



<http://www.corridorturners.org/>

Next Meeting

The February meeting of the Corridor Woodturners will be held at 6:30 PM on February 12 at Leisure Living Construction, 2700 Stone Gate Court in Hiawatha. We will have a discussion on sanding and sandpapers. The following web site will give you some information about the topic. http://www.johnjordanwoodturning.com/John_Jordan_Woodturning/Bill_Neddow_-_High_Speed_Sanding_23.html

You will have to copy the URL and paste it into your browser to read it. The blue type is not a hyperlink.

As a special feature this month there will be a quiz on, and or, about sandpaper and sanding with a prize for the winner. All are welcome to participate. The project of the month is a three legged bowl.

Dues Renewal for 2015

Now that the new year is here it is time to renew your dues for 2015. Please use the renewal form, available on our web site,

www.corridorturners.org

This makes keeping track of who has and who hasn't paid much easier and prevents problems in the future. The dues remain the same as in past years, \$25 for individual and \$30 for a family. If your dues are paid by the end of the February meeting, you will be entered into a drawing for a refund of your dues to be held at the March meeting. Dues can be paid to David Kesler at the meeting or sent to his address, 395 Red Fox Rd, S.E. Cedar Rapids, IA

Last Meeting

Last month the meeting was at Tom and Stacy Nehl's shop and Tom demonstrated making a three legged bowl. The bowl started out like a regular bowl mounted on a worm screw in his chuck working the area that was to become the bottom first. A circle was inscribed on the blank to indicate the diameter of the bottom of the bowl, another to indicate the opening at the top and a final one near the edge to indicate the width of the rim which will become the feet. Wood was removed between the circle for the rim and the one for the bottom in an inverted "V" shape toward the top. A tenon was put on the cone shape so that when reversed to hollow out the center of the bowl it could be used to hold the piece in the chuck. Care must be taken not to remove too much wood toward the top so as to cut the rim free of the center. When reversed, Tom hollowed out the center in a cone shape. The feet are created on the bandsaw by dividing the rim into thirds and then determining the width of the feet and making marks on the rim for the be-



gining and end of the cut for each leg. Tom made a sliding jig to aid in this operation. Some sanding on the leg edges finished the job.





Bruce Kruse

From the President

Now that we have received our 1st and only blast of winter weather for the 2015, spring is right around the corner! It appears my Cottonwood Tree is already setting buds. Sunny Spring days are just ahead and we can start planning our new turning projects.

Thank you to the Nehl's for hosting the CWT January Meeting and thanks to Tom for showing us how to create a three legged bowl. I know many were inspired and I hope some of you had the time to attempt this turning challenge. As it is every month, it is interesting to see the Project of the Month items as well as those brought for Show and Tell.

As the Corridor Woodturners is a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW), we must tend to some basic business needs and practices. One of which is Liability Insurance. When the CWT was chartered, the AAW provided this basic insurance across all chapters. Three years ago, the AAW left the Blanket Liability Insurance lapse, which left us in a predicament of not being able to cover liability concerns of our meeting location, Leisure Living Construction or individuals at meetings, events, etc. At that time, the CWT Board was tasked by the membership to look for alternatives, which included our own individual policy. Three years ago, The CWT entered into and purchased our own individual liability insurance policy. The AAW has since re-offered a liability policy, available to all chapters. The CWT Board has decided to continue with our own individual policy through February 2016.

The CWT is a great organization and I summarized the liability insurance need to highlight a basic expense, one of the many expenses, we have as a club. Your Annual dues, raffle proceeds and promotional events proceeds, IE: Woodfest, McGowan House Artisans Christmas Ornaments, all help funds the CWT, so we can keep our bills paid. Our dues continue to be in my opinion, the great value in the area and maybe over entire AAW Chapters. Your continued support of the promotional activities, raffles and other fund raising efforts will assure we can keep the annuals modest. If you have not yet renewed, please complete and submit the membership form and payment to David Kesler, CWT Treasurer.

I mentioned last month that each CWT member brings their own unique "spin" on a subject or topic. We need your input to continue to educate, counsel and grow. Do not hesitate to step forward with an idea or thought. We need individuals to conduct programs or discussion, the CWT Board is here to assist you.

Since the CWT Clubs inception, there has been an investment made in the CWT Library. There are hundreds of dollars of books, DVDs and documents which are available to all CWT members. See Gary Nosek, CWT Librarian to CHECK OUT / IN these materials. We ask that every member make a concerted effort to use and return these materials in a timely manner. We currently have a number of items which need to be accounted for. If you have interest in assisting Gary, please let him know.

If you have any item(s) to donate for the monthly meeting raffles, please do bring to the meeting. We will get them on the table as soon as feasible. We appreciate all donation to the raffle as those proceeds go to fund the CWT Treasury. We thank you for your generosity.

CWT Board Elections are next Month. If you have interest in joining the Board, please make your interest known. This Slate of Board Candidates will be placed in front of the Membership at our March 2015 Monthly Meeting.

Kevin Bierman – President
 Bruce Kruse – Vice President
 David Kesler – Treasurer
 John Cox – Secretary
 Tom Nehl – Officer
 Stacy Nehl – Officer
 John Sandor – Officer
 Joe Lesko – Officer

I look forward to seeing you on February 12th at Leisure Living Construction. Participate in the Sanding QUIZ and you could be the lucky winner of an Acme Tools Gift Card! I think we will all come away from this meeting with a new respect for Sanding – Tools, Techniques and Tips will be our Program topic.

Stay Challenged and as Always, Happy Turning! Bruce A. Kruse



Jim Bodin



Lisa Heitz



Jeff Kromminga



Jim Bodin

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Bob Smiley



Jim Clauson

Library Information

Do you use the literature library? What items would you like to see added, what would make it easier to use? See Gary Nosek and make your wishes known.

Library Tune Up

With regards to the library, the latest review of the materials indicates that several of you have outstanding items that need to be returned. Some of these items have been out since June. It is understandable with the holiday schedule it is possible that you were not able to get to a meeting to return your items, however, that is in the past and now we need to get the items returned so that others may use them. To see if you may be listed as one who has materials out, go the club web site and under the items of interest, select library and open the Excel file to see the current status. If you have returned items you are shown to have out, see Gary at the meeting and get things straightened out. There are two items that have been lost that belonged to members who loaned then to the library, a book, Mick Hanbury on Platters and a DVD, Woodturning Projects #5 with Rex and Kip. If you have either of these items please get them back. It is very difficult to expect members to loan items if they are going to disappear plus the board isn't too excited about purchasing new items if they don't stay in circulation.

If you have any suggestions for materials to be added to the library contact our librarian Gary Nosek or any board member and let us know what you would like to see added.

For Sale

Have something for sale? Let the club members know about it here. Get the info to John Cox to be added to the next newsletter

16 Piece Forstner Bit Set 1/4" to 2 1/8" in 1/8" increments \$35.00 Bruce Kruse bak515@aol.com

Marion Arts Festival

The Marion Arts Festival is scheduled for the middle of May and we are planning to participate again this year. If you have any bowls you would like to donate for the event please bring them to the meetings between now and the May meeting. Plans are in the works for us to provide some bowl blanks for members to use for the project.

McGowan House Christmas Ornament Project

The ornament donation project was very successful this past year. McGowan House turned over \$275 to the club from sales of the ornaments. It is never too early to start making ornaments for next year as we expect to continue with the program. Ornaments are a good way to warm up when starting a project, especially after a long layoff from turning. Building one or two each month will be rewarding at the end of the year when the call goes out for ornaments.

Dues Structure and Meeting Attendance Policy

Club dues are:

\$25.00 per year for an General membership.

\$30.00 per year for a Family membership

\$100.00 per year for a Supporting membership.

Potential members may attend two meetings as a guest then must either join the club or pay 1/4 of the current general membership fee to attend a regular meeting.