

Wisconsin Woodturners Newsletter

From President:

2010 - 2011 Meeting and Demo Schedule

March 26
Texturing

April 23
Chain Saw Operations
Rick Erdnamm

May 14
Art Leistman

June 25
No Meeting

July
No Meeting

August 27
Picnic

September 24

Topics of interest.

Once again our turning group season is coming to an end. We need a topic for April, Art is coming in May, then we are done for the summer. So if anyone has an idea or would like to demo something, please let Floyd know. The Officers will again be looking for topics for next season. So bring your ideas to one of the next meetings so we can get a list started. One of the problems we had this season was getting new faces to step up to the lathe. The ones that did, a BIG THANK YOU for stepping up. But I'm sure you don't want to see the same people up there all the time. New demonstrators always have new ideas which we all enjoy. Next season more of you will be asked to do demos, so if there is something you like to do, you might just as well raise your hand now, before you are asked to do something else:-))) It can be from 20 minutes to 2 hours, there is no time limit. I unfortunately will not be at this meeting, but look forward to seeing everyone in April. Don't forget, BRING YOUR IDEAS.



Rob

Art Leistman Demo:

Join us in May as we host Art Leistman. Widely known and respected for his talented turned art this University Professor is sure to open our minds to some new and exciting processes.

Known for his works appearing like puzzles, some of his work would make you think that it never saw the lathe but it surely did. Art is also known for his tea pots and Terpsichores (dancing sculptures). Also available during Arts visit will be an opportunity to work hands on with him on, I believe, Friday May 13th. This opportunity will only be available to a limited number of participants on a first come first served basis.

There will be an additional charge for both the demo and the hands on class and when those details are worked out by the board I'll let everyone know. For more information on Art and his work I encourage you to visit his web site at www.artleistman.com

This is what Art has told me about the demo.

The theme of this demo is something like "Beyond Round". I'll show a couple of techniques (lost wood and therming) that I've been playing with for a few years to make objects that are not so obviously turned on a lathe. These techniques allow us to make different shapes than we are used to making with standard bowls, spindles, and hollow vessels. I'll also talk about the design of teapots and show some aspects of how I make them. Again, this breaks out of the standard turner's bag of tricks. I would expect that people will see things that are new to them and, hopefully, some of this will inspire them to try something new.

March Demo:

Our March demo is on texturing. I've not been told exactly what will be done with this demo but I'm sure we will find a number of ways to add texture to our turnings that will provide some decorative enhancement. I'm sure Floyd has planned for a number of folks to show us just how they add texture to their turnings and the tools and techniques they use.

Lets also give a big thanks to Jim Parker for stepping in for an ill Ron Hinderman last month. Jim did a great job showing us how he turns platters. Thanks, Jim!!

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For Sale.

Floyd Timm has a Husqvarna Model 300 chain saw for sale with 18" bar and a case. He's firm on the price at \$200 so call him if you're looking for a chain saw.

Wes Ringdahl of the Badger Woodturners has a lathe for sale. It's a USA made Powermatic with a Reeves variable speed drive. It has a three phase motor along with a phase converter to single phase in the base cabinet. He has replaced the spindle and spindle bearings. He'd like to get \$500.00 for it. For more information on this lathe you can email Wes at wpringdahl@gmail.com

Gallery:

Sorry I didn't get any photos of the gallery from my photographer but here's some pics of the demo.

