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BUCKEYE WOODWORKERS AND WOODTURNERS Oct. 13, 2012

The regular meeting of BWWT was held at the Keim Lumber Co. in Charm, Ohio at 9:00 am on Oct. 13, 2012. The meeting was called to order by Bob Scharl, President of the club. There were 37 members present which included three visitors. The president welcomed all those present and indicated that they would be in for a very nice education on the running of a lumber yard and hardware store.

The president thanked the Keim Lumber Co. for providing the space for our meeting and the ensuing field trip through their molding shop and their lumber warehouse. Several members were on the first floor lobby and demonstrating the use of their woodturning tools and what could be made on the lathe. Ray Marr was involved in establishing the public relations with the community near the woodturning exhibit. He was also handing out the brochures of our club and welcomed any who would want to attend our regular meeting. The president noted that the Keim Lumber management team certainly appreciated our being there and displaying the attributes of woodturning to the public. It was noted that Ray did have some store coupons available that could be used for club discounts if purchases were made. Other mem-

bers that were involved in providing the turning exhibition were Bill Seabolt, Hoby Horn, George Raeder, Bob Scharl, Karl Kerstetter, and Larry McCardel. They were taking wood blanks and turning them into platters, bowls, pens, and boxes so that the public could see the transformation of the piece from log segment to a finished product. At times the crowds were 3 to 5 people deep in front of the demonstration. Those involved in answering questions and public relations were Phil Brower, Ray Marr, Bill Stone and others. Several of the clubs turners did display their projects that had been completed at a previous time. There was some serious interest by the visiting public. Keim Lumber was responsible for providing the lumber for the turning blanks, three lathes to do the woodturning on, as well as a sharpening system for the tools. Several of our members did take advantage of the wood sales in exotic woods and even purchasing a Powermatic lathe from their tool division. It was noted that Keim would like us to come back and participate again at some future time.

The president mentioned that there will be an election of officers in November for the leadership role for 2013. The nominating committee, of five members, have selected Karl Kerstetter as the VP nominee. If elected, he will serve as VP for the 2013 calendar year and then become the president in 2014. The current VP, Bob Taylor, will move up to the presidency in 2013. The nominating committee is still addressing the open seat of Treasurer for the coming year. Charles Fisher has con-

sented to post our clubs' Show and Tell pictures of club projects on the internet website. Any nominations for these offices can be made at the open BWWT meeting in November, if the nominating individual has previously received consent from the candidate.

The President would like to thank the Mirka Corp. and their representative, Peter Kerns, for providing us with a great sanding demonstration at the Sept. meeting. It was very informative and helpful in our completion of our woodworking projects.

Bob Scharl, president, informed the members of the list of the future woodturning demos that are planned for our club.

In the month of November we will have Bob Taylor demonstrating the bandsaw boxes that will be made from a blank. He currently has 6 signed up for the afternoon session after his demo.

In December, Bob Scharl, will demonstrate the turning of elliptical boxes on the lathe. He needs people to sign up for the afternoon session if they are interested. He asked that you could select your wood from the Woodshed at Keim Lumber Co. if you are interested. He said that you would need a blank that would be 3" or 4" square and 6" long.

In the month of January, Marty Chapman will be demonstrating a foot massage roller, and a rolling pin. The rolling pin will be either a French rolling pin, or a American style rolling pin with handles. You will need a turning blank that is about 2 ½" square and 18 inches long. The wood of choice here should be maple.

In February, David Wells will be demonstrating the turning of Easter Eggs. Some that he turns are solid and some are hollow eggs.

All meetings of BWWT will be on the second

Saturday of each month with the meeting beginning at 9:00 AM.

On Friday, Nov. 16, Camp Y Noah will be sponsoring a "Thanks for Giving" dinner for all those people who helped contribute to their program during the past year. For our club, this will include all individuals that have helped with the summer camp woodturning demonstrations for the young campers. They were involved in turning ball point pens and small dried flower vases. The other group that are invited to this dinner will be those individuals that helped construct the High Ropes shelter at the camp. If you have contributed you services to either of these two projects, you are invited to the dinner. The dinner will be held on Nov. 16, with the dinner start time to be announced at the Nov. meeting. It should be noted that the family is invited.

A special recognition goes to the participants in the Ohio Foresters and Lumbermans Show in Cambridge Ohio. Those who participated were Bill Stone, Ray Marr, Bill Seabolt, Hoby Horn, Larry McCardel, and Bob Scharl. They were invited by Doll Lumber to participate in demonstrating how to turn items on the lathe. They were heavily involved in demonstrating while the show continued for several days. Many at the show were impressed with the work that was done. Individuals that were there were from Randolph to Wheeling, WV, to Marietta, to Athens, and Columbus, Ohio. There were a couple of individuals from Randolph and New Philadelphia that may join our club. The Forester Association really appreciated our participation in their show. A special thanks to Doll Lumber for their encouragement and support.

Bob Taylor was pleased to announce that all the pens were turned in for the Pens for Troops program. This is where the pen blanks and mechanisms are provided by Woodcraft and given to some of our members. Our responsibility was to completely turn the pens and put a finish on each one. Then they would be taken back to Woodcraft so that they can be mailed to our troops. There was a drawing for those who turned in their pens by the Oct. meeting. The drawing was held and Randy Lancaster was chosen first and Larry Jones was chosen second for the prizes. Neither one was at the Oct. meeting, but they will be given their prizes at the Nov. meeting. Thanks goes to all the people who participated in this worthy cause.

The auctioneer held up a very nice turning that was created by Benoit Averly, from France. This was a box that he turned during his demonstration with us last year. The highest bidder was Gordon Seto.

It was noted by the President that the Ohio Foresters Association will be in need of turned pieces for their annual show in March. The pieces are auctioned off and the proceeds go to a childrens hospital Columbus Ohio.

Respectfully submitted Jerry Schaible, Sec.

No picures were submitted this month

Keim Lumber Co. Charm, Ohio Oct. 13, 2012

The tour of Keim Lumber molding facilities and lumber facilities occurred on Oct. 13, 2012 after the business meeting at their office complex. The tour was conducted by Leroy Maste who was the lumber buyer for Keim enterprises. He purchased both exotic lumber and domestic species throughout the eastern half of the US. He said that he traveled to many sawmills for the domestic supplies and many importers of exotic lumber suppliers. He stated that most of the domestic woods are cut on site in the foreign countries and then shipped to the US by common courier.

The first part of the tour took us to the molding area. This is where the various moldings are made from the stock that they have on hand. Leroy stated that if one was remodeling a house and needed a specifically shaped molding design and it is no longer made, then this is where one could get the molding made up so that there is an exact match to what you need. He said that they keep numerous molding heads on hand and molding in stock to match the period of home construction in America. He said that they keep the moldings as historically correct as they possibly can. Now if one cannot find the molding in their stockpiles, then they will actually make a new molding head cutter specifically tailored to match the piece that you brought in. There will be a charge of \$40 for the making of the new cutter head, but then it is kept in their inventory in case you would ever need another piece. They currently keep 6 molding machines in stock that can cut any size order that you prefer from two feet in length to thousands of feet for the complete order. These trim molding machines are replaced as they age so that they

keep up with the latest efficient means to make moldings. They also have three planer sanders, but a 4th is on order for their shop. These are used to plane the door panels or frames and then sand them flat so that the planer marks are taken out of the surface.

They also make curved moldings for elegant architectural curved top doors or openings. They will get the correct shape and diameter of the opening from the customer and then make up a plywood form to match the exact shape. The wood of choice is then cut into the correct size to fit around the plywood form. This is done by cutting the wood species into approximately 3/8" thick strips of clear grade wood. Each strip is bent around the form, glued and clamped into position. In sequential addition of more glued strips of the same species of wood, the thickness of the molding board is achieved. When completed, then wood blank is then set into a special router system that can cut a perfect radius on the molding surface. Eventually when the straight boards are added to the process, then the open area of the door or entrance area is achieved.

Custom doors can be made for any opening, but Leroy stated that they prefer not to make the doors on site but allow the customer to search out some of the smaller cabinet shops in the area to have the doors made. Keim prefers to make the moldings, cross members, and wood panels for the small cabinet shop and let them have the business for construction of the doors. They do have a large planer in their factory to guickly plane any amount of lumber down to the correct size. The planer is powered by a 50 horsepower motor for quick and efficient service. Their most predominant customer is the small cabinet shops that are located in the area. Keim Lumber has the ability to complete orders of a very small amount or thousands of board feet for large orders.

The tour concluded with a journey through

the inventory stock warehouse. This was filled with stacks of every domestic species that they found a demand for. They also had a very large supply of exotic woods in their inventory. It was noted that they had about 3% to 5% of their exotic woods on display in the Wood Shop show room and about 95% of their supply in their overstock inventory on shelves in their store room. If customers were looking for a specific type of grain pattern or color match, they could visit the overstock area to make their selection. This selection ranged from burls, to curly material as well as large thick slabs of tree planks used for table tops in conference rooms. Some walnut planks ranged up to \$2500 or more. They said that their walnut sapwood is unsteamed. Steaming the sapwood has when drying has a tendency to darken the color to match the heartwood...but only close in the color match. They try to make sure that their larger blocks of walnut are at least 90% in dark color with only a little sapwood showing, if necessary. Leroy also mentioned that they get their supply of cherry from Pennsylvania due to the fact that the color match is virtually all the same and the grain is much straighter than the Ohio cherry trees. In the Ohio cherry, the color may range may have some yellow, orange or red coloring and generally the grain will have more twists, swirls, or be curly in nature and therefore of lesser value and fewer problems to the furniture makers.

BWWT would like to thank the Keim Lumber Company for allowing us to have our club meeting on site and then visit their lumber manufacturing facilities. It certainly gave us a new insight into the lumber and molding manufacturing business enterprise.

Respectfully submitted Jerry Schaible, Sec.

Calendar of Events

PLESASE NOTE BWWT MEETINGS ARE NOW HELD ON THE SECOND SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH BEGINNING AT 9:00 AM

November 10, 2012....Bandsawn Box by Bob Taylor

December 8, 2012....Eliptical ring box by Bob Scharl

January 12, 2013... Spindle Turning by Marty Chapman

February 9, 2013..... Turned eggs by David Wells

March 9, 2013.... Tool Sharpening by Doug Thompson

October 12, 2013.... Joe Hermann The choice is open as of this date.

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

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Tom Hogarth of the Northcoast club has three Shopsmith "power stations" for sale at very good prices. He also has a Shopsmith bandsaw with "Carter" guides, a sanding station with a twelve inch disk and a one inch by forty-two inch belt sander. Anyone that may interested should contact the editor for Tom's contact info.

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