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Rod Lair

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Presidents Corner

What are you making in your workshop? I always like to ask people at the club meetings that question to see what is going on. We have a lot of talented people in the club and its fun to here about their projects. It gives me some inspiration (well, if Dave is working on something, maybe I should too).

All for now.....happy woodworking.

President CVWA

Rod Lair

It's a busy time of the year. There are church services, concerts, plays, basketball games, wrestling matches, and parties to attend. Lots of fun. Oh, I almost forgot....some people have full time jobs.

These all take time away from the shop. I have three small projects in the hopper for Christmas, but I'm on track to get them done and the varnish dry by the 25th.

Cancelation Policy

*Cedar Valley
woodworkers meetings
will be canceled when
Waterloo Schools are
canceled on the same
day de to weather*

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At the November meeting, we had a couple people bring projects in response to the candy dispenser challenge I issued earlier this year. Mark Widdel gave me his version. It needed a little work. It had a slot for a quarter to go in, but no way for the candy (or quarter) to come out. I made some modifications and will bring it to the Christmas party for your review. I hope you are working on a dispenser design and bring it to the Potluck for judging.

The Christmas potluck is on 13 December at the Waterloo Center for the Arts (WCA). Be sure and bring some food to share and a project (or projects) to display. It's always a good time and we have lots of nice raffle prizes and guest gifts this year.

This will be my last meeting as president. Mark Widdel takes over in January. The January meeting will be 09 January '24 at the WCA. We will have a presenter speaking about pyrography (wood burning).

Calendar

December

Next Club Meeting **Annual Christmas Party December 13,2023** *SEE EDITORS CORNER FOR ALL THE INFO.*

The next Executive Board meeting **Tuesday 19 December. 2023** at 7 PM at Dave Turner's home 430 Prospect Waterloo

Corridor Wood turners meeting **Thursday December 14 2023** at 6:30 at the Marion High School Wood Shop.

January

NEXT Club Meeting **Tuesday January 9, 2024** AT The Waterloo Center for the ARTS 220 COMMERCIAL ST at 6:30

January speaker is Billie Oldakowski talking about Pyrography

The next Executive Board meeting **Tuesday 16, January 2024** at 7 PM at Dave Turner's home 430 Prospect Waterloo

Corridor Wood turners meeting **Thursday January 11, 2024** at 6:30 at the Marion High School Wood Shop

February

NEXT Club Meeting **Tuesday February 13,2024** AT The Waterloo Center for the ARTS 220 COMMERCIAL ST at 6:30
speaker TBA

.The next Executive Board meeting **Tuesday 20 February 2024** at 7 PM at Dave Turner's home 430 Prospect Waterloo

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

Editors Corner

November

Annual Meeting during the club meeting, be sure to bring questions or changes you would like to see to the meeting

December

2023 Christmas Party

The annual Christmas Party / Potluck will be held on Wednesday, December 13th. This meeting will be in the Schoitz banquet room on the west end of the Waterloo Center for the Arts. The Club will be providing your place setting and drink. Members need to bring a hot and cold dish to share, plus a **servicing spoon**, if needed. **We will be starting promptly at 6:30.**

We encourage Club Members to bring a project for show and tell. There will be 7 categories: furniture, fretwork (scroll saw), intarsia, turning, carving, toys, and misc. **If you want your project voted on, it should be brought in by 6:00 so that voting can begin promptly at 6:15.** The first round of voting will end at 6:30 when we start our meal. After everyone has gone through the food line once, voting will continue. Members and their guest will vote on each show and tell category, plus one for the People's Choice Award.

Remember to bring your dues (\$30). If you pay your dues by the end of the year, you have a chance to win a free membership for 2024. Tickets for door prizes will be handed out to members and their guests. Good luck to everyone!!

Hope to see you all at the party!

CVWA Club Meeting Minutes 14 November 2023

President Rod Lair called the meeting to order promptly at 6:30 PM.

63 Members, 0 new members and 1 guest were present:
Guest: Rosemary Robinson

Thank you to:

Terry Duckworth, Dennis Gilroy & Jerry Krug for providing treats.
John Gilbert for making the coffee.

Announcements:

Rod Lair:

After presenting to those present at the meeting, approximately 25 members liked the idea that we should have a club tee shirt and cap. The board will now look into resources and pricing and report back at the January membership meeting.

Various members have items for sale, or that are free:

Carl Leavell – walnut logs for sale
Carol Robinson – drill bits for sale
Jim Fitkin – Glue tubes - Free
Dave Turner – Sandpaper – Free
Friend of Pete Cullum – Table saw for sale
Friend of Tom James – Tools for sale
Chip Schmidt – Stand - Free

Please be sure to bring a project to the Christmas party.

Dennis Gilroy - Christmas Party

The Christmas Party is Wednesday Dec. 13th in the 'Schoitz' room, on the west side of this building.

Sign-up sheet, so we know how many to setup for.

5:30 - 6 PM - Bring in your projects.

6:15 - Vote on projects

6:30 PM Eat

Spouses/Guests are welcome.

Members are to bring in both a Hot and Cold Dish and Serving Spoons if needed.

Plates, eating utensils, and drinks are provided by the club. (Coffee, sodas & water)

Annual CVWA Meeting: Called to order at 6:38 PM by President Ron Lair

Any old business: None was presented.

New Business: Election of 2024 officers:

President Rod Lair presented the ballot of officers for 2024 and asked for any other nominations for any of the positions. Hearing none, the vote was called for:

President – Mark Widdel

Vice-President – John Gilbert

2nd Vice-President – Matt Mulnix

An oral vote was taken, with no nays – Mark Widdel, John

Gilbert & Matt Mulnix were elected for 2024.

President Lair asked again if there was any old business, or new business. Hearing none, the annual meeting was closed at 6:41 PM.

Dues for 2024: Your 2024 dues, \$30 for a single, or \$40 for a family membership and if Reed Craft has received your dues before 31 December 2023, or your envelope is postmarked before midnight of 31 December 2023, your name will be added to the drawing for a free 2024 membership. The drawing will be part of the January general membership meeting.

Candy Dispenser Challenge – bring your dispenser to the Christmas party.

Winners of Monthly Raffle:

Tool 1: John Hix – digital calipers

Tool 2: Don Diestler – duct tape combination with 3/4" masking tape

Show and Tell Items included: (PowerPoint for Dean Schmitt)

Kevin Gade – Stuffed chair

Hawkwen Mulnix – Chair & a rifle pen

Steve Crouse – Box built for his gun safe to sit on.

John Hix – Wood case for his cellphone

Lynn Barnes – Candy dispenser w/ clown face and a donation box in the shape of a piano

Bob Anderson – Recipe box

Mark Widdel – Candy dispenser and a vertical chess board castle and all pieces

Rod Lair – Jacob's ladder and a kid's dollar toy

Dean Schmitt – Walnut dinner table PowerPoint

The program was presented by: Britt Morris with 'General Finishes'

The speaker at our January 24th meeting is Billie Oldakowski on pyrography.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned: 8:12 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Robb, Secretary

Cedar Valley Woodworkers Executive Board Meeting Minutes 21 November 2023

Meeting called to order by President Rod Lair at 6:58

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P.M. at Dave Turner's home.

Present:

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

Members

Treasurer's Report: Reed Craft presented the monthly Treasurer's Report. After some clarification to some category titles, a motion to approve was made by Steve Robb. 2nd by Dave Turner. Approved.

Secretary's Report: Steve Robb presented the monthly Secretary's Report. Motion to approve was made by Reed Craft. 2nd by Steve Crouse. Approved.

Agenda:

November Meeting Recap: Attendance: 62;

New: 0: Guest: 1, Rosemary Robinson **Raffle: \$120; Program: OK**

Tee Shirts & Caps: With approximately 25 members showing interest in club apparel, Dave Turner & Steve Robb will get pricing, etc. on caps and T-shirts.

John Gilbert has taken over Milo Meads duties for arranging for treats and coffee for the membership meetings.

Discussion on how to pass onto a member the 'Woodpeckers' gift:

Motion made by Rod Lair to have a fundraiser for the 'Woodpeckers' square. 2nd by Mark Widdel. A vote was called after some discussion. Yea:6/Nay:4 Approved

Motion made by Mark Widdel for the 'Woodpeckers' square fundraiser to be held at the January & February 2024 general meetings and the drawing to be part of the February meeting.

Those who buy a ticket or tickets need to sign their name on the back of the tickets.

The winner does not need to be present to win.

2nd by Matt Mulnix. Approved.

Motion made by Steve Crouse for the tickets to be \$2.00/ticket. 2nd by Matt Mulnix. Approved.

Discussion on 2024 Challenges

Discussion on doing a 'Silent Auction', in the spring, for the table saw sled that is used to make segmented bowls. The sled was made & donated by Kevin Gade.

Next general membership meeting is 09 January 2024. The presenter is Billie Oldakowski on pyrography (electrical wood burning.) Dave will check with Billie on what equipment is needed for her presentation.

Next board meeting is December 19th at Dave Turner's shop.

Christmas Party Planning: Assignment of duties were made.

2024 Meeting Programs: Open

Recap of Annual Meeting: President: Mark Widdel; 1st VP: John Gilbert; 2nd VP: Matt Mulnix

Confirming the number of gifts for spouses and significant others.

Newsletter Deadline: Nov 27th

Motion to Adjourn: 8:26 PM

**Respectfully Submitted,
Steve Robb, Secretary**

Show and Tell



Above : Vertical Chess Board Castle with all the Pieces by Mark Widdel

Show and Tell



Above Left: Box Built for Gun Safe to Sit on by Steve Crouse

Above Right: Upholstered Chair by Kevin Gade

Below Left: Chair by Hawken Mulnix

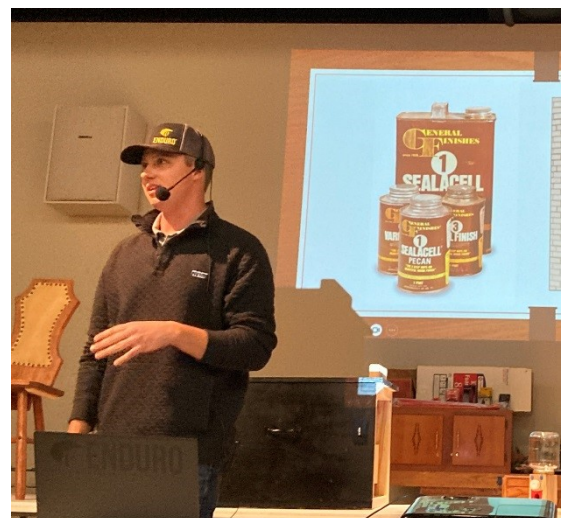
Below Right: Donation Box Shaped like a Piano by Lynn Barnes
Not pictured here Dean Schmitt's power point presentation on his Walnut Dinner Table



Show and Tell



Above Left: Wooden Cell Phone Case by Jon Hix
Above Right: Childs Dollar Game by Rod Lair
Below Left: Recipe Box by Bob Anderson
Below Right: This months Speaker Britt Morris from General Finishes.



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
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 Bedford II Mantel Clock #49004. Size 10 1/2" H X 18" W X 7 3/8" D
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 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

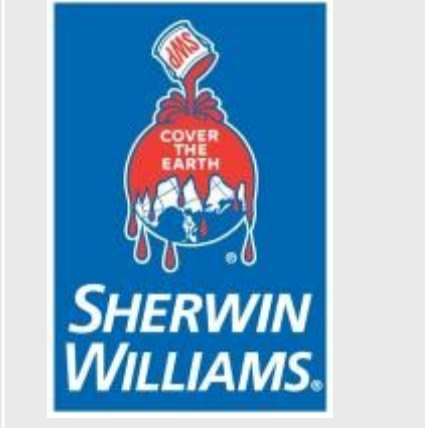
Should any of you have a pattern template set that your willing to share, call a board member

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Officers and Committee Members

Elected Committee Members

President	Rod Lair	<i>Committee Member</i>	
1st Vice President	Mark Widdel	<i>Membership</i>	Dave Turner
2nd Vice President	John Gilbert	<i>Club photographer</i>	Dave Turner
Secretary	Steve Robb	<i>Refreshment Chairman</i>	Milo Mead
Treasurer	Reed Craft	<i>Newsletter</i>	Jim Wikle

Appointed Committee Members

Committee Members

Committee Member **Milo Mead**
Committee Member **Dennis Gilroy**

Committee Member **Gene Knief**