

HURON VALLEY WOODTURNERS

February 2015

Meeting Highlights

Executive forum occurred 2/13. Dan called our general business meeting to order at 1pm.

We discussed the supplies we have for sale and what we still need to order.

Gary, our raffle and Show and Tell man, resigned and requested that someone else step forward to take on these tasks. Al has agreed and Bruce, though he wasn't at this meeting, will still be the voice selling the raffle tickets. Thanks for the great job, Gary, and we really appreciate Bruce and Al's willingness to take on these tasks. Gary and Al did the raffle that brought in \$31. Maurice donated an out feed roller stand which was auctioned off for \$16. Al donated a chalkboard to the club which needs framing. Volunteers?

We had a guest, Peter, who is working with Russ.

Dan discussed the need for a mission statement and will bring one in next month that he can extract from the bylaws.

The group had a safety discussion in which Maurice talked about his recent incident with the band saw and Mitch talking about installing a "dead man" switch.

Jackie added the January minutes, club pictures, spotlight on Jeff, and snack schedule to our website. KUDOS to you, Jackie!! She will add the demonstration schedule, holiday pictures, and calendar for events to the website next. We also decided that the club bylaws might be placed on the website.

Maurice and Russ are collecting ideas about bringing in a world-renowned turner next fall. They will check the list of demonstrators at the AAW symposium as well as the Mark Adams School in Indiana and bring ideas back to the club. Also, club members are encouraged to contact them with ideas.

We passed the contact sheet around for further updating club demographic data and club dues payment.

The President's Challenge was any object turned on which a skew had been used. This brought out a whole host of interesting objects for the club to enjoy. John F showed us his maple piece that illustrated all the various cuts a skew can make. Mitch showed us his French rolling pin in which he had two interlocking Celtic knots. Art V showed his oak tab handle and Maurice his box elder vase with glass insert. Erica showed her warping crotch platter.



Snack Schedule

March: Mel

April: Jackie

May: Al

June: Mitch

July: Jose

August: Maurice

October: Tom

Nov: ?

Dec: ?

President's Challenge for February:

Pieces made with the roughing gouge

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For Show and Tell, Erik brought his black Carpathian vessel and told us that English walnut and elm are also called Carpathian. He also mentioned that one kind of walnut was named after his father. Dan displayed two natural or live edged bowls made out of Bartlett pear and ambrosia maple. Our guest, Pete, showed his hard maple bowl which he is still working on. And Mitch brought the segmented urn that he made for his father in law's cremains.



Our demonstration with Russ was two fold: We did a hands-on exercise using the spindle-roughing gouge, and we also learned how to turn a bead with a skew. John suggested we take a look at Richard Raffin's YouTube video on use of the skew and catches (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jOvF5f1phhY>)

And Jeff's wife made wonderful cookies for the club to share on the coldest day of the year.



Demonstration Schedule

<u>Month</u>	<u>Topics</u>	<u>Demonstrators</u>
March	the parting tool	Russ, John
April	the bowl gouge	Russ, John
May	bottle holder	Mitch
June	sanding	Richard
July	finishing	Richard
August	embellishment resin and wood	Tom
September	ring bowl and band saw	Karl
October	natural edge bowl	Jeff
November		
December		

