Chinook Woodturning Guild Newsletter





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I ask for patience from all of you as I try and revive the monthly newsletter. I have never done this before and so each and every month will be an adventure to me as I learn how to format it properly and import all the photos, links etc. that I hope you will enjoy. I realize that I have large shoes to fill as Vern's letters were always awesome. For the time being I am hoping that they will be worthwhile and go from there.

Coming Events:

Thurs. Nov. 20^{th} – monthly meeting Fall CASA Sale – Nov. 21^{st} and 22^{nd}

Dec. 6th – Roger McMullin do a demo from 1 to 3pm. This will focus on some techniques he learned from Marilyn Campbell

May 23rd – Cindy Drozda – demo \$60/member

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May 24th and 25th Cindy Drozda workshops

- hands on workshops at CASA \$175/person

From the Editor:

If we want the newsletter to continue each month it would be awesome to get some help from you guys. This may come in the form of an article, photo or link to some web page you found that is interesting.

Email Addresses:

As with any organization, keeping an up to date email list is a challenge. Please try to keep us in the loop if you change emails - other wise you may end up missing this newsletter or other information that the executive decides that wish to share with you.

Guild Website:

http://chinookwoodturning.org/

I believe that Diane Monroe still acts as our web master and our thanks to her for all her work in maintaining the site. It always worthwhile to take the time to add a few of your own pictures of new work. Having said that I need to do that myself. Here's hoping some of us will find the time to do it this month.

Are you a member of the AAW?

The American Association or Woodturners membership year begins Jan. 1st of each year. The best part about it for me is the arrival of 6 copies of The American Woodturner that arrive each year. It is a great organization that seems to have its heart in the right place. They have themselves launched a new web site in the last few months. It is www.woodturner.org.

Guild Library:

I know that we have a wonderful cabinet with our Library in it (thanks for Claire Norton for that). I am not sure how much it is being used or at this stage who is looking after it. I will do my best to come up with this information before the next newsletter.

Lethbridge Hospital Tree Project:

I understand that the rest of you hearty and generous souls outdid yourself last month and handed in over 130 ornaments for the Christmas Tree project. What a worthwhile project this is for our guild. It helps make our medicine more affordable. Thanks for doing this.



Presidents Message:

Great news, the Newsletter is back. Thanks to Jim Jones for taking this on. As the previous editor of our Newsletter I know how much work it is to publish a newsletter, so I hope our members will get behind Jim and send him things he can use. Write an article on some aspect of woodturning (short or long), send him a hint or tip, send him references to a useful web site, etc. I am sure Jim will appreciate the help. email him at burlwood@platinum.ca.

October's meeting was a pleasure. There were over 125 Christmas ornaments brought in to be used in decorating our Christmas tree in the Hospital Foundation Christmas Tree Festival. As most of you know the tree will be auctioned off later in Nov with the proceeds going to fund the Foundation's activities in the Chinook Region. This is a good cause and we are pleased to see strong support from our membership. Once again - many thanks to Jim Farr & his wife for taking on this project and the hard work in making it a success.

After Richard Shelson's demonstration on making a Christmas Tree ornament (Thanks Richard, job well done) members gathered round the tables were the ornaments and other instant gallery items were displayed. The discussions and sharing of ideas that took place is a big part of what the Guild is all about.

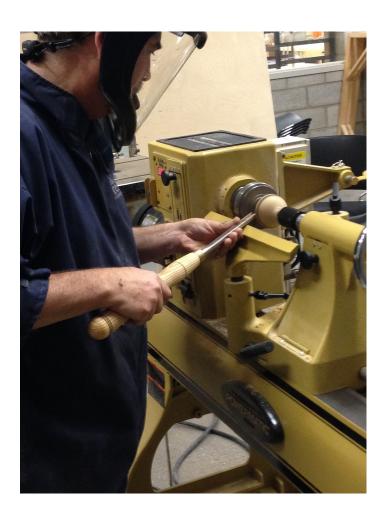
November 21 & 22 is the annual Christmas at CASA sale. A few members have indicated they will be participating and hopefully there will be more. Please let me know if you will be.

Our November meeting, Nov 20/14, 7:00pm at CASA will focus on sharpening. Jim Jones will discuss and demonstrate several techniques and there will be 3 or 4 sharpening stations at the meeting as well as some wood on the lathe so you can check out you tools before and after. Brings some tools you need help with sharpening.

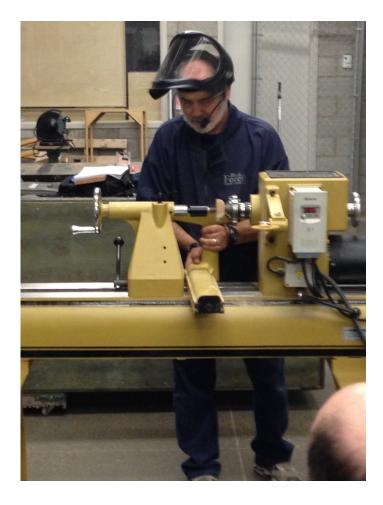
Roger McMullin will be doing a demonstration on Sat, Dec 6 from 1pm to 3pm or so. He will demo some of the techniques he learned from Marilyn Campbell and has been working at perfecting. There will be a nominal charge of \$5.00 to cover the cost of room rental etc.

And of course there is the Cindy Drozda demo & workshops May 23 to 25. Don't miss out on the opportunity to spend a day with one of the best. Workshop spaces are limited to 6 per session so that the instructor - Cindy Drozda - is not spread too thin and participants can get the most they can from the workshop.

Don't be disappointed register early as registrations are on a first come basis. contact Vern at verntheturner@gmail.com.









And so ends the first of many newsletters. May God be with you and your family in the coming holiday season. Jim