

The Nutmeg

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NEXT MEETING

Monday, November 14, 2011

Program: No Sand Bowls

By: Carl Ford

Brookfield Craft Center

Route 25, Brookfield, CT

6 to 7 pm – Informal Gathering, Library Open

7:00 pm – Club Business

7:30 pm – Program

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1) Mother Nature

a) Well, she's done it again! I hope everyone is safe and warm.

2) I goofed again.

a) My apologies go to Jay Hockenberry. We had a great time at Jays in June learning to identify trees by their bark and I failed to say "Thank You" to both Jay and Rea Ann.

3) Learn & Turn

a) A great time was had at Corey Anderson's during the Sept. L&T.

b) The Dec. L&T will be on the 3rd at Steve Prior's. Program TBD.

4) American Woodturner Magazine

a) There are over 330 clubs in the AAW and two members from our club have feature articles in the October issue.

i) A Guide to Gouges by Joe Larese

ii) Celebrating the Functional Wooden Bowl by Josh Friend

5) November Demo - No Sand Bowls by Carl Ford.

a) Do you hate sanding? Then this is the demo for you!

b) Carl will demonstrate how to quickly cut coves and beads on a bowl to create a texture that does not require sanding! The textures will be quickly created using a scrapper and detail gouge with the lathe running. The use of "Milk Paint" will also be covered.

6) Challenge this Month.

a) The challenge is "Christmas Items". Christmas Ornaments, etc. Please bring in items for the challenge. NO Show & Tell this month.

b) Anyone who brings in a item for the Challenge will be entered in a random drawing for a \$50 Gift Certificate from Woodcraft.

7) 2012 Dues

a) We will start to collect dues at the Nov. meeting. (\$20.00)

i) See Allen Nemetz.

Keep a Sharp Edge

Buster

THE AAW 25TH SYMPOSIUM

MY WIFE AND I LEFT ON JUNE 21ST HEADED FOR ST. PAUL, SITE OF THE 25TH ANNUAL AAW SYMPOSIUM. WE ARRIVED ON THE 25TH IN TIME FOR ME TO MAN THE "VOLUNTEER CHECK IN DESK", GUESS I CAN'T SAY NO WHEN THEY ASK FOR HELP. IT WAS ALSO A TIME TO MEET OLD FRIENDS AND MAKE SOME NEW ONES.

THE SYMPOSIUM STARTED ON FRIDAY MORNING WITH THE OPENING CEREMONIES. OPENING REMARKS BY TOM WIRSING, AAW PRESIDENT. FOLLOWED BY DAVID ELLSWORTH BEING PRESENTED WITH THE PROFESSIONAL OUTREACH PROGRAM'S MERIT AWARD.

DAY ONE. ROTATIONS FOR ME WERE RAY KEY (ORIENTAL BOXES), ALAN LACER (MAKING A HOOK TOOL, I WAS THE ASSISTANT), AL STIRT (BOWLS-BALANCING THE GRAIN) AND JOHN JORDON (HOLLOW TURNING).

DAY TWO. DALE NISH (NATURAL EDGED BOWLS), AGAIN DALE NISH (BIRD HOUSE ORNAMENTS), THE CHAPTERS MEETING, GILES GILSON (A WALK ON THE WILD SIDE) AND CHRIS STOTT (INLAID BOXES).

THAT EVENING WAS THE BANQUET. THE FOOD WAS OK BUT NOT AS GOOD AS HARTFORD! THE POP AUCTION FOLLOWED DINNER AS USUAL, I HEARD LATER THE \$167,000.00 WAS RAISED. WE WERE UNABLE TO STAY TO THE END OF THE AUCTION. I WAS STARTING TO FEEL THE EFFECTS OF THE TRIP (TIRED). SUNDAY CAME QUICKLY, LAST DAY! I WENT TO SEE JERRY KERMODE (ART OF NONVIOLENT TURNING) AND THEN NICK COOK (TABLE LAMPS). THE INSTANT GALLERY AS USUAL WAS A SPOT FOR INSPIRATION! "TABLE AFTER TABLE OF GREAT TURNINGS". THE PIECE I GAVE TO THE "25 FOR \$25.00", SOLD WITHIN THE FIRST HOUR, WHICH MADE ME HAPPY. AND THE ONE IN THE POP AUCTION SOLD FOR LIST PRICE!!

THE TRADE SHOW WAS ALSO UNBELIEVABLE, BUT I DID RESTRAIN MYSELF AND ONLY PURCHASED WHAT I REALLY NEEDED, HA HA! WHAT A GREAT TIME !!

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