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WE HAVE A QUORUM !



It happened a little late, but none the less it did happen. With the much celebrated arrival of an over-whelmed Kevin Ellis (sorry Kevin, I promise my picture taking will improve) we finally reached a quorum for our elections. One name was submitted for each available position. All were unanimously accepted by the membership.

Your new executive is as follows:

President (2 yr)	Jim Campbell
1st V.P. (2 yr)	Frank Ditomaso
2nd V.P. (1 yr)	William Duce
Secretary (1 yr)	Al McBurney
Treasurer (2 yr)	Doug Kurtz
Membership (1 yr)	Cliff Rose
Member at large (2 yr)	Robin LeSage
Editor (1 yr)	Joanne Hallman

In House Meetings

7:00 p.m.

- Hands-on night**
Thursday, February 10
- Regular meeting**
Thursday, February 17

2000 ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the GHWG was held on January 20, 2000. Aside from the elections, the agenda for the meeting covered the following:

- message from outgoing President Brian Graham
- minutes from the 1999 annual meeting by Secretary Al McBurney

-treasurer's report from Treasurer Doug Kurtz

-presentation of certificates of appreciation to Brian Graham and Andy Ditomaso for their contributions to the Guild

-message from our new President Jim Campbell

continued...

ANNUAL MEETING CONTINUED...

Brian Graham spoke fondly of his past two year term as President of our Guild. He described the change of venue to General Brock High school and the purchases of the new Jet mini and General lathes as highlights of his last year. These changes will allow our membership room to grow and the ability to continue to attract high caliber turners and presenters. Brian thanked all members who have volunteered their time and energy in support of the Guild, and welcomed the new executive.



THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD

Jim Campbell made his debut as President of the GHWG by thanking the outgoing members and presenting certificates of appreciation to Brian Graham and Andy Ditomaso. Jim thanked the nominating committee for his consideration and remarked it was not all that long ago that he joined the Guild. He too expressed gratitude for those same individuals who consistently give of their time and put a challenge to the remaining membership to follow suit. You are the Guild!

The minutes of the 1999 meeting were reviewed by Secretary Al McBurney and accepted by the membership. There were no amendments to the constitution, however Al expects to make application to the membership on a couple of items in the spring. Check future issues of the Chip Flyer for notification. Membership rose (no pun intended Cliff) from 105 on the role for 2000. We do have a number of members who have not yet sent their renewals for the new year. Cliff is anxious to hear from each of you, so please take the time to register. We need each strong and viable. The treasurer's report of members at the end of 1999 to 119 members was presented by our Treasurer Doug Kurtz. Doug runs a tight ship and was pleased to report we are in the black once again, due in large part to the Jet mini-peated in 2000 we will be looking to other resources in order to fund the many items on where we can all help out is our monthly wood raffles. Please support the raffle! The money it generates helps us to cover our expenses (hall rental etc...). We took in only \$125.00 last month, which is down from \$175.00 for the same month last year. All ideas for fund raising are good ideas. Please share them with the membership.

Anyone wishing a copy of the 1999 Treasurer's Report can pick one up from Doug Kurtz in February

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HANDS-ON NIGHT

Instructors for the month of February are:

Reno Lozier
Norm Kemp
Jim Fretz

Norm and Reno will both be doing small spindle turning projects and Jim is as yet undecided, but whatever he demonstrates it will be most interesting. Come out and join in a group. Depending on the numbers we will run one or two sessions.

Just a reminder: We have some tools available, but we encourage everyone to bring their own face shield. Protect yourself!

Volunteers are needed to teach the April, May and June sessions. Cliff Rose has offered to teach the proper use of a skew for the April and June sessions. Our Guild houses a great number of very capable turners and we need your help. Volunteer and pass on your special skill or interest in turning. Novice and expert alike will benefit. If there is an area you would like to see covered during hands-on night, or if you feel confident in teaching a specific skill or technique, please let Jim Wright know.

Our instructors volunteer their time. Show them your appreciation by thanking them and helping with the clean up at the end of the evening.

COMING EVENTS

CHATHAM WOOD SHOW

Feb. 5, 6, 7
Kinsmen Auditorium - Chatham, Ontario
Phone: 519-351-8344
email: john@bcwoodshows.com
website: <http://www.woodshows.on.ca>

LONDON WOOD SHOW

Feb. 11, 12, 13
London Fairgrounds
Progress Buildings
Phone: 519-455-5888

THE WINDSOR WOOD SHOW & CARVING COMPETITION

Feb. 25, 26, 27
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DEMONSTRATIONS AT THE GHWG

FEBRUARY 17

Frank Ciccarelli
Offset turned platters

MARCH 23
(please note date change)

Michael Hofstetter
Turning legs for furniture



Lee Valley Sharpening Seminar

My brother and I attended the Lee Valley Sharpening Seminar on January 29th at the Toronto West Store located at 5511 Steeles Avenue West. The all day seminar cost \$30.00 (proceeds of which went to the United Way) and included coffee breaks and lunch. The seminar was hosted by Wayne Cardinal and Ron Loughheed of Lee Valley, both experts in various aspects of sharpening.

The seminar covered all types of tools that routinely need sharpening including knives, scissors, paring chisels, scrapers, carving tools, gardening tools and of course woodturning tools. We were shown various ways to sharpen all types of tools on both the belt sander and the grinder, with and without jigs. Also included were the uses and flattening of oil and Japanese water stones.

The seminar concluded with a hands-on session where participants could sharpen their own favorite tools with the guidance of the two experts. In all a terrific seminar, well worth the price of admission and the distance traveled. I'll leave you with one word of caution. Leave your credit cards, debit cards and cash at home. Lee Valley is a very dangerous place to "spend" eight hours.

Frank Ditomaso

Guest Demonstrator for February

The guest demonstrator for February will be Frank Ciccarelli of the GHWG. Frank has been turning since about 1996, and is one of the Guild's earliest members. He has progressed from turning feet for Jewelry boxes to large artistic pieces.

As well as selling his work through outlets in St. Catharines and Jordon, Frank has begun entering woodturning competitions in the last few years, winning many awards at the 1999 Woodstock Wood Show and the GHWG "Have it your way" competition in October for the Purist Advanced category.

Frank has continued experimenting with different forms, his latest being an offset turned platter, which he will be demonstrating at the February 17 meeting.

Frank Ditomaso

HAMILTON WOOD SHOW

The GHWG members were once again the stars of the Hamilton Wood Show held at the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum from Jan. 28th to Jan. 30th. Although this was not a large show, we had great crowds and our turning demonstrations attracted a lot of interest. There were many people who showed interest in the Guild and it's programmes. We handed out over 300 brochures to interested parties, many of whom plan to be our guests at future meetings. There were many GHWG members who contributed their time to demonstrate at our booth. The list is long. If I have missed anyone I apologize:

DEMONSTRATORS:

KEN AGG, BRIAN CROSTHWAIT, WALLY MUGFORD, RENO LOZIER, JOSH PICHANICK, CLIFF ROSE, JIM FRETZ, AL McBURNEY, MALCOM

CUMMING, DAVE PAGE, JOANNE HALLMAN, JIM CAMPBELL, BILL DUCE, DOUG KURTZ, FRANK DITOMASO, DIANE DITOMASO, DON VERI AND LLOYD MANDERS

OUR GREETERS

AL McBURNEY, WALLY MUGFORD, DAVID LEWIS, DOUG KURTZ AND JIM CAMPBELL

OUR SET UP AND TAKE DOWN CREW

ANDY DITOMASO, FRANK DITOMASO, KEN AGG, RENO LOZIER, JOSH PICHANICK, JOHN DE IULIO, JIM CAMPBELL AND GLENN MOTT

Thanks to Cliff Rose for his good humour and patience in fielding endless questions. Thanks to Andy and Frank Ditomaso for organizing the whole thing. A special thank you goes out to Brian Crosthwait whose efforts put us all to

shame, and to Wally Mugford who is continually urging people to become turners. Participating in wood shows is an important part of our mandate to promote the art of woodturning. As well as drawing potential new members to the Guild, we are able to educate the public about our craft. Once again, thanks to all who contributed in making this event a success.

JIM CAMPBELL



JIGS AND FIXTURES



Doug Newlove gave an exhaustive presentation on a variety of jigs and fixtures he uses in his woodshop. I kept

wishing I could get plans for each and everyone of them. Doug organized his presentation from simple items for the novice to the more complex for advanced turners. Among the many items were a morise taper for headstock, a simple depth gage, a thread adapter for working on more than one lathe, a ball making jig, a home-made steady rest using in-line skate wheels, router jigs for the lathe for creating shaped edges, flutes, reeds and spirals, wooden jam chucks, a plywood expanding and adjustable spiral jig using #6 rubber stoppers from a medical supply store for use in removing bowl feet, and a hollow turning support to give better support in deep vessels as well as a number of tips and time-saving devices. The best part of Doug's presentation for me was the number of mis-

takes he admitted to. Necessity really is the mother of invention. A mistake you learn from is a good one to make, and if you can keep others from making the same mistake, well isn't that what our Guild is all about?

The most popular item demonstrated was Doug's home-made wooden vacuum chuck. Not only did he tell us how he made it, but also what kinds of vacuum-generating devices there are and where he got his two models. After that he demonstrated the chuck and it worked! I really got a good understanding of vacuum chucks from Doug. It is obvious he has a love of teaching! I hope we will hear more from Doug in the future.

Frank Ditomaso will be bringing photocopies of a few of Doug's jigs and fixture plans for the membership.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

On behalf of all the members I would like to thank **Brian Graham** and **Andy Ditomaso** for their tireless efforts in support of the Guild. It is this type of dedication, which has helped to make our Guild the success it is. Thanks again.

We should not overlook the contributions of the members of the executive who are continuing in their positions: **Al McBurney-Secretary**: for keeping the executive meeting minutes and overseeing the Guild's constitution, bylaws and annual elections.

Doug Kurtz-Treasurer: for keeping us on the right path financially

Frank Ditomaso-1st Vice President: for arranging all those excellent demonstrators and competitions

Cliff Rose-Membership Secretary: for keeping track of new and renewal memberships with his ever-friendly smile and tireless support to all members.

William Duce-2nd Vice President: our illustrious author for taking the time to edit the newsletter and also for demonstrating.

Welcome to our newest executives: **Joanne Hallman**-new editor of the Chip Flyer.

Robin LeSage-new Member at Large.

Thanks also to our volunteers: **Jim Wright** for coordinating the

hands-on night with all his able volunteer turners. Thanks also to **Gary Cornell** for looking after the library in his very efficient manner.

I would also like to thank **Doug Newlove** for an excellent presentation. It is amazing how many jigs and fixtures you can use to make things easier, and you don't have to spend an arm and a leg to get them. Thanks again Doug.

PRESIDENT'S RAMBLINGS

And now a few words on things in general. To make our Guild work we need help from all our members, not just by attending the meetings, but by volunteering: setting the room up, cleaning up, selling raffle tickets and moving the lathes to and from storage. Don't leave it to the same old gang. Get involved! You will feel better for it. I will be looking for volunteers at the next meeting so don't run away when I approach you.

SHOW AND TELL

We need to improve the participation and reporting of our Show and Tell table. Please bring in your turnings and let the other members see what you can do; I guarantee no one will put you down, and you can only gain from the experience. Lets see a lot more on the table next meeting and for meetings to come.

RAFFLE TABLE

Please support the raffle table. The selling of tickets for the raffle table donations help defray the costs we incur over and above our fixed expenses (rent, lathe, lease etc.). It helps us to get those expert demonstrators and wish list items we want.

HANDS-ON NIGHT

This now brings me to hands-on night. These were created to give novice and beginning turners the opportunity to learn skills from our more experienced turners. When you come to a session don't just stand-by and watch, please participate. The only way to learn is by doing. When you make a mistake, an experienced turner may suggest another way to hold the tool or approach the work piece. If you sign up for a particular session, show up on time and stay with that session. There is nothing more disconcerting to a trainer than to have no one to train. They put a great deal of effort into preparing these sessions. If you have any skills you would like to develop or would like to pass on to others, please let us know and we will try to arrange it.

OPEN VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

We need a volunteer to videotape our regular meetings (you get to see the demonstrators up close).

CHECK YOUR SHOP FOR BOOKS!



Although our Librarian Gary Cornell hasn't said so, some of you have not been returning your books as regularly as you should. The normal term is one month, from one meeting to the next. This allows

everyone in the club the opportunity to make use of this valuable resource. We are one of the few clubs where loan or late fees are not charged, and we would like to keep it that way. So go through your shop and dust off those books, magazines and videos and return them at our next meeting.

The library has grown recently with the addition of two new titles donated by fellow members. Bill Duce has graciously donated his own book "The Fine Art of Small-Scale Woodturning", and Frank Ditomaso has donated "Turning for Furniture" by E. Conquer (a companion to the video). **The Guild thanks you for your gifts.**

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Anyone wishing to have an article published in the newsletter should submit it no later than the 25th of each month. I am also looking for website, book and magazine reviews. Your submissions are most welcome!

Joanne

OPEN CALL TO MEMBERS

We are currently looking for volunteers to help in the following areas:

refreshment coordinator
raffle sales/finished item draw
reporters
videographer

If you would like to help out, please speak with the President.

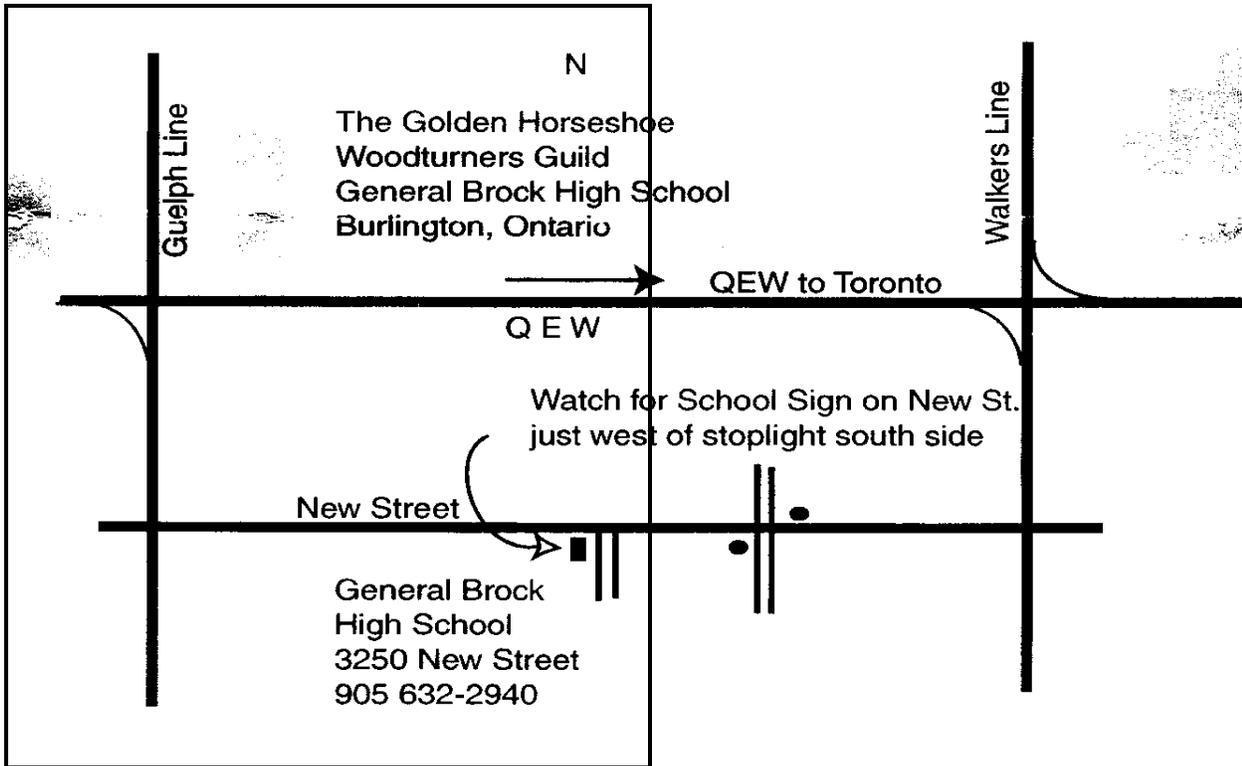
Anyone interested in working on a committee to improve our Show and Tell table should contact Bill Duce. We want to see those professional pieces coming out to the meetings again. Help us develop a way of displaying those pieces safely to the satisfaction of the individual turner and for the benefit of the Guild members.

THE LAST WORD

As your new editor, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the nominating committee for considering me. As I told them, I know nothing at all about publishing or editing. I do have a computer, and like most people, if I don't have a reason to use it I won't. So the next number of issues of "The Chip Flyer" get to be my great foray into desktop publishing. I'm not sure what that says about the nominating committee, you be the judge! I also want to thank every one who has helped me with this first issue. Many have provided files and articles which are very much appreciated. A special thank you goes out to Frank Ditomaso for patiently *walking* me through a number of computer files. My father and I joined this club to learn about a new piece of equipment he added to the workshop. We were both pleasantly surprised by the genuine desire on the part of members to teach us what they knew. I think this picture sums it all up for me. This is a club where you can relax, be yourself, be comfortable and enjoy learning!

Joanne





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