

Central Coast Wood turners

News for July 2015

The Month of June started out with an all-day demonstration by Soren Berger of New Zealand. Many thanks go to Dennis Ivans who was the host for the day and evident, help from his wife Leslie and his good buddies for set up and clean up.

Soren showed us how to turn items from a scoop to a lamp shade and ending up with a lidded box which can be used for the Beads of Courage campaign. Be reminded that all items turned by the pros will be available to the spouse drawing at the luncheon in January.

As discussed at the June meeting, I have tried to make contacts with other turners. First attempt was with Richard Raffan. This will not be had, he tells me that he is trying to wind down and that the demo in Olympia WA> has some strange twists. In the contract with Olympia, he cannot do any demos on the West Coast as they feel that west Coast turners should attend their sessions, they went as far as paying for his flights, and they must have a huge balance in their treasury.

Two more contacts are in the works, a possible September demo is possible by Don Mc Ivor of Twisp Washington, and with Eric Loftstrom also from Washington. Eric will probably be early 2016. If you'd like to know more about these turners, it is suggested that you Google and read up on them.

For those of you who were unable to attend the June meeting, be aware that the librarian's duties have been taken over by Jadin Smith and of course we owe a HUGE THANK YOU to DON BARR for the many years of toting the case along to the meetings.

Looking ahead, our annual picnic will be held on Sunday October 4th at the Nipomo County Park. Please be reminded that again this year we'll have our Modified Bocce Ball contest.

The Challenge project for July is to Turn, Create, Modify a turning into a "WORK OF ART" Something not really having a use other than viewing pleasure. Here's a chance to put your creative juices into overdrive.

Challenge for June Bottle Stopper or Pen



Rick Haseman covered all bases with his selection of Pens and Bottle Stoppers



Dan Ross had a full complement of
Pens and Stoppers



Gordon Rowland had a different approach in that his bottle stopper was made for a pre designated use. Custom on base is to give a parting gift for an officer either being transferred to another duty station or retiring. Gordon implants the person's official coin in the top of the stopper and to add a holder when the stopper is not in use



SHOW AND TELL



Bill Kandler in his ever seeking new designs was proud to show a laser design using plastic materials of various colors. Not like most segmented work, the colors are on surface only, and Bill feels that there are some features that will need a bit more work.



Pete Walderberger proudly showed an Olive wood Bottle stopper, Pete is quite active in other interests and so this is a step into wood turning



Bill Peterson has taken to turning Pepper and Salt mills like a duck takes to water. His designs vary with shape, size and assortment of woods



If there's a big turned object on the display table, you just got to know it was done by Doug Brown.

A comment was made about the shape shown as being a model of a nuclear cooling tower

Ramblings

Ernie miller gave us a recap of his trip to Provo for the Utah Symposium, his comments included how much more he enjoyed and learned from the visit comparing to the National AAW Symposiums. He brought along to the meeting several items that bid and won, very different work.

Bill Peterson made a quick presentation on the topic of "MAKERS SPACE. This is a collection of several trade units that can be used by the membership. That would include woodworking to weaving to electronics and many other fields. This can be a place that can be used in need of a particular machine or technology. It is located on the street behind Traders Joe in San Luis Obispo. They do have memberships available, for more info it is suggested that you visit the facility.

The next meeting for our chapter will be on Saturday, July 11th, at the Odd Fellow's hall at 520 Dana St, San Luis Obispo, CA. Start time is 9:00 AM
Don't forget to be creative with your challenge project.

For information on chapter operations, feel free to contact your chapter officers

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If you can, this is a very interesting turning project video