



President's Message

November has arrived with some very mild and pleasant weather. Let's hope that this is an indication of the winter months ahead.

The Graeme Priddle weekend is now a thing of the past. I hope everyone who attended the all-day seminar or the hands-on classes feel that they have been enriched with knowledge that will enhance future turnings. Maybe we will see examples of that in the show-and-tell at some of our upcoming meetings.

Last month's meeting was a demonstration of Christmas ornaments by Greg Smith. How many members will bring in examples of these to share what they learned? I know that it is very satisfying after all the preparations and work to do a demo, to see that there are reasons why we do it. Bring in some ornaments that you were inspired to make. Show the club any

changes that you made and share with us how and why you made them.

Our next meeting, on Nov. 18th, will be a Boring Bar demo by Gary Smith. I know that I will be taking notes at this one. Gary has always amazed me with his large segmented hollow forms. The one thing that I really enjoy about the whole woodturning community is the sharing of ideas. The knowledge that turners like Gary has developed over many years of trial and error is so readily available to us at these type of demos.

We will be looking for nominations to fill some of the executive post at this meeting. The Secretary job is one that needs filling. Also several members have expressed an interest to help with the audio/visual. A committee is being formed and anyone inter-

ested should contact Frank Marabate.

I am having a hard time doing the Presidents job with my bad knees and back. I will be having both knees replaced in the coming months so my ability to continue to do this job may be in jeopardy.

I have been thinking about a Christmas gift exchange. If anyone has any ideas on this, please bring them up at the next meeting. My thoughts were to turn something, make or buy a turning tool, wrap it in Xmas paper and bring to the December meeting. Put your name on the present you brought and on a piece of paper that gets put into a hat. Anyone who has brought a gift gets to draw a name and gets that persons gift. We'll discuss this more at the Nov. meeting.

See you soon,

Mike Foydel

Graeme Priddle Demo and Workshops

The Graeme Priddle weekend went off without a hitch. On Friday at 3:30pm, we were allowed to start setting up at the Royal Oak Senior Center. I was joined by Greg Smith, Mark Semann, and Russ Layle. We completely set up the room,

the lathe, sound system, lights, all the tables and chairs, got the food situated and the coffee pots set up and ready to go all by 5:00pm.

Saturday morning with the seminar set to start at 9:30am, I was a little wor-

ried since the custodian was not going to be there until 10 minutes to 9. Well I got there early and decided to sit and wait by the back door. Lo and behold, the night janitor came out the door around 8:00am and with a little persuasion

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D.A.W. Equipment User Program

Just a short note to remind Club members of the D.A.W. Equipment User Program. As a D.A.W. member in good standing, or equivalent, you may request the use of the Club's four loner packages, for designated periods of time. At present, Club members may request the Club's Delta Lathe Package, Jet Mini Lathe package, Turning Tools Package, and Art Fair Package.

The Club encourages first time turners to request the lathes in conjunction with our mentoring program. This linking gives the new turner the opportunity to receive one on one instruction, and then be able to practice what they have learned at home. Individuals looking to purchase a new or used lathe may consider requesting a lathe to give them a reference point in what to look for in a lathe. The Turning Tool Package complements the mentoring again. It allows the member the experience of hands on use of the basic turning tools, used in the mentoring program. The art fair package is geared to aiding members interested in offering their work for sale. It gives the member the opportunity to experience the marketing of his / her work, and get a feeling if they might consider doing it on a larger scale.

All requests for the Club equipment go through the Asset Manager. He / She Keeps a list of all use requests, and coor-

dinates the scheduling. Storage of the equipment is the responsibility of the current assignee, until the next assignee is scheduled. The Asset Manager will inform the current assignee of the name, phone number, and e-mail address of the next scheduled assignee. He / She will also inform the next scheduled assignee the name, phone number, and e-mail address of the current assignee. It is the responsibility of the current and next scheduled assignee to coordinate the transfer of the equipment at a convenient time and place, for both parties. The two parties must reconcile the transfer of equipment by verifying that all the components of the package are accounted for. The assignee relinquishing the package

must notify the Asset Manager when the transfer is complete. The replacement of any missing components is the responsibility of the assignor.

If you would like to request the use of any of the Club's

equipment packages, or have questions about Equipment User Program, you may contact the Asset Manager as follows;

Ron Sztumerski

248-689-5615

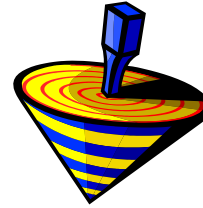
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Tops for Tots

Don't forget to turn some tops. We are still collecting them to donate to Children's Hospital.

Please be aware that the base must be at least 1 3/4 to 2 inches in diameter to eliminate the possibility of a small child swallowing one. A simple gauge that you can use to measure is the cardboard tube from a toilet paper roll.



As a reminder, the heavier the base is, the longer the tops will spin. They can be decorated with colored marking pens or paint, but to facilitate cleaning they must have a coat of sealer applied.

Don't Forget the Meeting Door Prizes!!

Door prizes are an important part of each meeting. Members enjoy the prizes, whether they be wood, tools, or other miscellaneous items. The monies from the raffle pay for things like operating expenses. Please bring along any extra wood, tools, or other items you feel you can afford to donate to our prize table.



Don't forget that Rockler offers our members a 10% discount on everything, except power tools. Check them out at:

Rockler Woodworking and Hardware
29918 Woodward Ave.
Royal Oak, MI 48073
(248) 543-5110
www.rockler.com



Hartville Tool is giving our members 20% off orders from their catalog. This is for a limit time, so take advantage of this great offer soon!

Graeme Priddle

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he let me in. I had a lot of food prep to take care of and the 100 cup coffee pot was going to take about 45 minutes to brew. I got almost everything done I needed to do and around 9:00am people started to roll in. We had 35 turners come to this seminar. I figured that we would hit 40 being that Graeme is such an internationally famous turner.



Graeme started off by talking about his homeland, New Zealand, and showed us many pictures of things that inspire his turnings. He gave reasons for the burning and carving that he is famous for, and then spent the rest of the day showing us how he does what he does.

I think most everyone enjoyed the coffee cakes and muffins with the morning coffee and tea. Lunch was croissant sandwiches and pita wraps, tossed salad, potato chips, and a veggie tray. I received many compliments about the food.

When Graeme finished up at around 5:00pm, I was very happy to see so many members stay and help to clean up.

Five members on Sunday and 6 on Monday attended the hands on classes at Ray Frase's shop. Everyone was able to make a hand piece



for doing pyrography and then learned how to convert a battery charger to make it work. After that, each member picked something they wanted to make and Graeme went around helping everyone with their designs plus the carving, burning and painting techniques that he is famous for.

Special thanks to Bob Dailey for hosting Graeme at his home, to Ray Frase for the use of his shop and to everyone else who helped to make this event such a success.

Mike Foydel

What Tree Did You Fall From??

Find your birthday and then find your tree. This is really cool and somewhat accurate. Each month I will try to put in that month's trees.

Oct. 24 to Nov. 11 **Walnut Tree (Passion)** Unrelenting, strange and full of contrasts, often egotistic, aggressive, noble, broad horizon, unexpected reactions, spontaneous, unlimited ambition, no flexibility, difficult and uncommon



partner, not always liked but often admired, ingenious strategist, very jealous and passionate, no compromise.

Nov. 12 to Nov 21 **Chestnut Tree (Honesty)** Of unusual beauty, does not want to impress, well-developed sense of justice, vivacious, interested, a born diplomat, but irritates easily and sensitive in company, often due to a lack of self confidence, acts sometimes superior, feels not understood, loves only once, has difficulties in finding a partner.

Nov. 22 to Dec. 1 **Ash Tree (Ambition)** Uncommonly attractive, vivacious, impulsive, demanding, does not care for criticism, ambitious, intelligent, talented, likes to play with fate, can be egotistic, very reliable and trustworthy, faithful and prudent lover, sometimes brains rule over the heart, but takes partnership very seriously.

Library Notes from Glenn Lieving

Special thanks goes to:

Mike Foydel donated the following DVD's by Trent Bosch:

Decorative Utility Bowls

Sculpting Wood Beyond the Lathe

Vessels of Illusion

The library has 149 items with 43 DVD's, 31 VHS's, 50 books and 25 magazines.



Schedule of Events

- Nov. 18—General meeting at Shad-bush. Demonstration of the use of a boring bar by Gary Smith
- Dec. 9—General meeting at Shad-bush. Demonstration of various techniques for chucking materials by Mike and Chet
- December 14-16—Wood Show at Novi
- January 9—Executive meeting at Frank Marabate's
- January 20—General meeting at Shad-bush. Demonstration on sharpening and design
- February 6—Executive meeting at Ron Sztumerski's
- February 17—General meeting at Shad-bush. Demonstration on small boxes

November 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Please find below, a list of all the 2007 DAW Officers and Committee members. It is through their efforts that the club runs so smoothly. Should you have any concerns or wish to help out in one area or another, please feel free to contact any of these people. It is through the efforts of these volunteers that we continue to grow. We value your input.

Elected Officers

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October Demo

Last month's demo was what has become an annual event for our club - making Christmas ornaments. Greg Smith showed us how to turn two different ornaments. The first was a pretty little angel and the second was a small bird house. He also showed us a trick for cutting a wine bottle using the lathe to etch the line around the bottle.



I am looking forward to seeing some of these creations by the rest of you. So, remember to bring them for the instant gallery.



FINISHING TIPS
BY GREG SMITH



2008 Membership Drive Has Begun

Membership,

The membership renewal forms have been mailed out to all 2007 members, if you joined our club after August, your membership is paid through 2008. Please either mail the cards sent out to me or bring them with a check in the envelope to the November meeting. It is difficult to handle all the renewals if they are not in an envelope. Folks with outstanding dues will be dropped after January.

Greg Smith,
Membership Chairman.

The 4 Secrets to a good finish

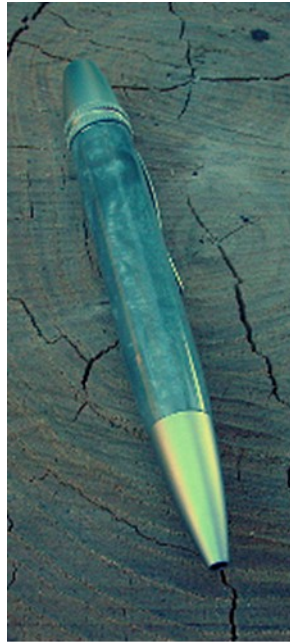
Russ Fairfield

1. Quick and durable ARE NOT mutually inclusive properties of a finish on a piece of wood. Finishing takes time; and the better the finish, the more time it takes.
2. The surface finish can be no better than that of the wood under it.
3. There is no one product that we can put on the wood that will do everything we want from a finish. Everything we do is a compromise to accent the properties we want, and hopefully minimize those we don't.
4. The lesser the finish, the more it will have the look and feel of wood. When taken to the same level of polish, bare wood looks and feels more like wood than a thick lacquer or a CA glue.

Photo Gallery



Candle stick by Richard Bailey



Pen by Mark Semann



Threaded walnut box by Mike Foydel



Box by Steve Wilson



Pens by Steve Kujawa



Platter by Dave Earl

Photo Gallery



Bottle stoppers by Mark Semann



Christmas ornaments by Greg Smith



Bowl by Steve Wilson



Theaded maple box by Mike Foydel



Bowl by Matt Harber



Natural edge bowl by Matt Harber

The next Meeting will be

November 18th, 2007

The Detroit Area Woodturners meet at the Shelby River Bends Park, Shadbush Nature Centre, Shelby Township, MI, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Park is located on Ryan Road between 21 and 22 Mile Roads opposite the Hamlin Road junction. All visitors are welcome.

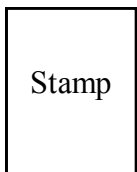
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