



# Northern Rockies Woodworking Guild

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## Officers

### **President**

Jurgen Weiel

### **Vice President**

Jarred McDaniel

### **Treasurer**

Boyd Carson

### **Secretary**

Dean Center

## Next Meeting

**Tuesday,**

7 pm

Bozeman High  
Wood Shop

## Topic

Turning a Goblet  
by Tony Huckert



## Minutes of the last Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Jurgen Weiel. We had 2 guests, Seth who was visiting from Everett, WA and Chris Dubay, hopefully a new member.

Jurgen reminded us that we have started a new club year and dues are due, a bargain at \$25. See Treasurer Boyd Carson. (BTW, you must be a member to take library materials out on loan)

### Treasurer's Report

We have \$1693 in the bank after contributing \$300 to the high school woodworking competition.

### Officer Elections

The current officers volunteered to stand for election again. There were no volunteers or nominations from the floor and the current officers were re-elected by unanimous vote.

President—Jurgen Weiel

Vice-President—Jarred McDaniel

Secretary (2 year term)--Dean Center

Jurgen brought up the subject raised during a recent shop tour of prepping green bowl blanks before turning and asked people if they use the chain saw, band saw or just take off the waste wood on the lathe. There seemed to be support for time invested in band sawing the blanks being worthwhile. Supporters of that approach seemed to have larger bandsaws than the typical 14" 1/2-1 hp saws, however.

### High School Demo Day

We will be putting on a demonstration for the high school wood shop classes. After discussion, it was decided to do so on Friday, September 28. Volunteers stepped up (Jurgen, Jay, Jarred, Jim P., Boyd, and Dusty. Tony will see if he can be available and Jess volunteered to do the AV and demo if needed. (Thank you, Jess!)

The demo day will be for 4 class periods of 50 minutes, starting at 8:15, 9:20, 11:15 (advanced class) and 2:45. Demonstrators are asked to select a project that can be completed during the class period and provides some visual excitement. As amateur presenters, we typically have both a demonstrator and a commentator who can interact with the students, make observations on what is going on at the lathe, answer questions and pass samples around. We will work out logistics via email with the volunteers.

## 2018 Shop Tours

Bob Risk hosted a shop tour at his home. The report from Tony was that it was well attended and everyone had a good time. Bob and Tony covered taking a fresh log and turning it into a bowl. After the turning part of the gathering, Bob put on a nice barbecue. (Note to self: if you feed them, they will come)

## BHS Demo Day in Pictures



## HandMADE Montana craft fair

A group from Missoula has been putting on craft fairs for several years and has begun spreading to other towns. They will be holding a maker fair at the MSU fieldhouse on October 20-21 and we have been accepted for a booth. We are in the 'non-profit' category, and Dean thinks we will not be charged rent as we are going to be fulfilling our educational mission. We will have a mini/midi lathe set up and demonstrate turning for the two days. In addition, we will be able to display member work, and possibly sell some pieces as well. It's possible that because we are educational, we will be limited to displaying and providing cards with contact info for the visitors who want to purchase items. We will have a large booth, 20' wide and 10' deep, with plenty of room for both demo and display. We will try to staff with 2 people, probably in blocks of time but without the 50 minute time limit of the school demos. Jess suggests we make tops as they are quick to make, colorful and produce something to share with the kids who come by. We can set up on Friday afternoon and will have to clean up and clear out Sunday at 4 pm.

There are obviously a great many logistical issues to address, such as tables, display shelves, a lathe, a grinder, a sign, business cards and/or brochures for the club, and possibly a canopy. Some of the gear can be rented, but most likely the group can come up with what's needed. Our club insurance policy most likely covers us, but we will need to be certain about that aspect. There is a question of security and whether we need to haul our stuff to Jurgen's enclosed trailer Saturday evening.

We will need an organizing committee, and Jurgen, Jim P, Jay and Dean volunteered. We will need more volunteers to staff the show and help with logistics, so stay tuned for your opportunity to pitch in.

## Minutes, (cont'd)

### Meeting Raffle

We had a general discussion about our regular raffle, whether it is worthwhile, what alternatives there might be. Some good suggestions were made, and the possibility of having a silent auction periodically, perhaps for an especially desirable donation, or several, seemed to appeal to everyone. For now, we will continue with our regular raffle.

Dean advised that Dan had found some Inlace material when he was cleaning the store room and we wonder if it belongs to a member. No one claimed it and we will put in the raffle box.

### Woodworking classes

Dean said he periodically gets inquiries from people wanting to take woodworking classes and doesn't have much to offer the folks. He asked for suggestions and Len had one, which he and Dean will discuss. If anyone knows of someone teaching woodworking, or anyone in the group would like to take on a student, please let Dean know. There's a need here, if someone wants to step up.

We had a **raffle** and Jim and Dusty took home prizes. **Show and Tell was terrific**, with lots of variety and really nice quality. Otto brought a nice little bowl made of Tulip wood, which we don't see around here. Bob Green's painted and carved square bowl, Boyd's two hollow forms, and Len's two handcarved spalted maple stools were particularly remarkable for their complexity and attractiveness. And it's always special when Tony brings something and says he'll never do that again—tonight it was twin spiral candlesticks that nearly drove him crazy. Keep pushing your envelopes guys, you're doing great work. (but Dusty, get some solid wood, dude)

### Demonstrations

As we start into our new club year, your Executive Board members once again find ourselves trying to figure out what you would like to have for demonstrations. We are most anxious to have some new folks demonstrate a project or method that they like. You don't have to be David Ellsworth to do a demonstration, you just have to find something interesting and be willing to share with the rest of us.

Please let Jurgen know if there is a topic you would like to have presented, or if you would be willing to be the presenter.

### 2018 NRWG Group Photo

