

PAW General Meeting 2024-08-24

Prescott Area Woodturners met at 6708 Corsair in the Prescott Airpark on Saturday August 24, 2024.

Before the meeting, all bowls collected for the Empty Bowls Event on September 8 were displayed. Creators of the bowls stood behind the display for a picture.

President Ric Davis called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. He welcomed 43 in-person attendees, including new member Andy Smith, and 3 on Zoom. Treasurer Dennis Egan gave a financial report.

Ric noted that the Nominating Committee will present a list of nominees for 2025 at our October meeting. We will vote on the nominees at the November General Meeting. If you have any interest in serving, see Walt Spencer.

There will be a Tuesday Demo on August 27 at Ken Allen's shop. This will be a hands-on opportunity to follow Ken's demonstration this morning.

Ric said that we now have a source for logo shirt embroidery. Members can take any shirt to the Scrubs4Less store in the Safeway shopping center in Prescott Valley. They will embroider our logo for \$8 and will add your name for \$6.

Dave Henderson talked about LATHE SAVETY. He reminded everyone to make sure the chuck fits tight against the spindle.

The display at the Prescott Public Library ends on August 31. If you have your work on display, make sure to be at the Library at 9:00 a.m. to collect it.

September 8 is the Empty Bowl Event on Courthouse Square in Prescott. Between the club and students at Yavapai College woodturning classes, we will donate around 250 bowls this year. We will stagger the wood bowls with the ceramic bowls offered during the day. PAW will have a 10' X10' tent with demonstrators during the event. Dean Humphrey has a sign-up sheet for demonstrators.

September 14 PAW will be at the Prescott Farmers Market. Members can sell their work. Dean needs help with set-up and take-down.

WIT (Women in Turning) is a special interest group within PAW and AAW. They had a class at Yavapai College, where they made wig stands. Those will be donated to E-Beauty, who distributes them to women with cancer and alopecia.

Woodettes social group will meet at the home of Patti Spencer on September 12.

Chips 'n Grits will meet on Zoom at 8:30 a.m. on September 12.

Ric Davis introduced Ken Allen as today's demonstrator. Ken showed us how to take a chunk of wood and turn it into a basket-illusion vase. Ken said that he learned this process from Phil Brown. Ken explained that the vase can be used with artificial flowers, or, with the insertion of a glass tube, with live flowers.

Ken listed eight steps in the creation of this vase:

1. Shape. Use a storyboard to recreate dimensions.
2. Bead. Use beading tool. On storyboard used 10 beads on bottom and 7 beads on top.
3. Adjust shape and wire burn lines outlining beads
4. Index mark – make pencil marks around to prepare for woodburning
5. Drill and part off
6. Woodburn beads
7. Ink pattern
8. Sign and apply finish

Ken followed these steps in his demonstration. He described each tool he used, as well as changes to lathe speed as needed.

Once the vase was turned and the wood burning complete, Ken used the spreadsheet he created at the beginning of the project to apply the pattern. He uses India ink because it does not fade. He first marks the design with only a dot of color. The dots can be removed with an Xacto knife if a mistake is made.

When the design is complete, spray lacquer is the final finish.

For details and pictures, refer to PAW Newsletter for September/October. The Newsletter also includes the hand-out Ken included with his presentation.

Show & Tell included 10 wig stands made by WIT, as well as beautiful works by members.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marge Hunt, Secretary

P.S. My thanks to Susan Kissel for taking notes at this meeting, as I was unable to attend. *mh*