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Next Meeting

The Next meeting of the Corridor Woodturners will be held at 11 AM on December 7 at the Antioch Christian Church, 433 Cross Road, Marion (adjacent to Hwy 13). This is the annual Christmas party and will be a pot luck meal with show and tell and door prizes afterward. Spouses are encouraged to bring their projects for show and tell also. Bring any pieces you would like to use for show and tell. Anything made in the past year would be fine.

Upcoming Meetings

- All of December-ornament photo contest-Tom Mills
- December, -Christmas Party-Antioch Church
- January 9,-Bruce Kruse-Pyrography Basics
- February13-Texturing- Greg Ellyson
- March-1&2Carvers Show
- March-13- Book Covers Chris Navurskis

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Last Meeting

Last month Tom Mills gave a presentation on making a tea light lantern. His presentation follows:

Tea Light Lantern

You will want to obtain your tea lights before starting, so you can verify the diameter and height prior to drilling the blanks.



Start with wood blanks that are 2-1/4 inches square by 4-1/2 inches long. Mark a line 1-1/2 inches from one end, and extend that line around all four sides. Drill 1 inch diameter holes on all four sides, accurately centering them on the width of the side. If you're inaccurate with the centering of the four holes, it'll show on the final product. The end of the blank nearest the holes will be the 'bottom' of the lantern. Center punch both ends of the blanks and turn them round with a tenon on the 'top' end.



Mount the blank in the scroll chuck, and you can use a live center to help align the blank for drilling. Drill the hole in the bottom for the tea light. Mine were 1-1/2 inches diameter, and 13/16 deep. Change out to a 1-3/8 drill, and



President's Message December 2024

Hope your Holiday season is getting off to a good start. Time to begin to make all those Christmas presents and ornaments before the big day.

Speaking of Christmas gifts, we are again having a Christmas Gift Photo Contest. Snap a photo of whatever you make as a gift and send it to the club email (corridorturners@gmail.com), along with some info about the item and the intended recipient. I'll compile the entries into a slide show, and pick a winner at random for a gift card. If you forget to take a photo of the gift before it's opened, do it after and send it in before December 29th.

The annual club Christmas party will be next Saturday, December 7, at Antioch Christian Church, 433 Cross Road, Marion. We'll start around 11:00, with lunch at noon. It's a potluck, with the club providing meat and drinks. Bring your own table service. This is a joint party with the Corridor Wood Crafters. There will be door prizes and a show-and-tell.

The next regular club meeting is January 9, at the high school. Bruce Kruse will present a demonstration on the basics of pyrography, or the art of decorating wood by burning patterns. Bruce has very generously donated three sets of pyrography equipment that will be offered in the raffle.

The annual carvers and turners show will be held March 1-2 at the Czech and Slovak Museum. As soon as info is available, I'll forward it to everyone. If you want to reserve a table to show or sell your works, or to have them judged, the details will be coming soon.

Dues for the 2025 year are due by the February meeting. Either bring your cash or check to a meeting, or download the membership form from the club website and mail it to Don Coleman at the address on the form. Dues are still \$25/year, \$30/family.

---Tom Mills



Don Potter-Norfolk Island Pine-S&T



Steve Bonny-Granadillo, Maple, Stabilized Fir, Lacquer

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Brad Davis-Acacia-Watco-S&T



Ron Luckeroth-Cherry-Friction Polish-POM

Name -Wood - Finish - Category
 Legend: AO=Antique Oil WOP=Wipe on Poly POM=Project of the month S&T=show and tell
 BLO= Boiled Linseed Oil SB= Salad Bowl finish FOG=Found on Ground



Tom St John-Walnut & Maple-S&T



Don Coleman-Cherry-Water based poly-POM

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Amanda Felts-Maple-Tung Oil-S&T



Tom Oehler-Maple & Walnut-Oil-POM



Don Potter-Walnut-S&T



Bruce Kruse-Maple-Poly-S&T

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Ron Luckeroth-Walnut & Boxelder-Friction Polish-POM



Paul Rohrbacher-Walnut-WOP-S&T



Harvey Jeck-POM

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Steve Bonny-Poplar-airbrushed spirit stain & lacquer-S&T



Bruce Kruse-Variou-Walnut Danish Oil-SN&T



Brad Davis-Cherry Burl-Watco-S&T

hollow the center to a depth of 2-3/8. If you don't have the needed drill bits, you could do it the hard way with a square end box scraper.



Support the drilled end of the blank with a cone center, then start to turn the lantern to your desired shape. I start with the center section with the four holes, then the base, finishing with the 'roof' section, leaving about 3/4 inch uncut. Sand at this point as much as you can reach.

Turn a jam chuck that fits the drilled holes in the bottom of the lantern. A close fit will really pay dividends.



Mount the bottom of the lantern onto the jam chuck you just made, and support the top end with a live center. Finish shaping the 'roof' and top knob. Just before you part off the top, you can texture the roof, if you want. Finish sand the project.



Drill a 1/8 hole through the top knob for hanger wire.

Now apply your choice of color (don't forget the inside) and/or clear coat.

Bend a 2-1/2 inch length of 12 gauge copper wire into a hanger shape. Install the hanger wire and you're almost done.

Glue the tea light into the bottom of the lantern, using gel CA, E6000, or hot melt.

*Tom Mills
November, 2024*



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For Sale

Have something for sale? Let the club members know about it here. Get the info to John Cox to be added to the next newsletter

Brandan Westmark is selling his Jet 18-3 bandsaw. It comes with an extra miter gauge, 4 blades and the Carter accurate circle jig. He's asking \$1750. Contact Brandan directly at (563)599-8086.



Dues Structure and Meeting Attendance Policy

Club dues are:

\$25.00 per year for an General membership.

\$30.00 per year for a Family membership

\$100.00 per year for a Supporting membership.

Dues are for the calendar year January 1 thru December 31 with a grace period ending at the close of the February meeting. New membership cards will be distributed at the March meeting.

Dues paid in September and later by NEW members will be considered in force for the rest of that calendar year plus the following calendar year.

Potential members may attend two meetings as a guest then we ask to either join the club or pay 1/4 of the current general membership fee to attend a regular meeting.

Library Information

Do you use the literature library? What items would you like to see added, what would make it easier to use?