

Northern Rockies Woodworking Guild

December 31, 2022

Officers

President

Treasurer Jim Rendle

Secretary

Dean Center

10, 6:30 pm

Wood Shop

Next Meeting

Tuesday, January

At Bozeman High

Topic

Carbide Tools

by Dusty Foran

Dusty Foran

Vice President Larry Carucci

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Minutes of the last Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Dusty Foran. 10 members were present.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> The Treasurer was unable to attend, but reported we have \$2248 in the bank.

Old Business

We have made a couple of donations to the Gallatin High School shop—a chuck, an insert for the chuck, and a tool stand on which to mount their grinder.

There was a fair turnout to help Loraine Conn deal with Mike's wood stash. There is still more wood to move, the Bozeman High shop has more wood than they can use right now, so perhaps Gallatin High could use some. Keith, Boyd and John Murray will talk together and make a plan, possibly later this week.

New Business

The January demo was going to be a face-off of bowl gouge grinds, but one of the combatants will be having eye surgery and unable to duke it out. We discussed a substitute demo and deep hollowing was suggested. This is an equipment intense demonstration, and we don't know if anyone has a set up and would be willing to do the demo. Most likely, Dusty will do a carbide tool demonstration. Dean will try to get an announcement on some local calendars, in hopes of attracting brand new turners.

The **President's Challenge** for the month will be Make a Platter, or plate.



Dean Center Secretary

Announcements

Our brand New and Improved **NRWG web site** will be fully operational momentarily. Thank You, Jim!

One important change to note is the web address, as it is different than the old web site.

NRWG.CLUB. (Caps are not needed)

Plug this into your browser, check it out, and bookmark it. There may be some content not yet incorporated, but Jim's done a great job of creating a clean and attractive site.

The club officers will have a new, standardized email address, shortly. Note that these will use the nrwg.CLUB address and not the old .ORG accounts.

Also available with the new web site is a blog feature. Since this is brand new news, we haven't yet figured out how we may make use of it, but we're excited to make use of a much more functional web site.

If you have problems accessing the new site, or ideas or suggestions for corrections or improvements to the site, please email Dean at <u>Secretary@nrwg.CLUB</u>. Wahoo!

The AAW is sponsoring a live virtual demonstration by **Emma Cook, The Tiny Turner**. Saturday, January 21, 2023, Noon Mountain Time. Apparently, Tony isn't the only one who makes microscopic projects. See <u>woodturner.org/events</u> for more info.

December Meeting (con'd)

We had a nice Show and Tell, as seen in the attached photos, and our usual raffle.

The Demo was Boyd showing some of his flat but turned and carved work which is selling well in the gallery. He explained how some of the pieces are made. Then he demonstrated surface power carving using carbide carvers. These are not the circular chainsaw, but discs and drums with spiky carbide points on them.

He gave anyone interested a chance to try them out on a mounted block. Several brave souls gave it a shot and were very surprised at how nonintimidating it was. The tools were easy to control, though the new users were not necessarily accurate in using them. Eyes were opened. Maybe some wallets, too.

Thank you, Boyd! You've shown us a new direction we can take our woodworking and that we can actually make it work.



Boyd Carson Demonstrates Flat Turned Work and Surface Carving























