



Contains July 2023 Minutes

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THE BUCKEYE BARK
July 8th, 2023

Anyone wishing to submit pictures for the newsletter please send them to the editor within two days of the meeting

*******Note*******

Buckeye Woodturners Meeting
NW Family Rec. Center
Akron, OH
July 8, 2023

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Stransky

The July 8, 2023 meeting of the Buckeye Woodworkers and Woodturners was held at the Northwest Family Recreation Center in Akron, Ohio. President Bob Hasenyager started by welcoming all to the meeting. Bob reminded everyone that there is a new monthly bulletin on the sign in table that you should pick up before leaving. This month's meeting was the annual fund raising auction.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WHAT'S COMING UP

If anyone would like to have their name and the BWWT logo embroidered on any new (preferably) or gently worn shirt or other item, see Ray Marr.

Club photographer Bob Stone would like to step down from taking pictures at the club meetings. The main duty for the photographer is to take pictures of the club meetings, demonstrations and activities that occur during the meeting. It's one of those things that is a lot easier than it sounds. There is a club camera available for use, so no investment other than your time is needed. You also have an opportunity to see each demonstration up close and personal. Please

see any board member if you would like to volunteer for this position.

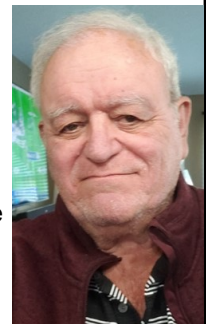
Next month's meeting will feature Ethan Moore from Stockroom Supply from Ontario, Canada. Ethan will be showing many tips and tricks for using a bandsaw. He will also be showing how to use some of the bandsaw accessories that he has available. Be sure to check out the website www.stockroomsupply.com to see the selection of different products and videos on how to use some of them. Ethan is also offering a 10% discount with free shipping on orders placed before August 8, 2023. These orders will be delivered at the August BWWT meeting.

Thanks go out to Bob Stone for taking pictures of today's activities.

HALL OF FAME INDUCTION

Each year, BWWT chooses one or two members for induction into the BWWT Hall of Fame. Last month Dave Hout was inducted at the Doll Lumber picnic. The other member who was to be inducted was not at last month's meeting, so it was decided to make the presentation at this meeting. It is our pleasure to announce that Jack Boggio was also inducted. For all of you here, the best way to describe all that Jack has done for BWWT would be to read one of the letters that recommended him.

In the five or six years that I've known Jack he has been one of the most active and contributing members in BWWT. With few exceptions Jack has multiple pieces on the monthly Show-N-Tell table that serve as a challenge and encouragement to other club members to expand their turning into new areas. His pieces exhibit a level of creativity that leaves you asking yourself, "Now how did he think of that?" He is a very skilled artist and craftsman and eagerly shares his knowledge and



resources with fellow club members.

As a fellow board member for the past two years, Jack has been a constant source of new and creative ideas that are geared to make BWWT a stronger club by creating enlightening and enriching activities for his fellow club members. He pushes us all to be better, as a club and as individual turners.

Jack has hosted workshops and demonstrations (i.e., tool making, resin pouring, slab flattening, top making, and individual mentoring sessions, to mention just a few) in his shop for interested club members. He was instrumental in supporting the purchase of our club trailer and completed the lion's share of the work in adapting it to accommodate our lathes and related tools and accessories.

He has been the driving force behind expanding the raffle table by dramatically increasing the quality of items for club members to select from. He spends countless hours searching the Internet and other sources looking for attractive buys that would appeal to club members and encourage them to purchase (more) raffle tickets. This has caused a significant increase in the funds raised for BWWT to use in expanding opportunities for club members while keeping costs low. The firm financial footing that BWWT enjoys is in no small measure due to Jack's tireless efforts.

Jack has been an avid supporter and participant in helping the club have a significant "outreach" into area camps and organizations where BWWT has used club resources to introduce campers, active and retired military personnel, and first responders to the excitement of woodturning.

Jack has been a constant help in supplying high quality wood for club members at prices significantly below market value. He helps find resources for raw wood, helps Ray Marr transport it back to Ray's home, and is at Ray Marr's almost every time wood is being milled for future sales to club members.

To top it all off when you call Jack's name you are always greeted with a genuine smile. And if that were not enough, he always, well almost always, laughs at my jokes.

As modest as Jack is at times, he is also quick to express his thanks and encouragement. A good example of this is a letter he sent to me after his induction.

I wanted to thank everyone involved in awarding me the Hall of Fame award. I also would like to say a few words about my thoughts on this presentation. This would not have been possible without everyone in our club. Yes, I am involved in a lot of the happenings with Buckeye Woodturners, but so are many oth-

ers. We were without a meeting place due to covid, so I wrote a letter to the mayor of Akron asking for help. Shortly after that, I was contacted by Jeff Mourton. After a few e-mails, a face to face meeting was requested by Mr. Mourton. Mark Stransky accompanied me to that session and within a few hours, we had a new meeting place here at the Northwest Community Center. At this point, the hardest working board of directors anyone can imagine jumped into action. Before you knew it, we were out of Y-Noah and into the Northwest Community Center.

As many of you know, I moved to Ohio from Sothern California where I was a member of the San Diego Wood Turners, the second largest turning club in the AAW. I brought with me the experiences of that club. I would make suggestions to the board based on my experiences in San Diego and again and again our board would act with enthusiasm in making Buckeye better and better. They all worked tirelessly throughout the transition to our current facility. After getting settled in, our directors continue to work overtime improving every aspect of the club.

I was given the award to the Hall of Fame, but I say kudos to all of those who helped along the way. It was not just me but all the board members plus a bunch more who volunteered a countless amount of time to get us where we are.

For those of you who are new or those who have not yet taken a position with the club, let me encourage you to do so. The benefits are enormous. I give occasional classes at my shop. Every time I put on a class someone comes up with something new. I teach but I learn more and more every class from the students. I work with Ray Marr to collect and cut wood. Everyone benefits. The money from the sales all goes to the club treasury. Those that help on workdays get a few pieces of wood for free. Keep in mind that they are there and get first pick, so they get the best pieces. Those who are there the most (including me) are there for the best selections. This is another win for the worker bees. Helping at the pen teaching sessions (Hartville Hardware, Military Family Center and Camp Carl) takes a small amount of time but the experience is unbelievably rewarding. You really need to experience it to understand. The same goes for the demos at Hartville Hardware or Hardesty Park. The Wooster show is coming soon. Take advantage of this event and submit a piece for judging. If you haven't done it before, you don't have to go in looking for best of show. My greatest feeling was the first time I received a third place ribbon. I encourage you to give it a shot.

If you look at all the above, you should see what motivates me to do what I do. I learn from all of you,

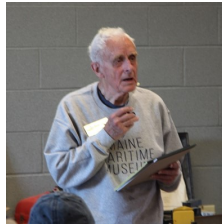
sometimes just in conversation during the meetings. I always have lots to do. You can be as active as you like. You can do a lot or just a little. It all helps. I also get to be with the best friends anyone could ever want, the membership of Buckeye Woodworkers and Wood Turners.

I thank you all. Now jump in there with me and have some fun.

*Thanks for the award,
Jack Boggio*

WAYNE CENTER FOR THE ARTS WOODTURNING EXHIBITION

George Raeder presenting details on the Wayne Art Center Woodturning Exhibition



The dates of the Wayne Center for the Arts Woodturning Exhibition have been announced. The show will open with an open house and awards ceremony on August 31, 2023. The show will close on September 20, 2023. All entries must be submitted at the August 12, 2023 club meeting and will be returned at the October 21, 2023 meeting. If anyone cannot make the August submittal date, entries can be dropped off at George Raeder's home. Contact George at 330-576-3355 to make arrangements for the drop off. Please remember that ALL ENTRIES MUST BE PROPERLY BOXED UP FOR SUBMITTAL per the instructions on the entry form!! No submittals in bags or loose without a container. Pretend that your submittal will be sent to California (or farther) by the worst carrier you can think of and will be handled by a bunch of apes (think of the old Samsonite commercial on TV) and pack it accordingly.

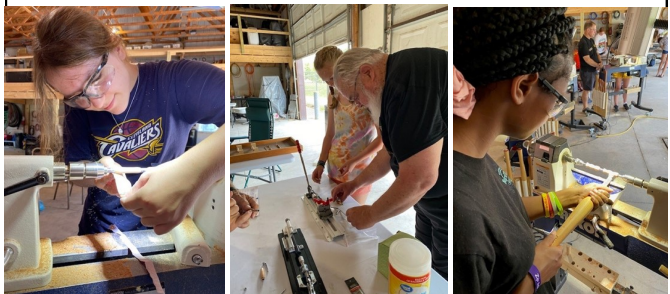
PENS FOR TROOPS

This year BWWT will work with Woodcraft so members will once again have the opportunity to participate in the Pens for Troops program. Woodcraft will supply pen kits and wood blanks for turning pens that will be distributed to service members in VA Hospitals, troops overseas and in the U.S. In 2021, BWWT members completed 280 pens. In 2022 the goal was set at 300 pens and BWWT members ended up making 410 pens! I have no idea what to set as a goal for this year, but I am just hoping for the best. If you would like to participate in making pens, see or contact Mark Stransky to sign up for a kit or two. Each kit will have materials to make 10 pens. The only thing you will need to furnish is your time, some sandpaper,

and the finish. Last year Richard Rohr held the record for making pens at 50 (I suspect he had a little help). Let's see if someone wants to beat that record. Pen kits will be distributed at the September meeting and are due back at the November meeting.

CAMP CARL WOODTURNING WEEK

The week of July 10 through July 13, BWWT members held a woodturning workshop at Camp Carl in Portage County. This workshop gave summer campers the opportunity to make a pen of their design. Bill Marble, Larry Garver, Ben Darrah, Bruce Minich, Richard Rohr, Tim McMillin, Gayle Seymour and Marshall Holmes were only some of the BWWT members who helped with the weeklong sessions. There were over 75 campers who participated in these sessions.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Bob is still recovering from vacation this month so he will be back next month with another round of his wit and wisdom.

AND A WORD FROM OUR VICE-PRESIDENT

Summer is here and in full swing. I always have plans to attend to things once summer gets here but it seems that there is a continuous stream of unforeseen interruptions that come along. Those seem to be in full swing too. I did manage to get the slab of highly figured (and very wet) maple that I picked up at Doll Lumber last month cut into turning blanks. I had no time to turn them so I wrapped it all up in plastic wrap (to keep them from checking) and added them to the pile of wood to be rough turned as soon as possible! That pile just keeps getting bigger. There is now a very large (28 inch diameter) walnut log laying in the barn drive as well. After 3 hours of pounding on 8 wedges it is now two pieces of walnut. Time to get out the chain saw.

The July meeting was the second meeting in a row where we were fed! Ray & Diane Marr put on a really nice spread donating all proceeds to the club. The July meeting was also the club auction and it had some really impressive pieces of machinery donated. This included some serious cut off saws as well as a complete vacuum chucking system. Lots of other interesting tools and wood as well. There were many good deals to be had and the club coffers were replenished after the recent purchase of 3 additional Midi Lathes and the associated equipment that goes with them. This will expand the club's ability to support both local club teaching sessions as well as offsite outreach venues. My understanding is that all has been delivered and will shortly be assembled and added into the club inventory.

Speaking of offsite outreach venues, we just completed another week of summer camp out at Camp Carl. Marshall Holmes puts a lot of heart and soul into arranging and guiding these events and does an outstanding job at it. We supported the camp for 4 days this year and I am not sure how Marshall does it. There were a lot of other club members who jumped in to lend a hand too. Thank you all for this effort. I am sure Marshall will report the names as I know there were many people who helped out doing everything from preparing pen blanks, setting up, tearing down and showing up to teach the students. The two days that I put in were great. I got to work with some nice people both from the club and from the camp (and they fed us too). I know that there was an over-

abundance of gratitude from the campers as well as the camp itself. There were many satisfied customers at the end of each session. Thanks again Marshall and the many supporters that helped make this event a success.

Another one of our upcoming events, the Wayne Center for the Arts woodturning show is fast approaching. Another invaluable club asset, George Raeder is once again arranging this event. George and Darrell Dube put a lot of effort into getting this show arranged, set up, carried out and then torn down again for both BWWT and NCWT. The show opens August 31st and runs for a few weeks. For months I have been trying to get into the shop to get some items turned for this show. My path for the previous shows that I have participated in has been to rush things at the last moment. I like to try new things and this show gives me an excuse to do that each year. This year I am working on my first basket weave illusion piece. Working out a pattern and then implementing it has been a bit mind scrambling and is making me cross eyed. I have gained a lot of appreciation for the people that do this. My only suggestion at this point is to start small and work it out on paper first. The rush is on!

The plan for the rest of the summer is still to get in as much turning as I can in between all of life's interruptions. There is plenty of both wet and dry wood to be turned. I keep rediscovering how much fun it is to turn wet wood and that it becomes much more difficult to turn once it is dry. However, the dry wood forces you to concentrate on your tool technique and to sharpen your tools. Either way, wet or dry keep making chips, the more you make the easier it becomes.

MONTHLY WINNERS

The monthly nametag winner was Bruce Minich. Each month the nametag winner will receive a \$20 gift certificate so don't forget to wear your nametag at each meeting and sign in at the sign in table.

The BWWT Newsletter "Did You Read It" challenge took last month off but is back again. As a recap, each month there is a word hidden in the newsletter. The dues paid members who read the newsletter and submit an email to Mark Stransky that they found the hidden word and where in the newsletter it was will be entered in the monthly drawing. The winner will be determined by a random draw of those submitted entries and the winner will receive a \$20 gift certificate. You must be present at the meeting or on the online Zoom session to win. The new keyword for this newsletter is "tne". Please keep in mind that the keyword used in the previous sentence doesn't count as a winning entry.

**Annual BWWT Auction Fundraiser
July 8, 2023**

*Respectfully submitted,
Mark Stransky*

Once again BWWT members came through with plenty of donations that made our annual auction an overwhelming success. There were tools, machinery, odds and ends, and of course PLENTY OF WOOD. Ray and Diane Marr, along with their family again donated the food for the luncheon along with all the donations for lunch that were made. Many members went the route of “keep the change” when it came time to settle up for the items that they bought, and we thank them for those additional donations. A special shout out goes to Larry Garver for his \$80 donation after the auction. It seems he kept getting out bid on all that he tried to buy, and just gave up and made the donation.



Even the left over lunch was sold -Keeping track of all the sales is a 2 man job



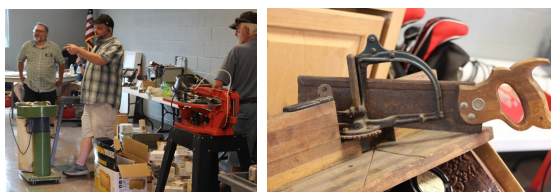
Silent Auction Table



Some of the treasures and Brent looking for that last dollar



Yes, there was some wood to sell



The Marr Family luncheon was a hit again this year

BEADS OF COURAGE

The Beads of Courage program deals with seriously ill children and their treatment. As each child goes through various treatments and procedures, the child receives a special bead signifying that accomplishment. These procedures can be anything from getting a medicinal shot, an I.V. or any medical or surgical procedure. The Beads of Courage organization provides boxes for each child to store their beads. These boxes are hand crafted and donated by various organizations and BWWT members can submit boxes. Information about the program can be found at the organization's website <https://beadsofcourage.org>. BWWT will have a supply of Beads of Courage medallions for each box. BWWT will be donating boxes to Akron Children's Hospital and all boxes should be brought to BWWT meetings for donation. Let's continue making this a regular donation to this great cause. Guidelines for making boxes are as follows:

- Turned or rectangular boxes are acceptable.
- Recommended interior dimensions for turned boxes are 5" to 6" diameter and 4" to 5" high. Recommended interior dimensions for flatwork boxes are 4" x 6" x 4" high. Please keep in mind that these dimensions are approximate and anything close will work.
- Box bases should be wide enough so the box is stable and does not tip over easily. Lids should be easy for small or ill children to remove or lift. Any finials should be easy for a small child to grasp and not too elaborate so they don't break. Avoid designs that could easily break or be damaged.
- The finish on the boxes is extremely important! Children who receive these boxes are susceptible to germs and infections. Each box should be sanded inside and outside so that there are no rough surfaces that can trap dirt or germs and **MUST HAVE A NON-TOXIC FINISH** on both the inside and outside of the box. Please avoid finishes that require extended drying time or out gassing (some oil finishes) and finishes that have a strong odor (all forms of lacquer). Unfinished boxes cannot be accepted for donation. All kinds of wood are beautiful! Please do not paint Beads of Courage boxes. Instead, highlight the beauty of the wood with a clear finish and/or burning.

One thing that I wish I would have done last year but overlooked was tracking how many boxes BWWT members donated to Beads of Courage. I estimate that in 2022 there were at least 35 boxes donated.

This year I plan on keeping track of donations. So far this year we have had 23 boxes donated.

ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

If any member has an article they would like to include in the newsletter, don't hesitate to send it to either : [Mark Stransky](#) or [Keith Bellamy](#) and it will appear in the next newsletter.

SAFETY NOTE

Be sure to use proper safety equipment including eye, hearing and breathing protection whenever you are working on projects in your workshop. Make sure that you fully understand and follow the safe operating procedures for every piece of equipment that you use.

FREE RAFFLE TICKETS – GET THEM HERE!

If you are a Menard's Shopper and don't always apply for the rebate, bring your Menard's receipts to the monthly meeting. BWWT frequently purchases from Menard's and we receive a tax free purchase benefit as a non-profit. We'll handle the receipt rebate refund and use the funds for future items for the raffle table. It doesn't matter how small the rebate is since we'll pool all the receipts. Each Menard's receipt you donate for the rebate earns one free raffle ticket. Several of the monthly raffle items come from Menard's as we are always shopping there.

MEMBER DISCOUNT PROGRAMS

Members in good standing are eligible for 10% discounts at Hartville Hardware and Penn State Industries. See Dirk Falther for more information on our discount programs.

UPCOMING MEETING ACTIVITIES AND DEMONSTRATIONS

August 12 meeting: Ethan Moore from Stockroom Supply in Canada will be demonstrating bandsaw set up and some accessories that you will find helpful.

September 9 meeting: Don Horn will be our demonstrator and will show how he makes his acorn box and birdhouses.

October 21 meeting: Jeff Farris from Woodpeckers will give a demonstration on using carbide woodturning tools.

SOME FINAL THOUGHTS – JUST FOR THE HECK OF IT

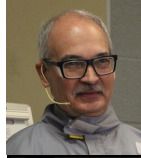
I love being married. It's so great to find that special someone you want to annoy for the rest of your life.

A married man's confession: I always read my wife's horoscope to see what kind of day I'm going to have.

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