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## Next Meeting

**Sunday September 8** will be this month's meeting and the annual picnic to be held at the shop of Tom and Stacy Nehl. The address is 1008 Rolling Glen Drive Marion, IA. This is just North of Linn Mar high school.

The festivities will start at 10:00 AM with open turning and the picnic at 3:00 PM. There will be an auction for wood and other items as well as a raffle for some other items. You are **asked to bring a chair** if you want to sit down for the picnic and **your own table service** as well as **something to share** for the picnic. The club is providing the hot dogs and hamburgers as well as the condiments, pop and cups.

For the open turning session, bring your own tools and face shield. We will have the grinder there for help on sharpening tools if you need it.

Last years picnic was a great time and the open turning session held earlier this year was well attended and busy most of the day.

The challenge projects will be on display with the makers describing how and why they chose them and the \$75 prize will be claimed by a drawing of those who have signed up and presented their projects.

## Last Meeting

The August meeting was all about finishing. David Kesler showed his method of pen finishing with CA glue. The pen blank is sanded down to 400 grit. Paper toweling is cut into small strips and folded into a pad. Boiled linseed oil is placed on the index finger and the paper pad is placed under the pen blank and the CA glue is applied at the top with a wiping motion down the blank. The linseed oil prevents any glue that may soak through the pad from sticking to your finger. This is done as many times as it takes to get a good build up of finish. Accelerator may be used to speed the drying if desired. A light sanding between coats with micro mesh may help even out the finish. Our website lists several sites to check out for other methods of using CA for a finish.

Kevin Bierman explained his method for using Antique Oil as a finish. Finishing gloves are recommended to keep the hands clean. The finish is applied with the turning off the lathe. A small pad of cloth is soaked with the



oil and then liberally applied to the bowl being sure to coat the entire surface. The oil is left on the bowl for a few minutes and then the excess is wiped off and left to dry overnight. The procedure is repeated

three or four times until the desired finish is obtained. Light sanding between coats to remove any drips or uneven areas may be needed. Kevin suggests that a small amount of oil be poured from the can into a small plastic cup for the actual use and then closing the original container to minimize evaporation. Also emphasized was the fact that the left over rags used to apply the finish are highly volatile if left in a pile in the workshop and could start a fire if left unattended. Kevin says he always spreads his cloths out to dry after use.

Wipe on poly was also talked about by Don Potter. The

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## From the President



August was a very busy month for the Corridor Woodturners. Our August Monthly Meeting attendance was high as we had a very well received discussion on Finishing Techniques and Processes. Thank you to Dean Sherman, Don Potter, Kevin Bierman and David Kesler in providing each of us some tips to improve the completed turnings.

Thank you to everyone who made time to attend and staff the CWT Booths at Woodfest 2012 in Amana – August 23, 24 and 25<sup>th</sup>. I know I had a great time visiting with club members as well as Woodfest attendees. I believe everyone who attended would voice the same theme. Thank you for your donations to the CWT. We as a club were able to cover the costs involved with attending Woodfest with some profits being able to be placed into our club treasury. Our success at Woodfest is just another reason that the Corridor Woodturners would not exist without you.

Our September Monthly Meeting - SUNDAY September 8, 2013 (not our normal 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month). Corridor Woodturners and Corridor Woodcrafters PICNIC – Sept 8<sup>th</sup> - 1008 Rolling Glen Dr Marion IA 52302 (319) 465-3743, The home and shop of Tom and Stacy Nehl. We will have the Challenge Project Drawing as well as a vast array of items silent auction items. Bring you money and take home some nice items! Read more about the picnic in the body of this newsletter.

Our next CWT Board Meeting will be September 19<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm at Hardee's BlairsFerry and Center Point Roads NE, Cedar Rapids.

Kevin Bierman is heading up the Eastern Iowa Airport – CWT Display. Bring your items to the meeting. It is our goal to have the display ready and set up at the Airport before end of September. See Kevin or any of the CWT Board Members is you would like to discuss further.

As always, let us know your interest(s). We will see what we can do to plan a meeting program around that subject.

We have a number of key promotional and club events which you should keep on your calendar.

Acme Tools Fall Sale in November – We will be passing on details in future newsletters.

Last and not least – The CWT and Corridor WoodCrafters Christmas Party, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at Antioch Christian Church – Marion IA. Both clubs are working to make the event as enjoyable as last year. I am not sure if Santa will be attending but we should have a great array of gifts for club members and guests!

Remember the CWT Website [www.corridorturners.org](http://www.corridorturners.org) is a great way to expose the CWT to interested individuals. The CWT Facebook site is available as well for access to the club.

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



Kevin Bierman- POM



Jim Bodin-Honey Locust-POM



Byron Bohnen -Deft -S&T



Gary Evarts-Maple and Purpleheart  
Salad bowl finish

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Greg Ellyson-Holly & African Black-  
wood- Lacquer and wax S&T



Jordan Ferr-S&T



Glenn Hunt-Palm-Poly-S&T



Greg Ellyson-Maple-ink markers-S&T



Ed Kalous-Walnut-Friction Polish-POM



Byron Bohnen-Butternut-S&T



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Gary Nosek-POM

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Harold Rosauer-Cherry & Blackwood-Lacquer



John Sandor-Cedar-Wipe on Poly-S&T



Jordan Ferr-Wipe on Poly-POM

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Stacy Nehl-Ash-Dye & Wipe on Poly-S&T



Joannie West- S&T



Paul Rohrbacher-Walnut-Mylands-S&T



Jim West-Ash-Wax-S&T



Dean Sherman-Spalted Elm-Salad bowl finish- S&T



Greg Ellyson-Acrylic-Wax-POM



Tom Mills-Snake wood & Eucalyptus-Lacquer & CA-S&T



Tom Nehl-Spanish Cedar-Dye & Wipe on Poly-POM



Harold Rosauer-Cherry Burl-Lacquer-S&T

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application techniques are pretty much the same as for the Antique Oil. However since the finish is so thin per coat many coats are required to achieve the proper finish. Don says as many as eight or nine coats may be needed to achieve the desired results. After the final coat the items are usually buffed out with the Beall buffing system.

Dean Sherman explained his favorite method of finishing bowls and vessels with salad bowl finish. This special finish has been



designed as food safe when cured and is quite durable. Dean indicated the two brands of finish he used are General Finishes salad bowl finish and Behlen Salad bowl finish. His suggestion is to buy your finish in the smallest can available so that it doesn't go bad before you use it up. Dean applies the finish with a pad made from an old tee shirt. A very clever method to keep the wet item suspended while it dries is a piece of an old broken band saw blade bent into a "V" shape. The bowl is set on the upturned teeth and when dry there is no trace of where it was sitting on the teeth. Here again proper disposal of the cloths used in applying the finish is very important.

### Airport Display

We are still working on the airport display project. Members are asked to bring a piece or two for use in the display, they will not be sold from the display and a periodic rotation of items will be maintained. The display will be secure and name card will indicate the maker of each item. A digital picture frame with changing pictures of club made items will also be included as well. It is hoped that this will be in place by the end of September.

### Wood Fest

Wood Fest was a great time for our club. With the donation of bowls, pendants, tops and other items by you the members, we were able to make the cost of the booth and more. Those members who turned during the show kept young and old alike supplied with tops and ideas for their own projects. Many folks stopped by the booth and asked questions about wood, type of finish, and techniques used to turn the many items on display for sale and those that were for show only.

We had two lathes in operation during the show and the



display case provided an area for top spinning. We sold in excess of 60 tops, some of which had been in our cabinets since the second or third meeting of the club back in 2007. Almost everyone who stopped by, young and old alike, had to give a top a spin.

As in years past there were those who inquired about the club and what we do, so there should be some new faces at our meetings in the future.



Never lose sight of the customer/user. Anything that is intended to be used must be usable.

### **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.