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Next Meeting

The meeting for February will be held Thursday the 13th at the Leisure Living Construction building 2700 Stone Gate Court, Hiawatha Iowa at 6:30 P.M.

Considering the number of new and beginning turners in our group we will have a discussion about how to attach up a piece of wood to the lathe other than between centers. There are many different ways to use the systems that are available and we will talk about many of them and some of the considerations to think about with each of them. The most obvious item that does not come with the lathe is a scroll chuck. While these are handy and versatile, there are many brands, sizes and accessories and they are also expensive and out of the reach of some beginning turners. We hope to present information from experience about chucks and how to use them most effectively as (Next Meeting Continued on page 6)

Dues Renewal Time

The year has nearly gone and it is time to think about renewing your dues for 2014. Club dues are due January 1. The club has 44 members signed up for the 2014 season. Ongoing promotions and events have been successful so the dues remain at \$25 per person or \$30 for a family. At the end of the year the club has 61 paid members. Those who have paid by the start of the program for February will be eligible for a drawing to have their dues refunded. New membership cards will be issued starting with the March meeting. Please go to the web site and download a copy of the membership application /renewal form and bring it with you when paying your dues. Please make note of

Last Meeting

Last month was about hollowing, from shallow to deep vessels and all things in between. Kevin Bierman brought his Jamieson hollowing system and had it set up on the Lathe in Tom and Stacy Nehl's shop. Kevin spoke about some of the requirements for this set up and noted that a steady rest was a big help in reducing vibration.



The steady rest he had set up was a home made unit made by Bruce Kruse. Kevin described the use of the laser with the unit to set and determine wall thickness for the vessel being turned. In addition to the basic boring bar there are available heavier bars to help in reducing vibration. The system uses basic high steel cutters however Kevin indicated that all he uses are the Hunter carbide cutters.

There were a large selection of other types of hollowing tools shown and demonstrated. Lance Zook showed the Rolly Monroe system. This system features an articulated cutter head to allow cutting the under side of hollow form with a small opening and a shield over the cut-



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Bruce Kruse

From the President

We had a great January Meeting at Nehl's Shop. The winter of 2014 continues to be cold but the Woodturning Topics are "Hot".

Chucking and Driving Techniques will be our Program Topic / Discussion at the February 13th Meeting. We will be returning to Leisure Living Construction in Hiawatha with our normal 6:30 PM start time.

As we progress through 2014, please convey your interests to the CWT Board and we will do our best to incorporate the monthly programs to those desires. As the CWT

membership grows, the knowledge base only continues to increase as well.

Do not hesitate to communicate with other CWT members during (as well as outside of) the meetings to explore solutions to your turning challenges. The February Chucking Program should provide a good start to get you thinking. We will have a number of our members presiding over the Program and our goal is to discuss and display as many Chucking Methods/Tools and Jigs as possible. If you have a special chuck or drive method, please bring it for display/discussion.

Remember CWT 2014 Membership Fees are due. Anyone who has paid the annual dues prior to or at this February Meeting before the program starts is entered in a drawing (need not be present to win) to have the 2014 Annual Dues reimbursed.

The Eastern Iowa Airport Exhibit looks great. We have more members submitting creations for display each month. Join in the experience!!!

The Slate of Officers/Board of Directors is being presented. This Slate will need to be confirmed by the membership. Please review the slate and if you are interested to join the CWT Board, our By-Laws will afford us to add (2) additional Directors.

It was confirmed that we WILL be demonstrating at the Acme Tools Spring Sale. Details on that event in the near future.

Our next CWT Board Meeting will be February 20th 6:30 pm at Hardee's BlairsFerry and Center Point Roads NE, Cedar Rapids.

www.corridorturners.org is our website and current club information is posted there. CWT's Facebook site is available as well. Any comments, additions, please contact David Kesler. If you have any friends, neighbors, or acquaintances' interested in turning, invite them to a meeting to see what we are all about. Your continued support works to make the Corridor Woodturners a viable organization.

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

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Kevin Bierman-Walnut –Antique Oil-S&T



Don Coleman-Walnut-S&T



John Cox– Walnut, African Blackwood, Alder, Cocobolo, Pink Ivory-**S&T**



Jim Bodin-African Blackwood-S&T



Ruth Coleman-Pine-POM



Greg Ellyson-Maple, Acrylic, Wax and Ink **POM**



Bill Kalkbrenner-S&T



David Kesler-S&T



Doug Nauman-Corian-Tung Oil-POM

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Bruce Kruse-S&T & POM



Tom Mills-Walnut-Salad Bowl finish S&T



 $Tom \ Nehl-Poplar-natural-{\bf POM}$

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Harold Rosauer-Cherry Burl-Salad Bowl-**S&T** Top of the platter



Bob Ristow-Basswood-Wipe on Poly-S&T



Paul Rohrbacher-Walnut-Mylands-S&T





Harold Rosauer-Cherry Burl-Salad Bowl-**S&T** Bottom of the platter



Joannie West-S&T



Paul Rohrbacher-Oval turned Vases Mylands-**S&T**

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well as alternative methods to obtain the same results. If you want a head start, for those who have access to the American Woodworker, an article by Richard Raffan in the December 2010 issue was all about chuck jaws, how to use them and what he looks for when purchasing one. There is an article in the April/May 2013 issue of American Woodworker by Alan Lacer about all the different ways of chucking wood on the lathe.

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ter to adjust the depth of cut which helps reduce catches. A system such as this with an articulating head and cutter eliminates the need to have three or four separate tools of various curvatures to do a complete hollowing job on a vessel.

There were a number of other hollowing tools available to look at and try out. Several members took advantage of the opportunity to try out the various tools and had discussions about their thoughts of the merits of each.



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any changes from previous years. The form will help us prevent errors in crediting dues payments and allow updating of the membership database as required. Make checks payable to Corridor Woodturners and turn in your check and form to David Kesler. If you want to send your dues renewal before the next meeting David's address is: 395 Red Fox Road S.E. Cedar Rapids, IA 52403

Showing your membership card will get a discount at many places turning supplies are sold including Acme Tools, Woodcraft and Woodsmith Stores.

Airport Display

If you have been in the shop turning new and exciting, (or not) items as Mother Nature has blessed us with blankets of snow and cold this past month and wish to display some of your handiwork, remember the airport display. The continual changing of the display items will keep interest up and allow frequent users of the airport interested in the display. Contact Kevin Bierman, David Kesler, Tom Nehl or Bruce Kruse for information and items you wish to add to the display. The items will be returned to their owners when the display is changed.

Officer Candidates

This slate of candidates will be presented for election at the March meeting to be officers for the following year

President—Bruce Kruse Vice President—Kevin Bierman Treasurer—David Kesler Secretary—John Cox Board Member—Tom Nehl Board Member—Stacy Nehl Board Member—Joe Lesko

McGowan House Ornaments

The event at McGowan House during the Christmas season was well received and made \$172 for the club. Many thanks to all who turned and donated ornaments for the project. They would like us return next year. This is something for club members to think about and possibly start earlier to turn ornaments if they wish to participate.

Empty Bowls Project

At the current time we are expecting to participate in the Empty Bowls project during the Marion Arts Festival in May. Bowls may be donated for this project at any meeting or to any board member. Those not sold will be returned to the club and used during Woodfest which we also a planning to participate at.

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

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.