



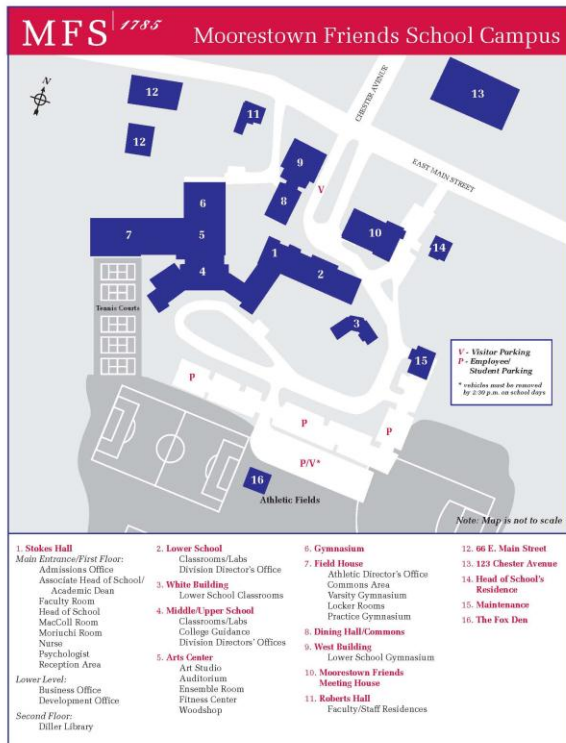
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November 10 Meeting

President Phil welcomed everyone, including about 25 members. Our next meeting is December 8, which will be our annual Christmas party. This year the Pollyanna features a turned object that fits into a 6" x 6" box, no bigger please! Don't forget, everyone who brings a piece in will get one in return, so get those creative juices flowing and bring in an interesting piece. There will be a door prize drawing for a gift certificate to Penn State Industries, but to be eligible you have to have paid your 2010 dues, so open those checkbooks up and get your dues paid quickly. There will also be a silent auction, including the drill press, grinder and assorted tools from our current meeting space, as well as donated wood. See you there, with your significant other, to enjoy good food, wine and company.

The other big news is that we are moving ahead with the new meeting location at the woodshop of Moorestown Friends School, thanks to the efforts of John Coles and Marty Richter. Arrangements are being made to move our equipment out of the church basement, and volunteers are needed to help with that. Contact Steve Leichner if you are available to help, probably when the school is closed for the Christmas holiday vacation. We expect the January 2010 meeting to be held at the new location, a map of which is shown below.



The election of club officers was also held during this month's meeting, with the current slate getting a unanimous vote of approval. I guess we must be doing something right !

President Phil will be hosting his next open house on November 17, at 7 pm, hope to see many of you there with interesting problems to solve.

Gordon Heckler was the lucky 50/50 winner this month, collecting \$43. Way to go Gordon! Gift certificates were won by Seth Chamberlain and Jim Hobson, and Jeff Schnell got the Grumbine demo piece.

Club member **Brad Whitman** has recently provided formal written comment to the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture on the inadequacies of proposed regulations addressing the importation of exotic and endangered wood species. His submission can be found on his web site, www.bradturnsgreen.com. Thanks Brad, keep up the good work.

Upcoming Events

Nov 13 thru Dec 12, 2009 – Members show at Perkins Art Center in Collingswood. Free opening party on 11/13 from 6 – 9 pm.

Nov. 14 – visit to Wharton Escherick museum

Nov. 14 thru Dec. 19 - New Hope art show

November 17 - open house at Phil Hauser's

Dec. 8 - next regular meeting, Christmas Party

Featured Program –



The featured program was a very informative workshop presented by Bill Grumbine. Bill is a respected turning artist, as well as a repeat demonstrator for us. His subject this month was a “winged bowl”, which he says is a good use of smaller pieces of wood you might have in your collection. The final effect he hopes to achieve is the illusion of a bowl pushed up through a board.

Starting with a discussion of safety protocols, Bill said his helmet is an Airstream 400 model, which costs about \$825, but is well worth it (except when you can’t get it to run !) He also emphasized keeping your body parts outside the tool rest to avoid unwanted and potentially disastrous contact, and starting with very light cuts due to the irregular surface presented.



Plenty of good tips were presented during the demo, including three important design considerations for this type of object: thickness of the finished rim; height of bowl above rim; and how much material to remove to true the finished piece up. Bill advocates “sneaking up” on the final outside diameter of the finished bowl so it closely matches the lower diameter, and stated his design preference for wings in the upper portion of the bowl, and the bowl top thickness about equal to the wing thickness.

Bill also has several tools and videos available for sale, and a web site at www.wonderfulwood.com.

Thanks to Bill for an enjoyable and extremely information demonstration. Additional photos from his demo are available at our new Yahoo site,

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DelValWoodturners>.