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Meeting Announcements

- **Many thanks** to Bob Roehrig who took the notes for the September meeting.
- **There are some DVD's and books** available by Cheryl Dow on "Pyrography Techniques". Tom discussed these and asked if there would be interest by the club to purchase some of these for the club library. Show of hands indicated this would be a good idea. Also, members of the club indicated there is an interest in having Cheryl possibly do a demo and hands on at a later date. Will check into this and get back at a later meeting
- **Discussion of club yearly dues** was held. Tom asked the members how they felt about keeping dues the same at \$95.00 per year or maybe reducing them now that we do not pay a monthly building rental fee as was the case with the facilities in Ann Arbor. Members indicated by a show of hands vote that they would like to see the dues kept the same at \$95.00 per year. The purchase of a larger lathe for the club like a Powermatic or similar was also discussed. Members indicated this would be a good idea to have a quality larger lathe for upcoming demo's etc. Tom said he will check with the AAW to see if they are still offering discounted Powermatic lathes for club use. We will further discuss this at the

next club meeting. Additional note on dues: Out of your total \$95.00 club dues, \$40.00 goes to pay your AAW annual dues for the year. Anyone in the club who feels that the \$95.00 yearly dues will be a hardship to them was asked to contact Tom and something will be worked out.

- **Election committee** will be discussed at next months meeting
- **There is a new AAW Chapter being organized in the Adrian, Michigan area.** They meet the 2nd Saturday of the month at the shop of Ted Wilkens, 4219 Sauk Trail. Contact Ted at tedwilkins@yahoo.com or Arthur McVicar at 517-423-4428 for more information. Sounds like a good alternative for those from the South. We wish Ted and Arthur the best of luck with their new venture.

We Got Mail...

Phil,

Here's the scoop on this International Great Lakes Chainsaw Sculptors' Competition and Conservation Wood Fair on May 31 thru June 4, 2006 at the Eaton County Fair Grounds in Charlotte, MI.... If anyone is interested in turning and selling their stuff have them contact me by e-mail or phone. Thanks for helping me get the word out.

Jim

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Dues:

\$95.00/year, includes A.A.W. Membership. Remit at the December meeting or by mail to:

Timothy Morris, Treasurer
1673 Woodlake Circle
Brighton, MI 48116

Meetings:

will now be held from 1 – 3 p.m. on the first Sunday of the month at the workshop of:

Dave Gordon

10621 Milford Rd.
Holly, Michigan 48442

Note New Location**Next Meeting:**

**November 6,
2005**

Changes**We have a new member:**

Terry Steller

3990 Gleaner Hall Road

Ann Arbor, MI 48105

734-216-5048

Tsteller@specproj.com

Please update your rosters

Welcome, Terry. We hope you enjoy your time with us. If you have any wuestions, just ask.

2006
International Great Lakes
Chainsaw Sculptors' Competition

Welcome to Michigan

Dear Carver,

Welcome to the 2006 International Great Lakes Chainsaw Sculptor's Competition in Charlotte, Michigan at the Eaton County Fair Grounds. We are so happy that you could make it to this first event of its kind here in the heart of Michigan. This event will be combined with a Conservation Wood Fair, which will take place on the other side of the property. You will be provided a log, first come first serve. You mark the log you want and it will be placed at your carving site (please only mark one log).

The carvers will be provided space under permanent structures down by the camping area on the grounds. The structures will be wrapped in netting to keep the public at bay while carving. This is an all tools competition, so bring those finishing tools, guys and gals. There will be electricity available throughout the structures.

You will be expected to carve a quick carve each day of the competition for your entrance fee. Or you may pay \$100 as an entrance fee that will take you out of the quick carve competition. Daily, there will be an auction of the quick carves carved that day.

Sunday will be dedicated to awards ceremonies. If you have carvings of your own you want to have auctioned off, this is going to be the time to do that. The auctioneer will receive 10% of the sale price. You may bring carvings to sell during the event. If you decide to auction off your main piece, this will be the time for that also. You get to keep your main piece and do with it as you wish.

The Super 8 Motel (517) 543-8288, will be the host of the competition, with 50 rooms in it. The motel is within walking distance from your carving area. \$50 a night for single and \$55 for two or more to a room. The grounds have full hook-ups for 240 RV's and campers, restrooms and showers. These camping areas are in an old growth, heavily wooded area about 50 to 150 feet from where you will be carving. Yes, you can have fires in your campsites also.

There will be security for the area provided by the Charlotte, MI police department inside and around the grounds. I'll let you know what the rates on the rooms will be; the camping will be \$10 per night. There is also a Holiday Inn Express across highway 69 and a Meijer store, which is a grocery and "you name it" store, right across the highway open 24/7. The Comfort Inn is just up the road as another option for a room at this event. There will be plenty of BBQ food vendors on the property. I'll have a restaurant right on the grounds to keep you fed for the duration of the event. Hopefully, I can get the Jaycees, Lion Club, Elks Club, Rotary Club and others to do breakfast for you daily. There is a full service kitchen on the grounds with seating for 300. So, I think I did you all right by going the extra mile and renting the entire fair grounds for us to play in.

Don't forget to go down and check out the Conservation Wood Fair at the other end of the property when you have time. It will give you an education, information and many artists that will be glad to talk to you, and provide their works of art for sale. I have over thirty different organizations from the entire southern part of Michigan to enlighten the public and the carvers about what services they provide.

There will also be a group of artists from across the state and outside of it that will have their work for sale under the grandstands in booths. They will also be part of the Wood Fair by talking about their work. Different organizations and other woodworkers will give demonstrations on everything from wood turning to bowstring making, and basket weaving by native Americans.

One topic for discussion is the use of urban wood, and I believe we all fall into that category by doing our part to help use it by carving the wonderful sculptures we do in people's yards. Also for discussion will be the effect of the Emerald Ash Borer and what it has done to trees in Michigan, and what options we have for the wood devastated by this intruder. Remember these organizations are in your states and countries, so make note of whom they are. They are the stewards of the natural resource in which we use to make our living, and with which we compete against each other.

Thank you for your support,
Jim Madsen
6448 Billwood Hwy
Potterville, MI 48876

(517) 645-4594

Wood Fair Demos & Sales

Woodturners

WMW

MAW Ernie Shuetes, Bill Cushing,

DAW

Furniture Makers

Bath furniture maker, Monroe furniture maker

Native American Baskets

Andrea connection from CD Wood Fair.

Joe Ireland Oscoda, MI – natural resources utilized completely

Wheat weaver – Melissa Ruboianes (248) 303-0724

Portable Sawmills

Don Brown, Jim Graves, Mike Shockley

Chainsaw Carver

Jim Madsen,

Instrument Makers

Flute Cruz,

Guitar Gallop Guitar Building,

Drums

Wind Chimes Chime garden (1-877-wchimes) www.chimegarden.com

Boat/Canoe Builders

Eaton Rapids canoe builder,

Timber Frame Builders

Log Home Builders

Log furniture, railings and stairs: Normark – Mark Easterie – 877-828-8283

Word to the Wise...

Posted By: Roger Dunn. This is what will happen to you if you allow a 15 inch by 8 inch blank to dry for a month after you glued up a bark inclusion with CA glue and then whilst Turing up the blank, you cleanly shear cut all of the CA on the outside of the bowl away, because it didn't glue up the entire inclusion, and then to get the last little bit of tearout cut away, you turn up the speed just a scosh and find yourself reaching through the 'throw zone' as Mr. Centrifugal force takes over the process and throws the 20 pound blank off the chuck, when you didn't take the time to bring up the tailstock

for additional support. If you wear a face shield, you will only get a glancing blow similar to this which will put you to both knees. Like me however the CT Scan at the hospital will show there is no broken bones or gray matter to help hampered, rushed, cocky, overconfident thought processes. Just when you believe that it can never happen, this is what is left





MAW's New Digs

Clarence Gordon's son Dave has kindly agreed to host us in his pole barn in Holly. The spacious structure will provide us with plenty of space for our monthly meetings as well as abundant room for our upcoming workshops and demos.

Dave's address is 10621 Milford Road outside of Holly. Dave's phone is 248-561-9303.

It's easy enough to find Dave's place: From Ann Arbor, take 23 North to M-59, head east on M-59 to Milford Road. Turn left onto Milford Road. You're getting close when you see the sign for Diehl's Orchard, it will be about a mile past the second railroad crossing, on the left. It'll take you about 45 minutes, much less if you drive like <cough> Tom <cough>.

Anyone interested in forming a carpool/ caravan from Ann Arbor, or if you need help getting directions from your own house to Dave's place, please contact Phil Clevenger at 734-761-8737 or philclevenger@comcast.net.

See you there!





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Visit our Website: www.wichiganwoodturner.org

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Wanted: Welding equipment, gas or electric, in good working order. Contact Phil Clevenger at 734-761-8737 or philclevenger@comcast.net. Also looking for metalworking and metalforming tooling and equipment.

YOUR AD HERE: Free to members. Contact Phil Clevenger at 734-761-8737 or philclevenger@comcast.net.

Please Note:

The next meeting of the Michigan Association of Woodturners will be Sunday, November 6, 2005 from 1 – 3 p.m. At the workshop of Dave Gordon, 10621 Milford Road, Holly, MI. See Details on page 5. Contact Clarence Gordon at 248-634-4855 or Dave Gordon at 248-561-9303 for more information.