



Monthly Newsletter

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February 12, 2013 Regular Monthly Meeting

The DelVal Turners hosted this year's first Micro Symposium during February's regular meeting at the Moorestown Friends shop. There were 49 members in attendance at the opening of the meeting, but at least 5 or 6 additional folks came in as the meeting progressed. During the New Business portion of the meeting, members were reminded of the evening's agenda: five sessions being delivered simultaneously:

- Don Hart demonstrating sharpening
- Joe Quigley demonstrating chip carving
- Marty Richter showing multi-axis spindle turning
- Steve Leichner demonstrating kitchen utensil handle fabrication
- Phil Hauser demonstrating wood burning technique

☞ In other new business, members were asked to contact President Hauser or Marty Richter if they had a skill or craft that could be demonstrated in a one-on-one setting and could be included as a package in the upcoming Moorestown Friends School Fund Raising Auction.

☞ Jeff Kieserman gave a short talk on the content available through the DelValTurners.com website and spoke about access to the Members Section. There is lots of content there and members are always encouraged to utilize its contents and please contact Jeff Kieserman if you have more to contribute.

☞ The HOW or **H**ands **O**n **W**orkshops are currently being planned and members willing to give lessons are encouraged to contact Seth Chamberlain to give a description of the program they wish to offer, in addition to dates and times. These HOW sessions are a major fundraiser for the club and help all members expand their skills and experiences. A list of sessions will be announced in the coming weeks, with most of these opportunities being offered in April and May.

☞ A woodburner construction session is planned for this Spring based on equipment demonstrated at Graeme Priddle's past workshop at the DelVal Turners. Members interested in building the units are asked to contact Phil Hauser and Marty Richter. *Phil will be securing the NAPA battery chargers to power the units and Marty will construct the hand pieces. The units will run \$90, payable in advance. A second option will be to use a less expensive battery charger available through Harbor Freight (\$65)—contact Phil and Marty if this is a route you prefer. Construction of these units is set for Saturday, March 9, 2012 at Phil's Hainesport, NJ workshop. Please contact Phil and Marty by the 7th, however, so that materials will be available for you on the 9th.*

☞ Mark Allan is coordinating a bulk purchase of AnchorSeal II for DelVal members, a waterbased treatment used to seal green wood and greatly reduce checking during seasoning of turning stock. Members are able to purchase the liquid in 5-gallon units. From Mark:

Six club members have committed to purchasing a five gallon quantity of Anchorseal. That leaves five openings for those with similar intent. When I have ten paid buyers, I'll order the drum for delivery to my shop and will arrange a "pumping party" for the partners in this purchase. Delivery from Buffalo by common freight should take 3 to 5 days.

You can purchase five gallons for \$55, not including a container. If you want less than five gallons, please partner with another member or maybe someone from Bucks or First State. The next 5 paid buyers finish the deal and move us to the delivery phase. A check for \$55 can be sent to me at 25 Lancaster Drive, Marlton, NJ 08053.

A "Homer" bucket works just fine, but a 5 gallon Carboy with spigot is the ideal vessel, I think. The Anchorseal is a winterized formula and will flow well through the Carboy spigot, even after sitting on a shelf for a year (from my own experience). A Carboy is a plastic container, often used for water (and for brewing beer)...available at REI, some Army/Navy stores and camping outfitters for about \$17, or as little as \$12 online...try Amazon, ULINE, US Plastic, or Lab Depot. One good brand is Reliant Aquatainer, but there are others, too. As all containers are not equal, I'll use an indexed 5 gallon bucket to make sure you get what you've paid for and that we have enough to go around to all the buyers.

Any questions? 856-296-0953.

2013 Micro Symposium

Pictures from this evening's FiveRing Event

Don Hart demonstrating sharpening



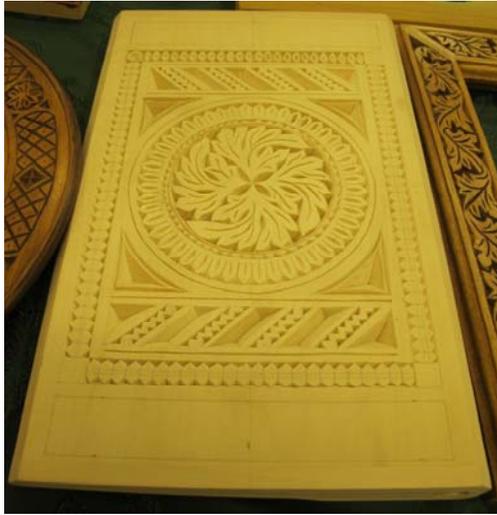
Don's demonstration included the use of some commercial tool positioning jigs and devices as well as the Raptor angle finders for doing jig set-up and measurement. Members were invited to bring in a tool to be sharpened and Don went through the steps for setting up each sharpening situation.



Joe Quigley demonstrating chip carving



Joe Quigley worked his magic with his carving knife and his watchful eye as he demonstrated and assisted others in trying their hand at chip carving.



Marty Richter showing multi-axis spindle turning

Marty turned a number of pieces using multiple centers as each piece progressed. Lots of planning and good tool control create some amazing results in Marty's work.



Steve Leichner demonstrating kitchen utensil handle fabrication



Steve led this demonstration with the design and production of a handle for a bottle opener.

Phil Hauser demonstrating wood burning technique



Phil Hauser set-up camp with his revamped battery charger and his custom-built handpiece and let users test their skills at creating burned images on some test pieces of lumber. Phil had a variety of NiChrome tips that he had fabricated to experiment with, and gave pointers for winding your own.

50/50 Drawing

The February meeting closed with the 50/50 drawing, possibly with the largest collection in club history. It was member Carol Leader that went home with \$75. Other winners in this month's drawings were Mike Zickler and Jim Parise with \$20 in Craft Supply's gift certificates.



Treasurer's Report - none this month



Library Report – None: The Club Librarian is Robert Jay. All are welcome to share from the club's collection.

As always,

Thanks to Jeff for the photos, and for more check out his photography site,
<http://jschnell1203.posterous.com/>

Remember, **SAFETY FIRST**. We will strive to emphasize this message at each meeting, and if you have a particular safety topic of concern please feel free to bring it up for discussion.