## MEETING MINUTES AND NEWS

## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Board Meetings: Day may change in January. Stay tuned
- Library: On hold, no interest
- Upcoming events

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# **November Meeting minutes**

The November club meeting was called to order by club president Perry Coffman at 6:30 at the Czech museum. Thank you Grant for arranging this great meeting location. The secretary recorded 32 members and 3 visitors (Jameel our guest Speaker, Nick Cragoe and Patrick Stammeyer) Welcome!

A word on board meetings: We had changed these to meet at Vern's house on the Tuesday following the club meeting. However in January this will change.

Near misses: None reported. That's great news!!

Perry discussed the Presidents challenge which will be awarded at the December Christmas party. Something made in 2017 with a drawer and an in process



#### photo.

Don Coleman asked about grinder motor run away. Consensus seemed to be to replace the motor. Joannie talked about tree ring separation, and what to



## **Monthly Demonstration**

Last months primary demonstration was given by Jameel Abraham. Jameel is a fine craftsman that has been featured in several wood working magazines and he is the organizer of Handworks in Amana. Jameel's family owns and operates BenchCrafted. Jameel gave us a very detailed presentation of how he made the inlay and embellishments on his tool chest lid. These tool chests were used by craftsman to show off their skill and capability in addition to holding their collection of fine hand tools. The club has never been so silent and attentive!

#### look for.

Jeff reminded us of a new wood source in Van Horn, contact Patrick at 319-560-6740.

Perry Coffman held a class at Vern's shop to go over hand plane disassembly, sharpening and a hands on demo on using them effectively.

Speaking of sharpening. At the January meeting we will be polling the club on your sharpening techniques. Please offer up your methods, tools and techniques. We hope to have a small sharpening workshop featuring some of your ideas and approaches.



Grant Smith also gave us a presentation of the large table he made. Huge slab on metal legs with an epoxy coating on the table top. Very interesting how he removed the bubbles with a propane torch.

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Shop tours and Raffle

None are scheduled currently.

If you would like to hold one please let Perry know.

Perry is sponsoring a series of small group workshops. His first wass focused on using hand planes. These groups will be about 5 people. Let Perry know if you are interested in a topic.

Shop tours can also be a time to demo a skill, techniques or project you are proud of. It is always a great time for getting aquatinted and asking questions. Raffle winners: Show and Tell

\$10, Nick Cragoe

General raffle winners were; \$10, Mark Goodsmith

\$20, Larry Luebbert,

\$30, Don Coleman.

Thanks for your raffle participation. The money received goes to pay the raffle gift cards and helps to pay for the food at the picnic and holiday party, plus club supplies and booth

#### rentals.

Speaking of raffles: The Christmas party raffle is free! You do not pay for anything at this event.

The club is still growing. Do you know we are now over 64 members strong? We currently have 64 members. We seem to pick up two or three at every meeting, which is wonderful. The Board has placed club flyers at Acme Tools. If you have a friend interested in woodworking please bring them along. Please advise them of the meeting change beginning in January (3rd Thursday).

Which brings up another con-

# **Club elections coming**

cern. The roster has seen significant growth with new members over the past three years. Our new members need to speak up so we can understand your interests and needs. Many of the demos that we have conducted in our clubs early years may be due for a refresh for the benefit of the new people. So..... Speak up. We have added two more at large board members to bring forward new ideas. Please feel free to contact Jeff Van and Tim Vest with your ideas.

In January we will hold our annual elections. We will for sure need someone to step up to be club secretary. It appears that Mark will be leaving the club. He will not accept a 2018 nomination. Relo to MI soon.



# **Upcoming events**

December 9th: Xmas party. This is a combined party with the Woodturners club, lots of show and tell, raffle prizes and good eats. Spouses are included. Bring a pot luck item to share, Setup at 9am, arrive at 11am, eat at 12. Bring table service and dish to share. Usually over about 2pm. Show and Tell plus Presidents challenge. Lots of raffles. Note there will be a different approach to the raffle. Those of you in both clubs will be asked to pick a raffle ticket from one or the other club. Not both. The prizes will be different depending on the club you pick. The next regular club meeting is on January 18th. Elections and a demo will be provided.

The February meeting will feature a demonstration by Jerry Herman.

January begins a new year. Please plan to update your annual dues. WoodCrafters

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**Board members** 

The *Corridor WoodCrafters* is a special interest club, based in East -central Iowa organized to share the knowledge, skills, and common interest of woodworking skills and practices. Members include all levels from novice to professional woodworkers.



# Show and Tell items

Tom Nehl-Turned 3D breadboard pattern bowl, 384 pcs. Alos Tom showed 2 flasks he turned and wood burned.

Joannie West-Turned flask using a bowl gouge ( not pictured)

Jeff Van—3D bowl with pine and walnut

Tim West-bowl spalted maple, beeswax finish

Jeff Kromminga-Cedar outdoor bench, photos, feature marine spar varnish

Larry Luebbert—Larry took a Marc Adams class to learn to carve. Several of his practice boards were shown. As well as a carving on a board he plans to incorporate into a chest of drawers.

Nick Cragoe- Showed us and Osage bow and discussed how he makes them.

Grant Smith- ginormous walnut table with metal legs



