

Redwood Empire Woodturners

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Newsletter

A Chapter of the
American Association of Woodturners

September 2011

Next Meeting

Thursday, September , 7:00 PM

Fine Arts Building

Redwood Empire Fairgrounds

1055 N State St, Ukiah (see map page 3)

Rather than a demonstration we will have four, 10 minute presentations showing a variety of Christmas ornaments. A group mentoring session, led by Larry Price, on 17 September will expand on the ornaments topic.

Expect discussion of American Craft Week, October 7-16, and how club members may demonstrate woodturning.

Also the possibility of a crafts sale in November.

Free Photography of your woodturnings. (See page 3 for details.)

Regular activities will include show & tell, and the raffle. There will be LOTS of wood in this raffle.

Refreshments for this meeting: **Dean Miller**

President's Message

Summer vacations are winding down, school is back in session and Fall is just around the corner. This is the time when many turners start thinking about getting back in the shop. If you're thinking about what to make, I have some ideas that might be helpful. Believe it or not, this is the time to start thinking about making Christmas presents.

If you've already given weed pots, bowls and pepper grinders to family and friends you might think about ornaments. Christmas ornaments can be simple or elaborate. Ornaments can be enjoyed every Christmas for years to come. The September meeting will feature several types of projects you may want to make. Then, in Oct members will demonstrate some of the techniques needed to make those projects. The group mentoring on Sep 17 will offer a chance to try many of the techniques needed to complete the ornament projects you will see at the meeting.

As part of the "American Crafts Week" activities, the club will be demonstrating turning and surface decoration on two Saturdays (Oct 8 and Oct 15). Everyone is invited to take part. You can demonstrate or you can just be there to help answer questions. It's always fun to share what we do with the public. I will have more details for you at the Sept meeting.

If you're looking for some different woods, I have been cleaning out my wood storage area and I think we'll have a small truck load of wood for the raffle. All it will take is a \$1 raffle ticket.

See you at the meeting.

Larry

Board

President - Larry Price 707-462-1155
Vice President - Pete Passof 707-462-8588
Treasurer - Tim Everton 707-994-1864
Newsletter - Dave Peck 707-485-7458
Librarian - Gary Wallaert 707-462-7370

Mentors

Call the person on this list and set up an appointment to learn about the specialty listed. You will decide where to meet, what's needed, etc. It free.

Volunteer	Phone	Specialty
Larry Price	462-1155	Tree to rough blank
George Waterstraat	279-1270	Sharpening, Intro to the lathe Hollow Forms
Dave Peck	485-7458	Spindle turning, Boxes, Inlay, Sharpening
Noble Waidelich	272-4419	Face Turning
Pete Passof	462-8588	Segmented Turning

Last Meeting

The August meeting had a good turnout with 20 present.

Larry Price showed some of his arsenal of carving tools and presented examples of his work. This included hand powered chisels, electric tools (but not his air powered tool that he has demonstrated before), holding devices, rotary tools and burrs. He gave some quick how-to demos (see photo at top of next column) and those present had an opportunity to give his tools a try. (See photo of Rob Hassett trying the rotary tool in the center of the next column.

Show and tell included the Best of Show winners for Amateur, Advanced and Professional Divisions. (See photo of Noble Waidelich checking out the S&T table at the bottom of next column and another photo on page 4)

Larry Price had the most points and won the "Redwood Empire Fair Champion" trophy. He was presented with the perpetual trophy which he will hold until next year when he will pass it off to the 2012 winner. Note: The previous year's winner is not



eligible. That's how we know that Larry will be passing the trophy to someone else.

The August raffle included some very interesting pieces of wood. The September raffle also promises to have some desirable turning materials. Larry Price stated that he is cleaning up and has a pickup load ready to bring.

Calendar

Date	Event/Activity
Sept. 8, 7 pm	Regular Meeting - Christmas Ornaments (see page 1 for details.)
Sept. 16-18	The "Marquetry on Woodturning" workshop with Dave Peck is full.
Sept. 17 10 am	Group mentoring at Larry Price's. Expand on Christmas Ornament theme.
Sept. 29: 4 pm	Board Meeting at 155 Deborah Court, Ukiah. All REW members welcome.
Oct. 8 & 15	American Crafts Week demonstrations. Contact Larry Price for details.
Oct. 13, 7 pm	Regular meeting
Oct. 22, 10 am	Group Mentoring session. Details to follow.

Free Close-up photos of your work:

We will have photographic lighting set up to get individual photos of the items in the Show and Tell. Feel free to bring in additional turnings that you want photographed. The resolution will be sufficient for making 8x10 prints.

The photos will be placed on the REW website and they will be sent to the owner via email (attached in jpeg format) or via compact disk for those without a computer or with a slow internet connection. Having prints made is up to you. Many places in town make prints from compact disks, Wal-mart, Triple S, etc.

If you have questions contact Dave Peck, 485-7458.

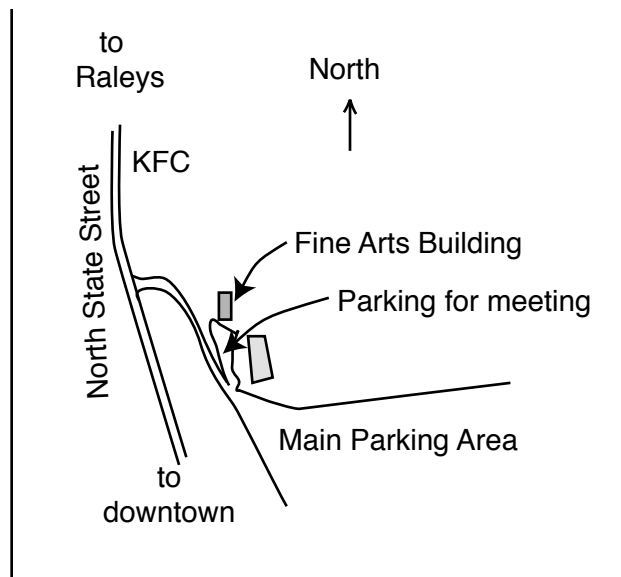
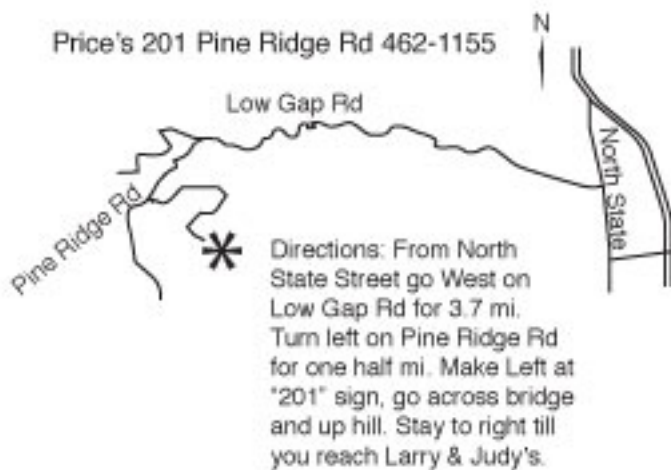
For Sale

Delta 40-601 Heavy Duty Electronic Variable speed Scroll Saw

From the 80s, I believe this was the last American made scroll saw. Like grandma's car, it has very low miles. On original heavy duty stand and includes a bunch of blades. Would like to get \$350 for it (original price was \$999) or might trade for a mini lathe like a jet 1014 etc. Call Michael @ 707-391-4604

Mentoring is available!!!

Remember, the people on the mentor list have made themselves available to help you learn woodturning but it's up to you to make the initial contact for one on one mentoring sessions. See list on page 2.



The August show and tell was well populated. The Best of Shows from the Redwood Empire Fair were; Dean Miller for Amateur, Rob Hassett for Advanced and Dave Peck for Professional. Other items in the show and tell included 3 weed pots by Noble Waidelich, a thin, tan oak bowl by Dave Peck, a segmented bowl by Pete Passof made from 5 different woods, Dean Miller had a floor stand and some bowls, Rob Hassett had a flower vase and a manzanita plate with end grain inlays in resin, Scott Gaustad showed a black walnut natural edge bowl, an olive bowl was shown by Larry price, Mack Brown showed 3 weed pots, two from redwood and one from red cedar, Bob Hassett had a clock and olive oil pourers and George Waterstraat showed a walnut bowl.



Will This Burl Fit on Your Lathe?

Notice the baseball cap for a size reference. Photo was taken by Dave Peck in Montgomery Woods State Reserve (Sorry, no chain saws allowed).

Montgomery Woods is a great place to visit. It's approximately 11 miles west of Ukiah on Orr Springs Road. When you get there follow the trail, uphill, for about a quarter mile and you will be in "another world." It's well worth the hike. Just a few years ago the tallest tree in the world was located there. Then someone found one a few inches taller up in Humboldt county, darn. But our's is still there. It's not marked so that people don't tramp down the ground over its roots. Makes it interesting to wander around and wonder which one is almost the tallest. There are several to choose between.

Check out the REW Website
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