

Newsletter

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The CMWA is a group of men and women from around the St. Cloud, Minnesota area who share a common interest in the art and business of woodworking and/or woodturning. We meet monthly and share information, techniques and topics of interest in the area of woodworking and/or woodturning.

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Offcuts... by Brad Knowles



Last month's willing show of hands to help man a booth at "The Woodworking Show" in December led me to notify them that we will be there. The show will be held at Canterbury Downs on December 3-5.

We will have one booth to man and will need a minimum of two people there continuously. I have divided the schedule into 2 shifts of 3 hours each for Friday (12:00 to 3:00 and 3:00 to 6:00) and Sunday (10:00 to 1:00 and 1:00 to 4:00), and 3 shifts for

Saturday (10:00 to 1:00, 1:00 to 4:00, and 4:00 to 6:00). This adds up to 7 shifts of 2 people or 14 people minimum.

The show requires us to give a brief presentation every hour to booth visitors on some aspect of woodworking. This will be something very simple that any of you can easily give (only one person in the booth needs to give the presentation). At the conclusion of our November meeting, we will be going over this presentation and also have the sign-up sheet available for those who will be participating. Please come prepared with your available days and time slots.

Those participating will get free admission to the show on the day that they are working the booth. When not in the booth, you may enjoy the show by visiting the exhibits and seminars.

Let's use this opportunity to showcase our club and recruit new members. Last year we got several new members for our effort, and had a great time at the exhibits and seminars.

Woodworkers' October Meeting

At October's meeting Tim Revis from Georgia presented on the evolution of the modern kitchen. The meeting was held at the new St. Cloud Public Library to a large group of people that included CMWA members and community members. We thank Tim Revis (on the right with Cy Valerius) for his fine presentation and the CMWA leadership for bringing Tim to St. Cloud.

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Woodturners' October Meeting (Gary Mrozek)

As mentioned in our October newsletter, representatives of the CMWA Woodturners Group met to consider detaching from the CMWA to form a Local Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW). The concerns included liability insurance for the club and the home or facility owner of the meeting or event location. Although the CMWA's insurance provider could provide the same coverage, the cost to the club members would be considerable. As a Chapter of the AAW liability insurance is provided at no additional cost to the chapter. In addition, as an AAW Chapter we would be a part of a network of nearly 14,000 members and 333 chapters, with five chapters in Minnesota. The AAW's offices are located in Landmark Center, St. Paul, MN. On June 24, 25 and 26 2011, St. Paul will host the AAW's 25th Anniversary Symposium. For those who follow the

woodturning journals and publications, the annual symposiums draw all the big names from around the world. The host state chapters have an opportunity to provide volunteers to staff this event with a portion of the profits returned to their Chapter. As an AAW Chapter, we have an opportunity to apply for annual Educational Outreach Grants (EOG) to fund various needs. With these and many other considerations, it was voted unanimously to pursue the AAW Local Chapter option. We are excited to announce, on October 23rd, we received notification that our application and bylaws were approved by the AAW to form the **Mid Minnesota Association of Woodturners**.

The Woodturners would like to thank the CMWA for their support over the last three years. The CMWA provided the opportunity to create this group. We hope to continue a close

relationship with the CMWA. Our annual membership dues will be \$20 and all woodturners are encouraged to continue their membership with the CMWA. Our fiscal year will run September through August to lessen the financial commitments we all experience each December/January. Monthly meetings will be held the second Saturday of each month at 9:00 am. The format of the meetings will continue to focus on hands-on education and promoting the craft. We are investigating options for a public location for future meetings and demonstrations. In the interim, our meeting notices will be posted on www.midmnwoodturner.blogspot.com.

Executive Board of the Mid Minnesota Association of Woodturners

Gary Mrozek – President
 Bill Baker – Vice President
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Upcoming Events

- November 13, Saturday, A beginners guide to turning a log into a bowl and basic techniques to finish the bottom of a bowl.
- November 17, Wednesday, Using Google Sketchup. The Board will meet at 6 pm prior to the Sketchup presentation.
- November 19, Friday, Art Crawl in St. Cloud. See www.artcrawlstcloud.com for more details.
- November 20, Saturday, 10-2pm, Empty bowls rough out event at Pont's Logging and Lumber.
- December 3 (12-6pm), 4 (10-6pm) and 5 (10-4pm), The Woodworking Show, Canterbury Park, 1100 Canterbury Road South, Shakopee, MN 55379. \$10. See cms.thewoodworkingshows.com for more details.
- December 15 and 18, Woodworkers' and Woodturners' holiday socials, respectively.

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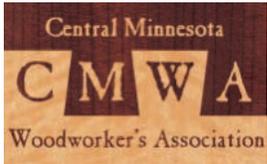
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Upcoming Meetings

Woodworkers

Sketchup presentation (Darren McKeever), Wednesday, November 17, 7 pm, Sauk Rapids-Rice Middle School. **Bring items for auction to raise money for the club.**



Woodturners

Turning a log into a bowl, Saturday, November 13, 9 am, Gary Mrozek's, 1314 West Oakes Drive, St. Cloud, MN. **Bring face shield if you plan to participate.**

