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Presidents Corner



Hello Fellow Woodworkers,

I hope you had time to look at the colorful leaves this fall. Now it is time to rake up all those leaves and the neighbors leaves also! I am busy raking up corn husks and trying to breathe through all the dust from the semis and cars driving by while I do it. It cost over \$200 to clean my wife's sensor on her car! The guy in the shop said he has been cleaning the sensors out this year like crazy. He said it has never been a problem like this before. Green acres is the life for me? There are good and bad to country living. But I would rather have dust and corn husk snow drifts than snow to shovel.

Congratulations Ted Boger and Cliff Cyrzan the winners of the birdhouse challenge! Thanks to all who participated great job even to my wife who surprised me with a finished birdhouse. She sure fooled me!

Ho! Ho! Ho! It is time to sign up for the Christmas party already. The party is December 12th and you are welcome to bring a friend or

your spouse if she is your friend...lol! Also bring a wood project to show and enter it in the best of show category of your choosing. There is a prize give away for you and your guest. Please bring one hot and one cold dish. (Apple, peach or cherry pie is my favorite. :). Plates, plastic wear and napkins are provided.

Club dues will be \$35 this year due to rising costs of rent and office supplies going up. Dues are \$45 for those who get the newsletter mailed to you due to postage.

The money we got from the library job paid for a new projector. Thanks goes to Steve Crouse for letting us use his all these years.

Finally as my dad would say, save your did gets and make some sawdust.

President

Mark Widdel

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Calendar

November

NEXT Club Meeting Tuesday November 12 2024 AT The Waterloo Center for the ARTS 220 COMMERCIAL ST at 6:30
Speaker Derick Eagles

.The next Executive Board meeting **Tuesday 19 November 2024** at 7 PM at Dave Turner's home 430 Prospect Waterloo
Corridor Wood turners meeting **Thursday November 14 2024** at 6:30 at the Marion High School Wood Shop

December

Club Meeting Annual Christmas Party Wednesday December 11,2024 AT The Waterloo Center for the Arts 220 Commercial ST
More INFO BELOW

The next Executive Board meeting **Tuesday 17 December. 2024** at 7 PM at Dave Turner's home 430 Prospect Waterloo
Corridor Wood turners meeting **Thursday December 19 2024** at 6:30 at the Marion High School Wood Shop.

January 2025

NEXT Club Meeting Tuesday January14, 2025 AT The Waterloo Center for the ARTS 220 COMMERCIAL ST at 6:30 PM
Speaker: TBA

The next Executive Board meeting **Tuesday January 21 2025** at 7 PM at Dave Turner's home 430 Prospect Waterloo
Corridor Wood turners meeting **Thursday January 16, 2025** at 6:30 at the Marion High School Wood Shop

Editors Notes

2024 Christmas Party*

Wednesday Dec 11th Schoitz banquet room west end of building.

MEMBERS

Bring a hot & cold dish to share with serving spoon if needed.

CLUB:

supplies your table service & drinks witch include (water, pop, and coffee)

***We start eating promptly at 6:30**

Show & Tell:

* Members are encouraged to bring a project for show and tell.

We have 7 categories for projects furniture, scroll saw, turning, toys, carving, intarsia, misc.

**We will vote on each category plus the overall People's Choice Award.

THE RAFFLE

*For every month you attended a meeting you get a raffle ticket. These tickets are used for a chance to win the \$100.00 grand prize.

*Each member gets **one** ticket for the tool raffle.

*Spouses receive one ticket for a separate raffle.

*Pay your \$30 dues by the end of the year and get a chance to win a free year.

CVWA Club Meeting Minutes 8 October 2024

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

38 Members 1 new members and 2 guest were present:

New Members: Dominic DiModugno

Guest: Rachel & Britton from Meyers Nursery

Thank you to: Barb Gurney, Robert Gruver, Ken Kresser and John Gilbert for providing treats.

Announcements:

Christmas Party: Wed. December 12th

Members – Bring a Hot & Cold dish to share with a serving spoon, if needed.

Club – Supplies your table service, plates & drinks (water, pop and coffee).

Sign-Up Sheet – for those planning to attend.

For the CVWA board, we need new members. We also need to elect from the membership a 2nd Vice-President

Free Dado blades, on the side table, provided by Jim Mastain

Tour: This Thursday, Oct 10th, Schumacher Elevator Company, Denver IA at 9 AM.

Winners of September Monthly Raffle:

Tool 1: John Gilbert - Saw

Tool 2: Steve Robb – Tape Measure

Winners of October Monthly Raffle:

Tool 1: Jim Clark – Clamp

Tool 2: Steve Crouse – Scratch awl

Winners of the Birdhouse Challenge:

Functional – Ted Boger

Non-Functional – Cliff Cyrzan

Show and Tell Items included:

Milo Mead – Intarsia angel

Rod Lair – Bench

Barney Barnes – Wood quilt

Dave Turner – Slice of hackberry tree

John Hix – Cedar bird house with lasered pattern

Jim Firkin – 2020 toilet paper vs.2024

The program was presented by: Steve Crouse – Slide show of construction of WPL front desk.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned: 7:55 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Robb, Secretary

Cedar Valley Woodworkers Executive Board Meeting

15 Oct 2024

The meeting was called to order by President Mark Widdel at 7:00 PM.

Members present were Dave Turner, Dennis Gilroy, John Gilbert, Milo Mead, Steve Crouse, Rod Lair, Mark Widdel, Reed Craft, Matt Mulnix, Jim Wikle, and Gene Kneif.

The board took a few minutes to honor Reed Craft's 90th birthday. Reed was presented with a card and Mark Widdel brought a cake. Thanks to Dave for getting the card and to Mark for making the cake.

The agenda was reviewed and approved.

Reed Craft presented the monthly treasurer's report. Milo Mead made a motion to approve the report as presented. Dennis Gilroy seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

In Steve Robb's absence, Mark Widdel presented the secretary's report. Rod Lair made a motion to approve the report. Jim Wilke seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

New members---Matt Mulnix presented some ideas to increase membership. No action was taken.

Election--- The election will be held at the annual meeting in November. John Gilbert is running for president, Matt Mulnix is running for vice president. One person is considering running for second vice president.

Projector---Steve Crouse presented information regarding a projector to be used at the meetings at the WCA. Milo Mead made a motion (seconded by Jim Wikle) to ask Steve to purchase an Epson projector from Best Buy. The cost will be approximately \$700. The motion was approved.

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Cattle Congress---the display at the Cattle Congress was good. The scroll saw demonstrated some interest. More club members to work at the display and bring projects would make the display better.

Birdhouse Challenge

Membership Dues---Mark Widdel lead a discussion regarding membership and dues. Jim Wikle made a motion (Dave Turner seconded the motion) to increase the dues for 2025 from \$30 to \$35. People that get the newsletter mailed to them will pay \$10 extra to cover printing and postage. People that join in July 2025 and August 2025 will pay \$30. People that join in September 2025 and October 2025 will pay \$25. People that join in November 2025 and December 2025 will pay \$35 and will be members for the two months in 2025 and all of 2026.

Reed Craft presented information about past expenses and revenues. Thanks to Reed for compiling the information.

Raffle items---Two names will be drawn, and members will be select from a collection of tools.



Christmas Party---The Christmas part will be 11 December 2024 at the WCA. We have about 30 gifts on hand and need approximately 20 more gifts. Mark Widdel has ideas for the remaining gifts.

Above: Functional Birdhouse Winner Ted Boger
Below: Non functional Birdhouse Winner Cliff Cyrzan

Web site---Mark asked each board member to look at web sites for Cedar Vally Wood Turners and the Des Moines Wood Club for ideas on how we can change our web site. We have a new member that has experience with web sites and could possibly help with some revisions. Please be prepared to discuss at the board meeting on 19 Nov '24.

Newsletter deadline is 26 Oct '24.

The next meeting will be 12 November 2024 and the WCA. Derek Eagles will present information regarding his sawmill.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM.



**Submitted by Rod Lair
for Steve Robb.**

Show and Tell



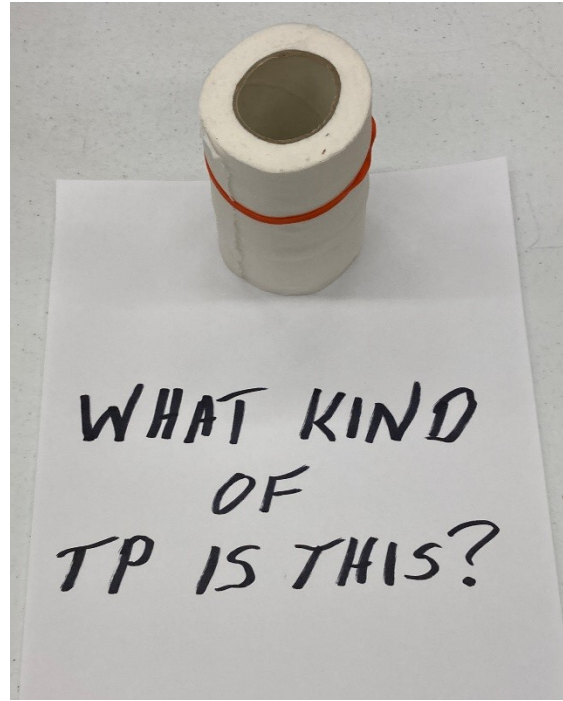
Above Left: Hackberry Serving Tray or Wall Hanging by Dave Turner

Above Right: Intarsia Angel by Millo Mead

Below: Wooden Quilt by Barney Barnes



Show and Tell



Above Left: Laser Engraved Cedar Birdhouse Cedar Birdhouse by Jon Hix

Above Right: 2020 Toilet vs 2024 by Jim Firkin

Below: Waterloo Public Library Desk Built by Club Volunteers Shown by Steve Crouse

Not Pictured: Rod Lair also Showed a Bench



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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 Cedar Rapids, Ia.
 319-363-2211

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 And 2
 Nation wide**

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

Officers and Committee Members

Elected Committee Members

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

Committee Member
Committee Member
Membership
Club photographer
Refreshment Chairman
Newsletter

Gene Knief

Dave Turner

Dave Turner

John Gilbert

Jim Wikle

Appointed Committee Members

Committee Members

Committee Member Milo Mead
Committee Member Dennis Gilroy