. The demos that I attended were by Kip Christensen, Denver Ulery, Bonnie Klein, Gary Zeff, Stoney Lamar, Steve Loar, Dale Nish, Michael Lee and Rod Cronkite. The subjects covered most types or shapes of turning plus design, photography, tools and machinery. The symposium ended with a participants show and tell and wrap-up.

The design demo by Steve Loar included a handout which started out **"An item of note from the May '92 newsletter of the Minnesota Woodturners-"** and went on to reprint the Ethics: article. Steve Loar teaches design at Rochester Institute of Technology and is a woodturner on the side. I would like to congratulate the author Paul Kachelmyer for his statement which has now been distributed widely in the woodturning world.

The running demo by Don Weber "bodger" was one that I enjoyed because he really enjoyed talking about his craft and he allowed me to try out the spring pole lathe. Don handed out a small sketch/writeup on the spring pole late, which I will share with any member interested. I have sent a note to Don requesting a copy of information he has on shave horses and also asked if he would be willing to demo for our group.

The social part of the schedule included an outdoor barbecue and entertainment at Riverside park hosted by the Utah Association on thursday evening and a banquet and auction on Friday evening. The auction was to benefit the education fund and included turnings donated by members, tools/machinery and turning wood blocks. The highest price paid for an item in the auction was in the \$750.00 range for a small segmented piece. The turned pieces were mostly artistic/display types, however the large (usable) red oak bowl that I contributed was displayed for all to see (they needed a large bowl to put the tickets in for the raffle and than kept holding it up for various members of the board to draw from).

The association made a video of the instant gallery, which I have recommended the MWA purchase for our video library.



Saturday Oct 3 1992, 1:00 P.M.