



# Newsletter

August 2013

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. We meet monthly and share information, techniques and topics of interest in the area of woodworking.

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## **Greetings from the CMWA President's Chair.** By Denny Myers

It's been awhile since we last got together as a club and there are some items to catch up on. The June meeting was the Art Crawl in the Rehearsal Hall at the Paramount. Charlie, Brad, John, Cy, Kurt and I hosted the grandfather clock. Charlie was our spokesman and had the clock case and movement ready for viewing, Brad demonstrated his carving skills working on the flames for the finials, Cy kept busy with the scrapers while John and I turned columns and finials. Kurt and Cy did a wonderful job putting together information, drawings and pictures of the clock. We had lots of people stop by and ask questions. Charlie told me later that quite a few of our members stopped as well. I took a brief walk on St. Germain and heard people commenting about the clock. Tony Goddard, Chairman of the Board for the Paramount and Melissa Gorman, Director of the Visual Arts Center also stopped for a visit. Also at the Art Crawl was Bill Sampson who was set up outside the Rehearsal Hall with his new General scroll saw and a table showcasing his excellent work. Bill has been a great addition to the Art Crawl. Our club was well represented and made the Art Crawl a success for us.

June was our planning month. The Board of Directors gathered at my shop and came up with great ideas for the 2014 club activities and Art Crawls. More on our proposed activities during the August meeting.

Friday after the big storm, Brad and I drove up to Fergus Falls to attend an auction with many woodworking tools available. Charlie Gunderson was working the auction but had enough time to visit. WOW! Be sure to ask Brad about the great deal he made on the scroll saw.

July's meeting was to be our annual picnic and an opportunity to see Devin's CNC operation. Unfortunately we had to cancel. Not enough people signed up. Maybe we can impose on Devin to visit and watch him in operation.

Charlie, Brad and I met with Melissa and her assistant, Darren to view and photograph the embellishments in the lobby and theater of the Paramount. Our purpose was to gather some ideas to 'gussy-up' the other clock we are building for the Paramount. Melissa and Darren provided some interesting history and a few ghost stories during the tour. Another meeting with Melissa resulted in her offering to facilitate our public relations effort to include an interview by the St. Cloud Times and some Public Service Announcements only if we wrote the PSA. Sooo! Charlie, Brad and I met with Rollie at his shop and acted as Rollie's cheerleaders as he wrote up the PSA. That man does some fine work.

While vacationing in the state of Virginia, Charlie Meyer was able to acquire a very nice walnut crotch that he and Rollie cut into veneer. Charlie will use two pieces for the base and mid section of the clock. We were able to finish the finials, columns and quarter columns and have the case ready for viewing during the August Art Crawl. Our clock will be on  
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display in the granite portion of the lobby of the Paramount. The August Art Crawl is scheduled for August 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9 am until 9 pm. Charlie, Brad and I will be there all day. Anyone interested in helping out please give me a call or send me an e-mail via the webpage.

Members will have an opportunity to see the clock and ask Charlie questions during "Show-n-Tell" at the meeting. Bill Sampson will demonstrate his virtuosity with the scroll saw at our August meeting.

I believe this clock is something for our club to be proud of. Thanks to all.

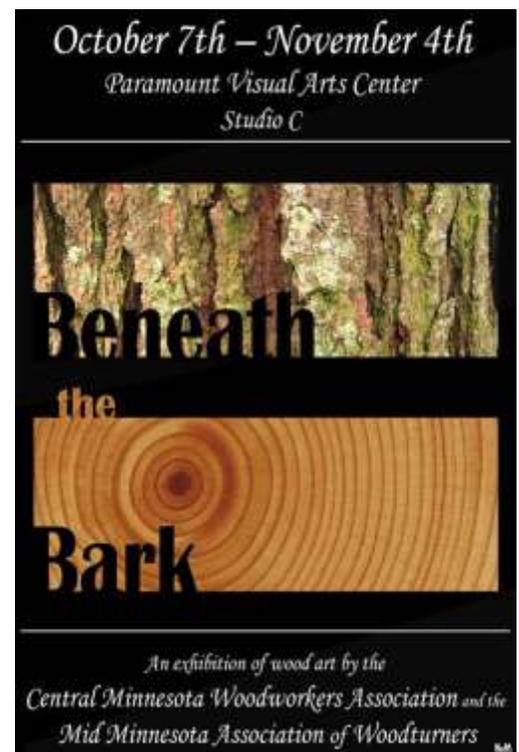
Looking forward to seeing you at the next club meeting on August 21st.

Denny Myers

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The Mid Minnesota Association of Woodturners (MMAW) and the Central Minnesota Woodworkers Association (CMWA) are sponsoring a public exhibition of wood at the Paramount Visual Arts Center October 7th through November 4th, 2013. "Beneath the Bark" will be displayed in Studio "C". Members of both clubs are invited to show three piece of their finest work. This is not a juried show. All skill levels are welcome. Once we know how many members are interested in displaying, we may make adjustments to the number of pieces you may display. Please respond to Gary Mrozek [gary@treesremembered.com](mailto:gary@treesremembered.com) to express your interest. Each piece entered will require a description of the piece and pictures if available. The description along with your name will be used to make the cards that will be displayed with your items. Watch for more information.





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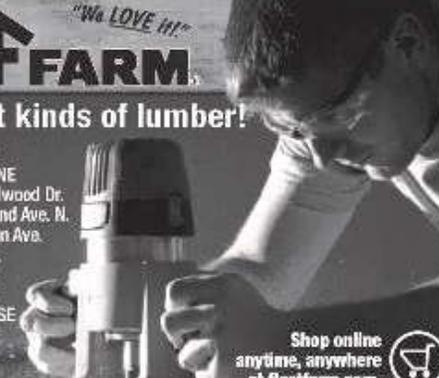
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