



# Shavings

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## President's Message



Well As I write this letter I see that the blooms on the raspberries are coming on strong, and it looks like it is going to be a good year for them. My trip to Saint Croix Falls paid off even after my canopy got lifted off the ground and ended up in the parking lot about 150 feet away. Yes, there was damage. The wind lifted the canopy and the weight, all 160 pounds of weight, off the ground. The highlights of the trip were the nice weather the day before and the day after the trip and time spent with my wife Pam.

It also is a great time of the year if you are a mosquito. So with that note it would /is the perfect time to make mosquito houses as a challenge project or if you prefer a bird house will do. YouTube has plenty to choose from for bird houses. Just make them smaller should you decide to make a mosquito house. Here is a trick for either one of the houses: for attaching the eye to the top use a fish hook with the shank cut off using a pair of side cutters. Second step is to mount the shank into your handheld drill; it will serve as the drill bit. Drill a hole in the very top of the roof then remove shank from the drill and glue in place with superglue.

Our June meeting was a first for the club with 31 members showing up for a Tuesday night meeting. I was rather pleased.

Jay Eggebrecht shared his visit to Trent Bosch's studio, from what I saw my thoughts are that someday I would like to visit a professional studio for a few days. Jay also demoed the use of the Beall Buffing System  
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## Tuesday, July 8, 6:30 Chapter Meeting

The July 2014 meeting of the MMAW will be held at the Visual Arts Center (VAC) in the lower level of the Paramount Theatre, Downtown S. Cloud.

**July Challenge:** a mosquito house. As with all Challenge Projects, the theme is up to the interpretation and imagination of the participant.



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°taking us through all the steps needed to enhance the appearance of a turning. Thank you Jay!

As mentioned at our last meeting, elections are at our August meeting and so are not far away. These positions are filled by club members wanting our club to continue to grow and move forward. In this issue members of some of these positions are listed are the position that they could possibly fill; should you want to throw you name into the hat it's not too late. For the July meeting a young man will be showing us tips and techniques into the world of pyrography. Chris has visited with us a time or two, and I had a wonderful conversation with him at the Wood Expo this last March. I look forward to him showing us his work and talent.

See you at our next meeting July 8th, 6:30.

## **Monthly Board Meeting JUNE 10th 2014**

### **Agenda:**

1. Condition of lathes
2. Treadle Lathe, Braze part
3. 1642 Jet, Set up
4. Delta Midi, Tail Stock
5. June 14th Art Crawl
6. Anchor Seal Handout
7. Meeting time for next meeting
8. Elections Spot open for one member at large
9. Next month's challenge pyrography
10. Working on getting Chris Kocher to do a demo on wood burning

### **New Jet Lathe and Fundraiser**



## MMAW Regular Monthly Meeting minutes from June 10, 2014

### Old Business

- >Treadle Lathe still needs to be brazed will be done before the Lake George event in August.
- >John Caye, Byron John and Bill Larson collaborated in purchasing the Jet 1542. The new lathe has been assembled and will be getting two wheels attached the headstock end along with a trailer jack at the tailstock this will allow it to become portable. The club is sponsoring a fundraiser for the purchase of a chuck.
- >Delta Midi tailstock is at Jerry Wervey's shop and is being repaired.

### Show and Tell

Tom Harlander: spindle turnings

Dave Kramer: a vase from a pine stump that have fungal streaks and beetle holes

Lenny Merdan:

Walnut and oak segmented vase

Hickory stave segmented container with walnut ribbed lid

Purple heart, lilac, cherry box containing a small sumac box and a small maple box

Jerry Wervey:

Red elm platter finished in linseed oil and shellac

Maple burl bowl with walnut base

Bill Simpson: maple and walnut segmented bowl

### Treasurer's Report

The current balance is \$795. The chapter spent \$2,300 for the purchase of the new Jet lathe. A chuck for the lathe will cost \$700.

### Art Crawl

June 14th MMAW will host Art Crawl in a studio area. Bowls, platters, and other turnings can be sold, and it is up to the individual to keep sales/ earnings or donate a portion or all of it to the club.

### Anchor Seal

Anchor seal handout list cost of 55gallon drum , five gallon and one gallon amounts best pricing at 55gallon amount but decided that the cost was too much five gallon containers cost \$88.00 with shipping included turns out to be the best option for the club.

### Meeting of officers

Meeting time for next officer meeting to be kept at 5:30 time but moved to a different room to assure that the meeting doesn't get interrupted.

### Election of officers

At this time there is one member at large position open. But remember anyone being a member for one calendar year can run for an officer position or member at large up to but not including the president position.

### July Demo

Checking with Chris Kochler about doing a demo on pyrography for the July MMAW Tuesday Night Meeting.  
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### **DVD Baseball hat**

Interactive demonstration in the month of September at a cost of \$50.00 to the club. This would be in conjunction with the club in the cities. Also future possibilities exist for more interactive professional demonstrators.

### **Fall Show**

Beneath the bark or similar show this fall Gary Mrozek will give direction to anyone interested in spearheading this event.

### **Library Showcase**

Items for Saint Cloud Library, for the second week of July through the end of August. Bring items to the July 8th meeting with your name, item turned, type of wood and brief description. Reminder to all club members: we are at all different levels in our turnings; bring what you consider to be your best pieces because that is what matters. Don't compare your work to others.

### **Historical Society Request**

They would like to exhibit the treadle lathe.

### **50/50 Drawing**

Don Monson won \$17.

### **Demo**

Jay Eggebrecht presented a slideshow of his visit to Trent Bosch's home and workshops at the invitation of the Rocky Mountain Woodturners. Following the slideshow Jay demonstrated the use of the Beall System buffing equipment and process.

## **DEMO: Slideshow & Beall System Buffing**



## SHOW AND TELL



**Editor's Note:** I apologize for the poor quality of the photography. I had only the pictures I took with my iPod.

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