

# Cedar Valley Woodworkers

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Hello Fellow Woodworker's,

July is almost over and so is summer. When I was told by friends, I would be busier when I retired, I did not believe them. I am here to say, I was wrong, they were right. (which is very hard for me to admit). I was thinking of all the projects I started and planned to finish this summer. A garage roof, Bourbon Cabinet (for state fair), updating our gnome garden, and traveling with my wife, a garden, the list goes on. I guess I need to get busy saying no to projects like the library. We finally delivered it and now we are waiting for the electricians to do their job and install it next week or sometime. I do appreciate all the people that helped with this big undertaking. We had no idea it would be this massive of a project. We got to know each other better, teased each other and used our woodworking passion for the good of the library which will be used for years to come. We learned a lot about counting the cost before we say yes next time. I want to say again a big thank you to Steve Crouse for doing all the drafting and engineering of this project so it would be done right. The rest of you that made the trips to my place week after week to work on it. We will get money for the club and for donating all those hours of our time. Job well done, soon, I hope. July  $29^{\text{th}} - 31^{\text{st}}$  is assembling time.

If you get to go to the State Fair, make sure you check out all the wood projects entered. There are so many talented woodworkers out there. I got honorable mention last year for my chess board which was an honor when you see all the entries. Mark Widdel

Even though I won't be able to enter this year it is a great experience. Try it once and represent our club so we can brag about you being a member here.

Here is a reminder to get going on the bird house. We provide wood, you provide the creativity. It can be functional or nonfunctional. My wife Teddy is further along than I am. I hope to catch her once this library project is done. We will have our picnic in September so it will not be judged until October. The poor birds will have to wait or become snowbirds and come back next spring.

Our guest speaker for August is Bernie Kluesner. He builds toys, farm equipment and construction toys. He has been doing this for 30 years. Let's get ready for winter presents for the kids! Winter is around the corner, oh my I better get a trip planned with my wife before summer is up or I will have to build me a doghouse! Lol!

With that it is by for now and as always make sawdust and save your digits!

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Mark Widdel

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# Calendar

#### August

NEXT Club Meeting Tuesday August 13,2024 AT The Waterloo Center for the ARTS 220 COMMERCIAL ST at 6:30 Speaker Bernie Kluesner He makes miniature wooden farm implements . The next Executive Board meeting Tuesday 20 August 2024 at 7 PM at Dave Turner's home 430 Prospect Waterloo

Corridor Wood turners meeting Thursday August 15 2024 at 6:30 at the Marion High School Wood Shop

#### September

Club Meeting Annual Club Picnic September 8,2024 AT Island Park in Cedar Falls

#### More INFO BELW

The next Executive Board meeting Tuesday 17 September. 2024 at 7 PM at Dave Turner's home 430 Prospect Waterloo Corridor Wood turners meeting Thursday September 12 2024 at 6:30 at the Marion High School Wood Shop.

### **October**

NEXT Club Meeting Tuesday October 8, 2024 AT The Waterloo Center for the ARTS 220 COMMERCIAL ST at 6:30 PM Speaker: TBA

The next Executive Board meeting Tuesday 15 October 2024 at 7 PM at Dave Turner's home 430 Prospect Waterloo Corridor Wood turners meeting Thursday October 10, 2024 at 6:30 at the Marion High School Wood Shop

# **Editors Notes**

Annual Picnic & Shop Tours Sunday September 8, 2024

The picnic will be held at Shelter 1 (N. W. corner in Island Park in Cedar Falls). The picnic will start at 1:00. What to bring to Picnic A hot OR cold dish to share (with serving spoon if needed).

The club will provide BBQ Pork Loin for sandwiches, buns and condiments. You need to bring your own table service and your favorite drink.

> 1<sup>st</sup> Tour Mark Dutton 409 E State St Dike 2<sup>nd</sup> Tour Don Diestler 1520 Williston Waterloo

> 3<sup>rd</sup> Tour Matt Mulnix 2608 Laurel St

There will be a sign up at the July and August Meetings.

**REMEMBER: SPOUSES ARE INVITED** 

# CVWA Club Meeting Minutes 9 July 2024

President Mark Widdel called the meeting to order promptly at 6:30 PM.

<u>49</u> Members <u>1</u> new members and <u>6</u> guests were present: New Member: David Eckert

Guest: Gunner Widdel, Mark Stanley, Dennis Cordes & Mark

# Thank you to:

John Gilbert for making the coffee. John Gilbert, Matt Mulnix and Kenny Walleser for providing treats.

# Announcements:

Midwest Scroll Saw & Woodworking Trade Show – August 2 & 3 at the Dubuque County Fairgrounds, 14569 Old Hwy Rd., Dubuque, IA

**Club Picnic** – Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> at 'Island Park. The 'Sign-up' sheet is at the front table. The club will provide smoked pork loin sandwiches, buns and condiments. Members are to bring a dish to share (serving utensil, if needed), their own service and drinks. Shop tours will follow.

Bird House Challenge: build a bird house from pallet wood, which is provided. There are two categories, 1.) functional – a house that a bird would live in;
2.) non-functional – a house that is strictly decorative. The bird houses will be judged at the Oct 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. Please sign the 'Sign-up' sheet so we will know how many to prepare for. All bird houses will be given away at the annual Christmas party.

Waterloo Public Library Update: A slide presentation of the counter that is being made for the WPL was shown. This Thursday & Friday, we're planning on applying a sander sealer and 2 coats of poly. Plans are to install the counter July 24<sup>th</sup> thru August 1<sup>st</sup>.

**CVWA Hats & Shirts -** are available to be picked up here at the meeting.

## National Cattle Congress:

- We will have a display at the NCC, September  $18^{th} 22^{nd}$ .
- We'll have 3 opportunities for you to get your items to display to our booth:

Bring them to the club's picnic. <u>Bring them to the booth</u> on Tues., the  $17^{th}$ , between 2 – 6:30 PM. Bring them to the booth on Wed.

- We, CVWA, will again have scroll saw demonstrations
- Tickets to enter NCC will be provided to all the members who are part of the demonstration and those who are displaying items.

# Winners of Monthly Raffle:

**Tool 1:** Tom Tackenberg – Socket set **Tool 2:** Steve Robb – Magnetic wristband

# Show and Tell Items included:

John Hix – CNC map of Waterloo & Cedar Falls Jeanine Begalske – Intarsia of a baby angel Reed Craft – Mantel clock Bob Hewitt – Wood stool Gunner Widdel – Turned wood baseball bat Kevin Gade – Turned cherry burl bowl

Club Members Announcements: Jim Burkhardt – Tool Sale at his home. Aug. 1-3 Thomas James – Logs for Sale

**The program was presented by:** Steve & Sara Dewey – making furniture and other items.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned:  $8{:}00\ \mbox{PM}$ 

# Respectfully submitted,

Steve Robb, Secretary

# Cedar Valley Woodworkers Executive Board Meeting Minutes 16 July 2024

Meeting called to order by President Mark Widdel at 7 P.M. at Dave Turner's home.

# Additions to the agenda were made and approved.

## **Members Present:**

Stephen Crouse, Reed Craft, John Gilbert, Dennis Gilroy, Gene Knief, Rod Lair, Steve Robb, Dave Turner, Mark Widdel & Jim Wikle

**Treasurer's Report:** Reed Craft presented the monthly Treasurer's Report. Membership is now 77. While Reed was explaining the expenses that were paid, there was a question regarding gift cards, the value of the card and the number of cards that were to be purchased. The Board decided that 5 cards, in the amount of \$20.00 each should be purchased for the giveaway. Motion to approve the report was made by Dennis Gilroy. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Wikle. Approved.

#### **Cedar Valley Woodworkers Association**

**Secretary's Report:** Steve Robb presented the monthly Secretary's Report. Motion to approve was made by Dave Turner. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis Gilroy. Approved.

#### Agenda:

**Projector:** Steve Crouse presented 3 options. No decision was made at this meeting.

Library Desk: Steve Crouse reported to the board that he has received an email from WPL that gives a tentative schedule for the desk to be brought to and installed at the WPL. (The email is on file.)

#### **Cattle Congress:**

NCC Dates: September 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>.
Members can bring their projects, for display at the NCC, to the club's picnic.
Opportunities for members to bring their projects to CVWA booth in the AG bldg.:

Bring them to the booth on Tues.,

the 17<sup>th</sup>, between 2 – 6:30 PM. Bring them to the booth on Wed. Members' projects are to be picked up Sunday afternoon, or from Reed later.

CVWA, will again have scroll saw demonstrations

Tickets to enter NCC will be provided to all the members who are part of the demonstration and those who are displaying items.

#### **Meeting Programs:**

Aug 13<sup>th</sup> – Bernie Kluesner of Dyersville. Wood Farm Implements Sept 8<sup>th</sup> – Club Picnic

**Tours:** Oct 10<sup>th</sup> Schumacher Elevator Company, Denver, Iowa at 9:00 AM

#### Recap on CVWA Logo wear:

Last order has been placed. The owner has said they will sew the CVWA logo onto any members garment for \$10.00/ garment.

Club Picnic: (SPOUSES & SIGNIFICANTS ARE INVITED! )

The picnic is 08 Sep '24 at 1:00 PM at Island Park.

The club will provide smoked pork loin sandwiches, buns and condiments. Mark Widdel will prepare the meat. Members are to bring either a hot or dish to share (serving utensil, if needed), their own service and favorite drinks. Dennis Gilroy will have signup sheets at the next meeting. 3 shop tours lined up: Mark Dutton – 409 E State, Dike Don Diestler – 1520 Williston, Waterloo

Matt Mulnix – 2608 Laurel St., Waterloo

**Donated 'Woodcraft' gift card:** card should be used to by tools for the club.

**Women's Raffle:** should be kept in mind when buying tools for the raffle.

**Membership:** Ways to increase membership – tabled until next month.

**Next Executive Board Meeting date:** Aug 20<sup>th</sup> at Dave Turner's home.

Newsletter Deadline: July 26th

Motion to Adjourn: 8:29 PM

**Respectfully Submitted,** 

Steve Robb, Secretary

# Cattle Congress Display

# **Information**

As in past years Cedar Valley Woodworker members may display items made in their shop at the National Cattle Congress. The Cattle Congress Fair will begin on Wednesday September18 and run thru Sunday September22.

Members may bring their items to the Ag building on Monday Sept 16 10:00 Am.. to 3:00 Pm. Or on Tuesday, Sept 17 from 2::00 Pm. to 7:00 Pm..

Items may be brought to the picnic and Reed will take them to the NCC display. Everyone who provides one or more items will get a free ticket to the MCC Fair.

We will have a scroll saw operating as a display, as we did last year. Volunteers are needed to help cutting out small items and visiting with the public.

For questions call Reed Craft 319-234-8537

# **Show and Tell**





Above Left: Mantel Clock by Reed Craft

**Above Right:** CNC Map of Waterloo @ Cedar Falls by Jon Hix

Below: Intarsia of Baby Angel by Jeanie Begalske



# **Show and Tell**





Above Left: Baseball Bat by Gunner Widdel
Above Right: Stool by Bob Hewlitt
Below Left: This Months Speakers Steve and Sara Dewey
Below Right: Turned Cherry Burl Bowel by Kevin Gade





List of Mentors for Club Members. I believe the mentor's time is free, but the person being mentored is expected to cover any material costs.

Canoe/Kayak construction, Chip Schmidt, 277-8504, cschmidt@cfu.net

Has the Ability to figure MOST problems out—Dick Buchanan, 277-2477, rbuchanan@cfu.net

Furniture and Cabinet Building, Jerry Krug, 475-2391, jandjkrug@gmail.com

Classes and Services for Pay by Fellow Club Members

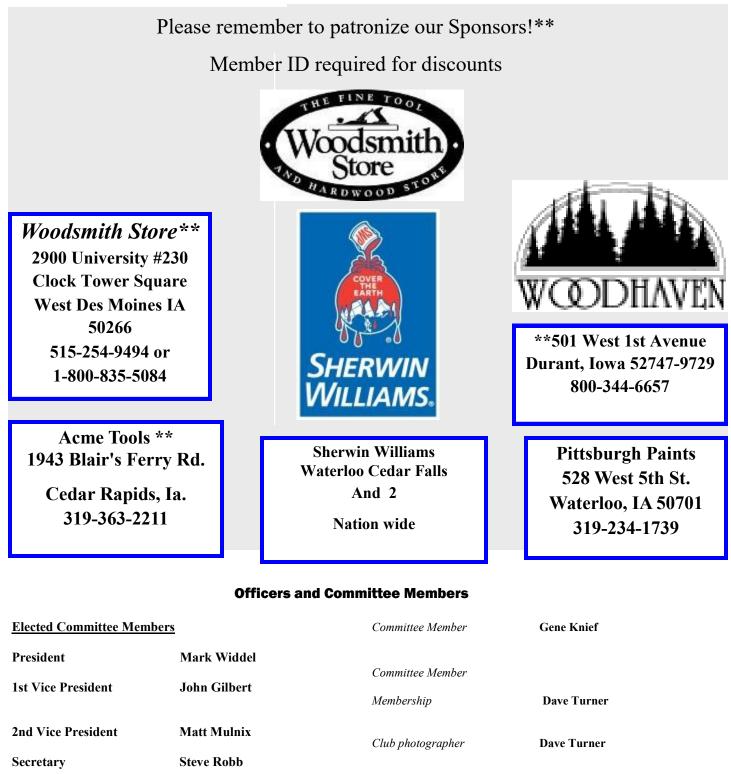
Carl Leavell 319-233-4491 Sharpening Service

# NEW PATTERN TEMPLATE LIBRARY

Your executive board has developed a new loaner program that might be of interest to each of you. Though the contribution of several different individuals the following full size templates are available for check-out by club members:

Nativity sets: Rocking horse: Two different doll cradles Mission Wall Clock #49586. Size-21 1/8"H X 14 1/2" W X 6 1/4" D Mission Mantel Clock #49584. Size 16 5/8" H X 12 3/4" H X 5 3/4" D Mirrored Mantel Clock #49606. Size 16" H X 10" W X 7" D Atkins Mantel Clock #49643. Size 34" H X 12" W X 6 7/8" D Carrington Mantel Clock # 49673. Size 12 1/4" H X 9 1/2" W X 5" D Bedford II Mantel Clock #49004. Size 10 1/2" H X 18" W X 7 3/8" D Key Cabinet Wall Clock # 49028. Size 14 1/2" H X 10" W X 4 1/2" D Dearborn Regulator Wall Clock #49604. Size 18 1/8" H X 11 3/8" W X 4 1/2" D Mirror & Coat Rack #49199. Size 48 3/4" H X 26 1/4" W X 8" D Colonial Desk #435. 48" Wide– 8 drawers Assorted Bird Houses

Should any of you have a pattern template set that your willing to share, call a board member



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John Gilbert

Jim Wikle

Treasurer

Reed Craft

Appointed Committee Members Committee Members

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