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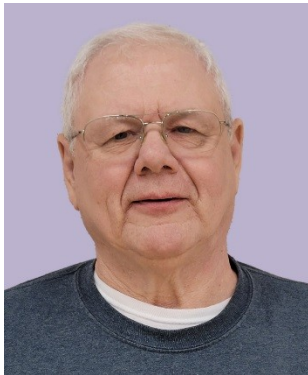
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Presidents Corner

! I made a piggy bank out of pinewood and brought it in for "Sow & Tell" at the last CVWA meeting. My Kiwanis Club commissioned me to construct it and were very delighted and gladly accepted it. My wife liked it also and she encouraged me to make another one for my grandson only in a smaller version. I rounded up some ash and walnut wood from our former CVWA secretary Steve Robb who moved away and I'm in the process of that creation.

Dave Turner wanted to take a step back in arranging the monthly speakers, videos, or tours that I'm now filling that vacancy. If you have any input or ideas about a future speaker or videos you think would be of interest to the club, please share your suggestion with me and I'll do the research to see if we can make it happen. Currently, I'm researching the feasibility for an Amana day trip & tour with spouses to the furniture factory, an Amanas meal and ending up at the Woodcraft store in Iowa City sometime in July. It should be a fun event for everybody! Let me know if you have some thoughts on it.

The planned Summer Tool & Project Yard Sale has been placed on temporary hold.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 13th at Island Park in Cedar Falls will be the Annual CVWA Potluck Picnic. It is always a good time for food, fun & fellowship. If you have a question, check with Mark Widdel.

We will need your "Show & Tell" type projects for the Annual National Dairy Cattle Congress coming September 24-27th. Also, we need some

volunteer CVWA ambassadors for scroll saw demonstrations and answer questions during Cattle Congress. See Reed Craft if you can assist in this area.

We need your new or even vintage woodworking projects for our CVWA Display on the 2nd Floor Showcase September 1st – October 31st that will highlight the Club's Talent & Creativity. You may add or subtract your projects during the 2 months highlighting your hand-I-work to the world and perhaps we may garner new members. If you have any questions, please see Rod Lair who is spearheading this endeavor.

We probably should start thinking about making spouses gifts for the Christmas Potluck coming in December so there won't be any last-minute surprises.

Our next speaker for the June CVWA Meeting is Dan Risse from Waverly. He will be presenting the topic about working with epoxy finishes and how to get the most from them.

Be Safe, Have Fun and Happy Woodworking!

President

CVWA

Lynn Barnes

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Calendar

June 2026

Next Club Meeting **Tuesday June 9, 2026** AT The Waterloo Center for the ARTS 220 COMMERCIAL ST at 6:30

Speaker Dan Risse Discussing Epoxy Finishes

The next Executive Board meeting **Tuesday 16 June 2026** at 7 PM at Cedar Falls Public Library 524 Main Cedar Falls Cedar

Corridor Wood turners meeting **Thursday June 11, 2026** at 6:30 at the Marion High School Wood Shop

July 2026

NEXT Club Meeting **Tuesday July 14, 2026** AT The Waterloo Center for the ARTS 220 COMMERCIAL ST at 6:30 PM

Speaker TBA

The next Executive Board meeting **Tuesday July 21, 2026** at 7 PM at Cedar Falls Public Library 524 Main Cedar Falls

Corridor Wood turners meeting **Thursday July 16, 2026** at 6:30 at the Marion High School Wood Shop

August 2026

NEXT Club Meeting **Tuesday August 11, 2026** AT The Waterloo Center for the ARTS 220 COMMERCIAL ST at 6:30

Speaker TBA

The next Executive Board meeting **Tuesday 18, August 2026** at 7 PM at Cedar Falls Public Library 524 Main Cedar Falls

Corridor Wood turners meeting **Thursday August 13, 2026** at 6:30 at the Marion High School Wood Shop

Editors Notes

CVWA New Member Campaign 2026:

Be a sponsor bring a guests when your guest joins the club, you get 5 raffle tickets for a tool drawing in 2026. You can use the tickets or give them to the new member.

Questions: contact Rod Lair or any board member.

It's that time of year.....

Weather Cancellation Policy Cedar Valley woodworkers meeting will be cancelled when Waterloo Schools are cancelled on the same day due to weather.

CVWA Club Meeting Minutes 12 May 2026

President Lynn Barnes called the meeting to order promptly at 6:30 PM.

34 Members, 0 new members, and 0 guests were present:

Thank you to:

Keith Johns and Craig Johns and Jerry Krug for furnishing treats.
Rod Lair and John Gilbert for making coffee.

Announcements: Lynn Barnes, President
Need nominations for 1st Vice President & 2nd Vice President. Milo Mead is new secretary.

CVWA Board Meeting is next Tuesday the 19th at the CF Public Library 2nd floor Conference Room at 7:00 PM.

Floor Display Case at the CF Library is reserved Sept 1st to Oct 31st. Need projects for the case both for Cattle Congress and for library display.

Summer CVWA outdoor tool sale TBD. 10% of proceeds goes to club.

Bob Hewitt passed away. His tools are for sale. Call his daughter at 626 290 3973

Bob Cramer Cement Mixer for sale call 540 220 9187

Winner of Monthly Raffle: Bill Anderson

Winner of Plinko: Robert Gruver (two tools)

Show and Tell Items included:

Lynn Barnes-Large Piggy Bank

Steve Steege-Book Stand

John Hix-Tool jigs (circles, square, triangles)

The program was presented by: Terri Summer-arizonagourds.com and Wooden Flutes.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned:
8:23

Respectfully submit

Milo Mead, Secretary

Cedar Valley Woodworkers Executive Board Meeting Minutes 19 May 2026

Meeting called to order by President Lynn Barnes at 7 P.M. at Cedar Falls Public Library, 2nd Floor Conference Room.

Members Present:

Lynn Barnes, Reed Craft, Rod Lair, Milo Mead, Dave Turner, Don Gilbert & Jim Wikle

The agenda was reviewed, no additions made.

Secretary's Report: Milo Mead presented the monthly Secretary's Report. [Motion to approve was made by Dave Turner 2nd by John Gilbert. Approved.](#)

Treasurer's Report: Reed Craft presented the monthly Treasurer's Report. Motion to approve was made by Jim Wikle 2nd by John Gilbert. Approved.

Agenda:

1. June meeting treats: Chuck Bachman, Jim Matain, Steve Dewey signed up.
2. Membership Drive Review: Rod's Membership Incentive Update – Rod/Steve/Dave. Everything OK.
3. June 9th Speaker: Dan Risse presentation on epoxy finishes.
4. Dave Turner stepping down on finding speakers and tours. Lynn Barnes said he would take over finding speakers for now. No speaker for July. We will show video. Discussed finding speakers.

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5. New "Plinko" Rollout. Did not go well at meeting. Reduced raffle participation. Will see how it goes next meeting.

6. Discussed 1st Vice President – 2nd Vice President vacancies, nominees.

7.. Seiko Wall Clocks Review: 2 on hand / 2 more available.

8. CF Public Library Display Case Sept 1st to Oct 31st Need projects – Membership Drive. Rod Laird will set it up.

9. Readiness for Annual Picnic - Cattle Congress – Display Case - Gifts for Christmas. Need to ask Mark Widdle if he is cooking the meat for picnic again.

10. Discuss New Woodworkers Challenge Ideas, Thoughts, Comments? Make something that moves (has action) challenge for August meeting.

11. Old Business: none

12. New Business: Reed Craft say Cattle Congress display is the same as always.
Discussed tool sale and where to hold it. Tabled.

Plinko Rules

We started a new additional raffle game, that is very similar to our traditional \$1 Tool Raffle. It's called the \$5 per coupon "Plinko Game." Each CVWA Meeting, we will have 2 separate raffles. First, the traditional \$1 Tool Raffle and then secondly, a new \$5 per raffle "Plinko" game. One lucky winner's \$5 coupon number will be randomly drawn from our second drawing to "Come on Down" for a chance to win a higher value door prize! The winner places the "Plinko" Chip at the very top of the "Plinko" board and whatever numbered slot the chip lands, they win that corresponding door prize! The Door Prizes include items such as a brand new \$400 Seiko Wall Clock, Menards Gift Card, Higher Value Tool, etc. All proceeds go to help pay our CVWA operational costs. The "Plinko" Raffle Game will start right after the short breaktime, just ahead of the Speaker's Program. This way you can purchase as many \$5 tickets as you wish! So Good Luck and let the chip fall where it lands!

Tours: Discussed and nothing decided.

Next General Meeting date: June 9

Next Executive Board Meeting date: June 16

Newsletter Deadline: Wednesday, May 26

Motion to Adjourn: 8:18 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Milo Mead, Secretary

President

CVWA

Lynn Barnes

Show and Tell



Above: Book Stand by Steve Stege

Below: Large Piggy Bank by Lynn Barnes



Show and Tell



Top : Tool Jig by Jon Hix

Below : This months speaker Teri Summers Discussing Native American Flutes



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.

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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Waterloo Cedar Falls
And 2
Nation wide



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Durant, Iowa 52747-9729
800-344-6657**

**Acme Tools **
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Cedar Rapids, Ia.
319-363-2211**

**Pittsburgh Paints
528 West 5th St.
Waterloo, IA 50701
319-234-1739**

Officers and Committee Members

Elected Committee Members

President	John Gilbert
1st Vice President	Matt Mulnix
2nd Vice President	
Secretary	Steve Robb
Treasurer	Reed Craft

Committee Member

Gene Knief

Committee Member

Don Diestler

Membership

Dave Turner

Club photographer

Dave Turner

Refreshment Chairman

John Gilbert

Newsletter

Jim Wikle

Appointed Committee Members

<i>Committee Members</i>	Mark Widdel
<i>Committee Member</i>	Milo Mead
<i>Committee Member</i>	Dennis Gilroy