



# HURON VALLEY WOODTURNERS

July 2015

Executive Forum and Minutes from General Meeting (GM)  
7/19/2015

Dan called meeting to order at 11:30.

Mark gave the treasurer's report in great detail. Russ has been paid for the three months and Dan reimbursed for expenses. He gave the running amount of cash in the kitty.

We talked about the September picnic. Erica said that we don't need a committee. It will be a potluck and people will bring their own beverage. The club will buy the meat and buns. Erica will supply the plates, cutlery, and coffee. It will last from 1 to 4 the third Sunday in September, 9/20, and the day before, volunteers from our club will bring chain saws to cut wood to be shared on the day of the picnic.

We discussed the Holiday Sale. Erica checked with Dan Chapman who confirmed that we had the Crossroads Community Center on Webster Church Road for our sale on Dec. 5th and 6th. Dan sent in an edited paragraph on our sale to AAW to be published in the October issue of their journal. In the General meeting we talked about different other publicity options. Julie, Mitch's wife, agreed to head this effort. These options included: "I love Dexter.com (Shawn Dalton is the editor and Dan C has his phone number); The Dexter Patch (which we used last year,); The Ann Arbor News; WEMU.org, and the Ann Arbor Observer (in their calendar section,). In the General Meeting, the following were open to selling at this point: Bill Anderson, Jose Avila, Erica, Erik (we presume,) Joe Easley, Russ. Others may jump in later. This year, 20% will go to peer mentoring at the NKFM.

We also discussed needing to get clear on who will be demonstrating. We do not have anyone scheduled for next month. We will give names of potential demonstrators to Maurice to confirm who demonstrates when and what!! Potential demonstrators identified are Karl who agreed to demonstrate his ringmaster;

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***Don't forget***

***Club Picnic***

***September 20th,  
1-4pm at the  
home of Erica  
Perry!***

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**President's  
Challenge for  
August**

**A box**



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Mitch who has a design for wine holders and who also could demonstrate segmented work; Jeff Salter who told Erica and Russ that he could demonstrate “feet” after all the art fair hubbub was over; Bill Anderson was willing to demo his unique candle holders; and Mark said he would think about what he might demonstrate. John Fink has demonstrated in the past but might do so again if his schedule permitted. Maurice was not at the meeting so Erica will send him this information.

Dan K received a bill in a round about fashion for our website. Apparently Dave M is still the one receiving bills. At the GM we voted that the president now be the recipient of these invoices.

Mark suggested that we add monthly shop visits as a way for our club to get to know each other better and to share our individual designs, processes and strategies on our learning journey with wood turning. Both the forum and the GM unanimously agreed that would be welcome. We agreed that it would occur a Thursday evening, the first Thursday of every month, from 6:30 to 8pm. This will begin in August at Mark’s shop. He will send out directions.

Jose showed us how to turn on the monitors (one remote: press on, then press input). He then showed us how to turn on the VCR/DVD player and put in a DVD. We all agreed we needed to also set up the camera, but learning on that ended when we discovered the battery was dead.

Mark was the only person to both bring in a Show and Tell, his cherry bowl with a teak oil finish, and a President’s Challenge three sided candleholder. He won the gift certificate!

Bill brought up the possibility of entering the AA Art Fair, and Russ thought it might be easier if we were willing to demonstrate during the fair. John Fink also thought it was a possibility. There was the thought that the registration fee might be waived if we demonstrate.

John Fink brought up the possibility of joining the Gifts of Art program at University Hospital. Apparently there is a year waiting list. Erica volunteered to find out more about it.

Steve showed one of his pieces at the Fine Arts in Canton. It costs \$15 per piece.

Russ reminded the group that we had wanted to develop a DVD library and to bring in DVDs that we might have lying around.



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Mark then did the Demonstration, which he does so well, and went through the various steps he discussed and demonstrated last month. Then he spent more time focusing on showing us the Beall system of buffing with his mandrell and three buffing wheels using 1) Tripoli, 2) White Diamond and 3) Carnuba wax for polishing. He turns the buffing wheels between 800 and 1000. He also showed us how he can take the wheels apart and customize them for whatever object we are working on. He explains how to “charge” the wheels and advised “hold on tight.”

Mark suggested that the President’s Challenge for August be either a sphere or a box.... The GM decided on a box!

Many thanks to Mark for being willing to jump into a leadership role in our club in so many ways: treasurer, demonstrator, and innovator!

And thanks to Steve for taking pictures and Jackie for being our webmaster and posting pictures and minutes!

It was a very hot, buggy July Sunday so we got out a bit early!