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Sawdust Sentinel

By Dave Turner

August Newsletter

We were left with a dizzying array of possibilities at the end of our July Program featuring General Finishes*, and it wasn't because of the smell of finishes being demonstrated that left us dizzy. Rather, it was because we were shown a wonderful variety of finishing products used to bring out the beauty in a piece of wood. The possibilities were limitless.

Starting out, I liked the idea of, "green" creeping into the conversation and in print in their information sheets I'm speaking of water-based technology or "water chemistry".

When using the solvent-based stains and finishes, they will carry a warning to "use only in well ventilated areas". Satin Finishing Wax* would be one such product. Can you say, lipoidal pneumonia?

The kinds of finishes and stains we were shown included: (water-based)-Dye Stain* called Merlot, Vintage Cherry, and Light Brown; and then there were the (water-based)-Wood Stain* called Antique Cherry and Espresso. In the finishes, we were shown; High Performance* -satin finish, Wood Turner's Finish* -clear, and Satin Finishing Wax* -natural. Other products demonstrated included; Glaze Effects* -called, Pitch Black and VanDyke Brown.

As a work up to finishing your wood project, the less desirable step is the sanding. Sheryl and Ryan brought along their favorite sanding paper—actually foam,

called Ultra Flex grit*. They preferred it to other conventional paper-types because it did not encourage clogging and it also did not leave tiny grooves.

To showcase or create a custom look you can "mix" the Water Based Stains* with the Water Base Dye Stains*. Be sure not to "buff" (or sand) your stain between coats. The reason is because it will remove some of the stain and cannot be re-blended. However, if you need to buff, use 320-400 grit sandpaper. The Water Base Stains* will have pigments in them that do not penetrate as deep into the wood as the Water Base Dye Stains*. Whereas the Water Base Dye Stains* do NOT have the pigment in them and so they penetrate very deep into the wood and therefore, enhance the grain. That would be a highly figured grain such as; maple, cherry. Also, putting on the Water Base Dye Stain* helps to even out blotches and uneven staining properties of some types of wood, such as; poplar, pine, and cherry to name a few.

Continuing, with the Gel Stains*, they are a combination of pigments, oils, and urethane that will give you a "hand-rubbed" finish. Woods such as aspen, birch, maple, and pine are good choices of woods for these products. This product also evens out blotchy, uneven properties of these woods. Wipe it on with a cloth or foam brush.

General Finishes Arm-R-Seal* can be applied over your oil or water stains. The urethane in it penetrates and preserves the natural look as well as giving it a much harder finish.

For Sale

Grizzly "Heavy-Duty 10" Cabinet table saw, Model # 1023, 220 Volt \$525 Firm.
Jet brand, 4" dia. Dust collector, 1 HP 115 Volt \$100.

Call

Doug 319-235-1544 or
Bob Glawe 319-231-4838

For Sale

Shopsmith 520 with all
Accessories
Contact Terry Duckworth
At 319-233-3150

For Sale

DeWalt 682 type 1 plate joiner complete with case and manual. Very good condition \$85.00

Contact Bob Colby at 319-268-0883

For Sale

Dayton Blower: Grainger Model
#3c539A

G.E. 5h.p. motor /230v.

12 ¼" squirrel cage fan

Details contact:

Dave Dreyer at 319-240-8058

Email: daved@wilsonsr.com

The Oak Bulletin Board

The regular CVWA Meeting will be held at the Waterloo Center for the Arts 220 Commercial ST
6:30 PM August 14, 2012

The next Executive Board meeting will be August 22, 2012 at 7:00 PM @ Paul and Wanda Bailey's Home due to construction at the Turner Home 430 Prospect Blvd.

Scroll saw club meeting will be @ Art Mehman's

Shop 1205 Fairview Ave Painfield .August23, 2012

Corridor Wood turners meeting Thursday August16, 2012. Leisure Living Construction 2700 Stonegate CT
Cedar Rapids.

According to General Finishes for this product, they offer a 2-step application:

The two step system from General Finishes is ideal for heavy wear areas such as floors and table tops but is equally appropriate for cabinets and other furniture. It's as tough and durable and easier to apply than polyurethane. But it won't peel off (polyurethane can do that). Consequently, this type of finish is well suited should damage occur to the surface and repair is required. Since it has oils in it, Arm-R-Seal* also leaves a natural look on the wood surface.

The first step is to apply the wood stain. Or if you want a clear finish, apply one coat of Seal-a-cell*. It is a mixture of oil and varnish with the heavier part being oil. The more oil allows the finish to penetrate deep into the wood surface effectively sealing it. Second, once the wood is sealed, then apply the Arm-r-seal*. The Arm-r-seal is similar in formulation to the Seal-a-cell, except that it has more varnish in it. Sand between coats up to 220 grit sandpaper. It can be applied with cotton cloth or foam brush. Thin to moderate coats work best. Once the surface is coated, use the same application tool, rag or brush, and lightly wipe off the excess moving with the grain. One seal coat and 3 top coats are recommended.

Because of the limited time allowed for General Finishes* program of last month and space constraints of the Newsletter, it's best to stop here and refer you to their web site for more detailed and complete picture of what they have to offer. It is, www.generalfinishes.com

Highlights:

Our August program will feature, our own "wood turning guru", Kevin Bierman, talking about and demonstrating on what else -woodturning? You'll not be disappointed!

The AUGUST TOUR: In August, specifically, August 16th (Thursday, 2 days after our Club meeting), we will have another tour. And that will be to Huxley, IA to the KREG tool manufacturing plant. They will be talking about their operation, new products coming out, and if time permits- some demonstrations (I don't know if there will be anything for sale.). But I would still bring my check book. The tour will start at 10:00AM and go 'til 12-noon. It is recommended that we arrive at 9:45AM at the Plant. As in the past, we will leave from the Wtlo. Center for the Arts, for car-

pooling purposes, and promptly depart at 8:00AM. For outlying areas, or for those not wanting to "back-track" to the Art Center, you may want to make arrangements on your own. Oh, and mileage to KREG tool is 109miles and approximately 1hr-45min driving time. I will try and get maps out at the August Club Meeting. As far as lunch goes, we can have a consensus building session and decide that day what to do for lunch.

September Program: There will have no program (per se), except to say, we will have a PICNIC and TOUR of SHOPS featuring camaraderie and conversation. Please mark your calendars!! Further details about the picnic are in this Newsletter (Read on). Please contact either; Dennis Gilroy*, or a board member, or me. Signup sheets will be at the Club meeting, too.

October Program has been established. We will have Mr. Randy Herman, from Denver, IA. talk about what he does and how that relates to the Club. Specifically, as a business, he is the designated OMEGA* Outlet Store for the Omega products and materials available to us and the public.

More on a personal note, as the general contractor, I have been working through the process of moving my "phantom" garage to my "Garage-Mahal". It has been an exciting process for me and I hope to have it "completed?" by the end of Sept. With the footprint up and in place (read as: PEX for radiant heat, rough in plumbing, duct work in the floor and electrical conduits in the floor), I see the shop portion as being too small -and the walls are not up yet. Hopefully that will occur this week so I will have a better sense (of volume) of just what I have available. I hope to be able to contribute more to the Club in the way of projects, moving forward.

Mark your calendars for the "events" and be safe in your shop!

Dave

CVWA meeting minutes July 2012

President Turner called the meeting together promptly at 6:30. There were 71 seventy-one members present which included two new members. Dave presented them with his sanding block that he had made. There was one guest. Dave asked members to silence their cell phones out of respect for the speaker.

Dave thanked Roger Blum, Del Schaffer, Mark Jansen, Larry Spragle, and Don Collum for providing treats. Dave asked if someone from the group would consider becoming the treat chairman. After many years, Bob Anderson is stepping down.

Dave indicated that there were C D's available to the individuals that attended the "Wood tour" in Des Moines.

Dennis Gilroy spoke about the 11th Annual CVWA picnic that would take place on Sept. 9th, 2012. The picnic is in lieu of the regular Sept. meeting. He reminded the members that their spouses or significant others were invited too. He asked members to bring a hot or cold dish to share w/ serving spoon, their own table service, lawn chairs, and your beverage of choice. The picnic will be in the Droste shelter in the Waverly Fair grounds. The club will furnish sloppy joes and buns.

The shops being toured this year are 1st Dan Webb, 2nd Art Mehman, 3rd Glenn Johnson, and 4th Duane Huisman. Sign-up sheets will be available at the next meeting or email or call: Dennis Gilroy or Dave Turner.

The Oct. club program is open at this time.

Toy patterns for the folder for –or any other patterns you would like to contribute to the Club

-Some patterns are quite large –A fee may be charged to print off the pattern (full scale)

Show-n-Tell: included a table built by Dan Grimes, a cube & stand by Hank Morris, and pictures of a entertainment center by Bob Lee. Thanks for bringing your projects gentleman!

The tool raffle was won by Gary Gardiner choosing the I Gauge angle cube. The second place winner of a tape measure was Jim Wikle (who declined to take it), the second winner was Terry Duckworth.

After the break, President Turner announced that two of the shop tour participants had withdrawn their shops and that **two additional shops were needed** for the picnic.

Guest Speakers were Ryan Denney and Sheryl Monahan with General Finishes. It was a wonderful presentation, with great examples of their products and their uses.

Respectfully submitted**Pat Vollbrecht**

President Turner called the meeting to order @ 7:00 P.M. All members were present except Hank Morris. Currently there are 94 paid members in the club.

The treasurer's report was given with only one correction. The ending balance is \$2715.32 with \$801.49 of that sum is in the tool fund.

There were some samples that the presenters from General Finishes left with the club that will be raffled off at the next club meeting.

The August program will be Kevin Bierman turning. The October program will be Randy Herman, from Herman's kitchen design in Denver Iowa. He also is a distributor for Omega Cabinet surplus.

So far 16 individuals have signed up for the Sept. Picnic. Dennis Gilroy spoke to the fact that Tom Lown has agreed to open his shop for the picnic. (After the meeting, David Dreyer also said he would open his shop as well. So for right now we have enough shops for the tour. **Thanks to those who stepped up.**

The branding iron that the board authorized has arrived.

The tour to Kreg Tools (Huxley, IA) 1-tour only, DATE: August 16, 2012, TIME: 9:45AM to noon, DEPARTURE: [7:45AM/1hr-50min (108mi.)]

The newsletter deadline is July 27, 2012.

Jim Wikle spoke on the need for a Woodcraft outlet store and General Finishes as a "Sponsor". The idea is /was a great one but hard to implement.

The sanding blocks that President Turner has made for new members may be delayed because of his not currently having a shop to work in. Anyone interested in taking over the making of these, please call Dave or speak to any board member.

The storage cabinet, constructed by Dick Buchanan, Bob Hewlitt, and Dennis Gilroy is ready to set on the Club's workbench. **Thanks gentlemen!!!**

Respectfully submitted**Pat Vollbrecht**

Cedar Valley Woodworkers Treasurers Report July 16, 2012

11th Annual Shop Tours & Picnic Sunday September 9, 2012

Beginning Balance 2600.09

Income:

Dues	50.00	
Raffle	95.00	
Div	<u>.23</u>	
		145.23

Expenses:

2471 Dennis Gilroy		
-Shelter reserve	<u>30.00</u>	
		30.00

Ending Balance 2715.32

Office Fund 1913.83

Tool Fund 801.49

Upcoming approximate expenses:

Picnic	110.00
Lacquer	150.00
Christmas-	
All of tool fund plus	801.49
From General Fund.	500.00
Stamps for Christmas letters	
Liability Insurance	251.00

Respectfully Submitted

Paul Bailey Treasurer

Don't forget to mark Sunday September 9th on your calendar for this year's Shop Tours & Picnic.

Shops for this year's Tours include:

First tour: Tom Lown Waterloo 1:30

Second tour: Dave Dreyer Waterloo 2:15

Third tour: Dan Webb Cedar Falls 3:15

Fourth tour: Duane Huisman Waverly 4:15

The shop tours are set up for 45 to 60 minute intervals. (There is a lot of people moving from shop to shop.) This includes touring the shop and travel time.

Times are estimated. Not everyone tours and travels at the same pace

Picnic

Droste Shelter on the Waverly Fairgrounds 700 5th Ave SW. Bring a hot or cold dish to share (with serving spoon if needed), table service & drink and a lawn chair.

The club will provide Sloppy Joes, buns and condiments.

For those of you who can't make the tour, but would like to attend the picnic, it will begin around 5:00, or when the majority are done touring Duane's shop.

There will be a sign up sheet at the August meeting. Maps to the first tour will also be available at the Aug. meeting.

REMEMBER: SPOUSES ARE INVITED

Dennis - 277-3013

d.s.gilroy@cfu.net

Show and Tell



Top Left and center: A stand and a cube made by Hank Morris **Top Right:** Table built by Dan Grimes
Lower Left: Picture of an entertainment center built by Bob Lee
Lower Right: Presenters Ryan Denney and Sheryl Monahan from General Finishes.



List of Mentors for Club Members. I believe the mentor's time is free, but the person being mentored is expected to cover any material costs.

Canoe/Kayak construction, Chip Schmidt, 277-8504, cschmidt@cfu.net

Detailed Toys, Bob Anderson, 239-7763, wtoys@yahoo.com

Jack of all trades (enjoys a Challenge), Hank Morris, 277-0692, hankannam@aol.com

Has the Ability to figure MOST problems out—Dick Buchanan, 277-2477, rbuchanan@cfu.net

Intarsia, Pat Vollbrecht, 232-1923, patV35@mchsi.com

Fretwork, Garylee Thurm, 279-3219, flytying4u@hotmail.com

Cabinet making, Tom Bussey, 641-435-4354, tebussey@gmail.com

Wood carving, Sid Sidler, 233-1396, sidsstudio@aol.com

Furniture and cabinet building, Jerry Krug, 475-2391, jkrug@netins.net

Equipment Maintenance and repair Bob Colby 319-268-0883

Classes and Services for Pay by Fellow Club Members

Sharpening services by Glenn Johnson, 641-435-2511

Sharpening Stone Sales Gary Lee Thurm 319-231-4577

NEW PATTERN TEMPLATE LIBRARY

Your executive board has developed a new loaner program that might be of interest to each of you. Though the contribution of several different individuals the following full size templates are available for check-out by club members:

Nativity set:

Rocking horse:

Two different doll cradles

Should any of you have a pattern template set that your willing to share, call a board member!

Please remember to patronize our Sponsors!

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 for details
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 Cedar Falls
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Officers and Committee Members

Elected Committee Members

President	Dave Turner	<i>Committee Member</i>	Reid Craft
1st Vice President	Terry Duckworth	<i>Committee Member</i>	Hank Morris
2nd Vice President		<i>Committee Member</i>	Robert Hewlitt
Secretary	Pat Vollbrecht	<i>Committee Member</i>	Dennis Gilroy
Treasurer	Paul Bailey	<i>Club photographer</i>	Wanda Bailey /Bob Glawe
		<i>Refreshment Chairman</i>	Bob Anderson

Appointed Committee Members

<i>Committee Member</i>	Gene Knief	<i>Newsletter</i>	Jim Wikle
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