

Minutes of the April 8, 2008 meeting of the Northern Rockies Woodworking Guild.

There were approximately 27 participants attending the meeting at the Bozeman High School Woodshop when the meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by President Susan Razzano.

Old Business

The Anthony Harris demo was discussed. (See Treasurer's report for cost/proceeds) It was noted that several of Anthony's pieces that he brought for display were stolen during the demonstration. An additional \$125 was given to Anthony to partially cover the loss. Areas of improvement for future demos were:

- better lighting
- more advertising outside the Guild membership
- publish the topics and times of the demo portions
- ask demonstrator to provide more basic information on what tool is being used during each process and why

A discussion concerning upcoming demonstrations was held. We've tentatively scheduled JoHannes Michelsen (creates wood hats) for either Tuesday Oct 21, 2008 or Wednesday Nov 19, 2008. He will charge the Guild \$500/day for the demo.

A continuing discussion centered on whether more folks would attend a demonstration by a "specialist" like Michelsen or by a "turner of many techniques" ..

Members were reminded that the Utah Woodturning Symposium is being held May 22-24, 2008.

The AAW Annual Symposium is being held in Richmond, Virginia June 20 - 22, 2008.

New Business

Tom Robinson received correspondence from Todd Hoyer and Haley Smith from Bisbee AZ about doing a demo in late March of 2009. Tom has begun firming up a date and time for a proposed demo at that time.

Monthly Meeting Demonstrators

Upcoming scheduled monthly demonstration currently are:

May's Demo: The Rampys will demonstrate making wooden bandsaw boxes.

Treasurer's Report

The NRWG bank account currently has a \$2014 balance. Membership for the current year stands at 39 members.

The cost of the Anthony Harris demo was \$1574.35 and proceeds of the demo were \$1570.

Monthly Raffles

The monthly, "Bring Back" Raffle of an Oak, Walnut and Mahogany fishing net was crafted and donated by Jim Olson, the previous month's winner. In this meeting's drawing, the winner was George Stanislao who will bring a Raffle prize donation to next month's meeting. The raffle raised \$38 for the Guild's coffers. To reduce the number of outstanding gift certificates, additional ticket drawings were held and were won by Jim Palakovich, John Morrison, Gordon McMullen and Gordon McMullen. The validity of the raffle was brought into question due to Gordon winning twice (the usual friendly harassment by the losers, probably most of whom didn't participate).

In the monthly "Show & Tell" participant's drawing, no one won a Gift Certificate because the drawing wasn't held. There were 9 folks who brought their work. Please visit the NRWG Website to view the participant's entry

Monthly Demonstration

Tony Huckert was this month's demonstrator following the business meeting. Tony demonstrated basic tool use in creating a lidded box. He showed how to recover from over-zealous wood removal by reducing the size of vessel.