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Next Meeting

Tuesday, May 14

6:30 pm

Bozeman High
Wood Shop

Topic

Making Boxes,
Tips and Tricks
by Dean Center



President's Challenge

Turn a Box

(bring to May
meeting)

Minutes of the last Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Jurgen Weiel, Preident. We had one guest Richard O'Hare.

Treasurer's Report

Boyd said we have \$1747 in the bank.

Old business

Jurgen asked if anyone had taken advantage of the older but unused tools for sale in West Yellowstone and no one said they had.

We will be participating in the MADEfair Montana in the fall. Jim Rendle is heading up the organizing committee. He asked anyone who is interested in helping out to speak up. We hope that the folks who helped put together our club booth will participate again.

Jim also has a Tuesday night booth at the Farmer's Market and volunteered to display a few pieces of members' work for sale, for those who don't normally sell their work. Contact him at jimrendle@gmail.com.

Jurgen asked if those present wanted to have a June meeting, away from the high school shop which is unavailable in June. There was a modestly favorable response. Jurgen will see if someone is willing to volunteer their shop.

We have 2 volunteers to host Shop Tours this summer, Jay Stanley and Jess Tode. They will pick a topic and a date, and we will let everyone know before we start sign ups. We encourage others to volunteer as well. It's not a lot of work, the topic can be easy and simple, as it's mostly a chance for people to have a social time with their fellow turners and see how the host has solved the problems of setting up a workable shop. If you want to host a 2 hour get-together some Saturday morning this summer, contact Jurgen or Dean.

New Business

Wood:

1. Ron Lerner offered some uncommon wood pieces to club members and Boyd went up to Ron's house and brought it down to his own. There are large burls of uncertain woods, soft, black line spalted maple, sycamore, southern pine of some sort, oak, and osage orange. Most of the pieces are not simple, clean bowl blanks. Boyd will make the pieces available to those who contact him.

Announcements

AAW International Symposium, Raleigh, NC, July 11-14, 2019.
(woodturner.org)

Rocky Mountain Woodturning Symposium, Loveland, CO, September 13-15. This year features many new demonstrators.
(rmwoodturningsymposium.com)

NRWG New Annual Pot Luck, Saturday, September 14, Clyde Park, MT.
Bob Taylor hosting.

Minutes (cont'd)

- 2. Don bishop said his shed is now clear of snow but the ground is too soggy to move the good sized logs out to pickups. He is making a list of those interested and will let us know when the wood can be taken.
- 3. There is a fellow in town who will be taking down an ash tree in 4-6 weeks. It's about 20" diameter with a tall, straight bole and a long frost crack. Len, Chris and Jay expressed interest and Dean will contact the owner and get back to them.
- 4. Our email software 'update' caused the loss of our FOG wood group (those interested in hearing about wood/trees coming down). If you want to be notified of free wood, please let Dean know so he can put you on the list.

The May demo will be on turning boxes. Dean asked whether the group would prefer a basic, "How I Make a Box" demonstration or a "Tips and Tricks I Have Learned" presentation. With more support for the latter, that's what we will have.

Given the May topic, Jurgen gave a new President's Challenge: Make a Box. Len precociously thought this meeting was on boxes and made some really interesting ones for show and tell. Bring 'em back, Len.

Dean Center
Secretary

Raffle

Boyd brought some pieces of wood donated by Ron Lerner and a pair of flame box elder crotch. There was good participation in the raffle and the winners seemed quite pleased.

Show and Tell

In addition to Len's interesting boxes, there was a small and varied but quite interesting array of pieces in the Show and Tell.



Planes, Maintenance and Restoration

by Jim Majxner

The Demo for the evening was on maintaining and restoring planes. Jim Majxner gave a very well received presentation. He showed a wide variety of planes, including some Japanese pull planes. He then set about demonstrating his sharpening method, restoring the base of older planes, adjusting and using the planes. A couple of members brought planes to show and have Jim help them get the planes sharp and working well. Thank you, Jim!

