

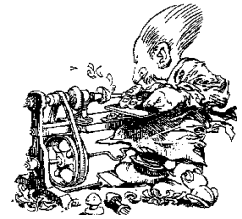


# Chatter and Catches

the Newsletter of the



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## President's Gouge

I would like to begin by thanking Steve MacLean for demonstrating the turning of a lidded box with finial at our last meeting, and Wayne Porter for hosting the meeting. Steve is a very accomplished turner and it is always a pleasure to watch him. Many times when I visited the old Woodcraft store in Reno, Steve was demonstrating and I spent a good amount of time watching him (which also resulted in the purchase of several tools). We had a large group with 27 people in attendance, and we picked up two new members at the meeting. It is good to see the attendance increasing. We also held an extra



hands-on session after the regular meeting and had several members stay and participate. Our regular monthly hands-on session was held the day before the meeting and again we had a good turnout. I heard from several members that it would be better not to have the hands-on session the day before the regular meeting, and the board agrees. We will be sure to schedule it on a different day.

The day of our last meeting I received a call from a friend of mine who said he had just cut down a locust tree and had wood if we wanted it. On Sunday, Wayne Porter, Dave Mills, and I picked up the wood and took it back to Dave's shop where we cut it up and sealed it. This wood is available for club members to purchase. If you are interested, please contact Dave Mills and you can stop by and pick some up. We still have aspen and black walnut for sale.

On January 27<sup>th</sup>, Wayne Porter, Dave Mills, Frank Miller, and I went to Silver Stage High School and worked with the wood shop students. Last year when we were there, we mainly worked with the advanced wood shop students. This year there was an interest expressed by each shop class to participate. We had four lathes set up and worked with students from each of the classes. We had the students rough-turn bowl blanks, and we will return before the end of the school year to finish-turn the blanks. It was very apparent that the level of interest in wood turning has greatly increased from last year.



As we discussed at our February meeting the club will be participating in the Minden Craft Fair on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. At the meeting, I called on each CVW member to turn at least five items to be sold at the fair, and many of you signed up. If you did not sign up, please consider turning several small items that we can sell. This is going to be our main fund raiser for this year. We are still looking to purchase two additional lathes. Also, we should know sometime in March if we have been selected for the EOG grant from AAW. If we do not get the grant, we will be using the money from the craft fair to purchase the additional lathes.

June is going to be a busy month. We have the craft fair on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>; the AAW conference in San Jose, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup>; and Rudy Lopez is coming on June 16<sup>th</sup> for a demonstration. Mark your calendars and I look forward to seeing you at the events. - John Compston, President

## **This Month's Program and Hands-On Session**

Our meeting for this month will be held at the Silver State Building Materials facility located at 1434 Industrial Way in Gardnerville. To get there, travel south of Gardnerville on Highway 395. Go one block south of the Meeks building and turn left on Industrial Way. The Silver State facility can be seen at the end of this block with a large yellow sign which is visible from Highway 395. We will enter through the large gate on the right side of the parking lot. The front entry will be locked because the entire facility is open to only the CVW club. Hours will be 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. with the meeting starting at 9:00 a.m. The owner, Ryan McTee, is offering his facility for our meeting to introduce the building supply yard to us because many locals are not aware of it. After a short trip around the yard with our own Rich Sheldrew giving the guided tour, we will have our show-and-tell followed by a hands-on day with many lathes operating. We will use this day to demonstrate many easily made projects that can be displayed and sold at our upcoming Craft Fair booth in June. If some of you want to arrive early, you can help set up the lathes from the trailer. This will give you an opportunity to see the work that several of our members have accomplished to organize the trailer for proper storage. Bring your tools and maybe a sweater just in case. We will be in an outside room with a propane heater. For the beginners, come and plan to participate. There will be many "mentors" there to assist, and this will be a good way to make an easily made item for our show in June. The club will supply the wood. – Mel Swingrover

## **BatteriesPlus Recalls Replacement Battery Packs Due to Explosion Hazard**

On December 21, 2011, The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the firm named below, announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed. It is illegal to resell or attempt to resell a recalled consumer product.

**Name of Product:** Rayovac NI-CD Cordless Tool Battery Packs

**Units:** About 111,800

**Importer:** BatteriesPlus LLC, of Hartland, Wis.

**Hazard:** The replacement battery pack can explode unexpectedly, posing a risk of serious injury.

**Incidents/Injuries:** BatteriesPlus has received five reports of exploding batteries. No injuries have been reported.

**Description:** This recall involves RAYOVAC-branded replacement battery packs used with cordless power tools. "RAYOVAC," "NI-CD" and a part number beginning with "CTL" are printed in white lettering on the product. The battery packs were sold in voltages ranging between 2.4 and 18 volts in various sizes and shapes. They were sold as replacement batteries to the following brand tools: Black and Decker, Bosch, DeWalt, Makita, Milwaukee, Panasonic, Ryobi, and Skil. Additional detail with annotated photographs can be found on the [CPSC web site](#).

**Sold exclusively at:** BatteriesPlus retail stores nationwide and online at [www.batteriesplus.com](http://www.batteriesplus.com) between June 2008 and October 2011 for about \$60.

**Manufactured in:** China

**Remedy:** Consumers should immediately stop using and remove the battery packs from cordless tools. Consumers can contact BatteriesPlus for instructions on how to return the product for a store credit.

**Customer contact:** For more information, contact BatteriesPlus toll-free at (877) 856-3232 between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. CT Monday through Friday, or visit the firm’s website at [www.batteriesplus.com](http://www.batteriesplus.com).

## Wood Dust Toxicity

WOOD SPECIES	REACTION	PART OF BODY	POTENCY	SOURCE	OCCURRENCE
Bald Cypress	sensitivity	respiratory	+	dust	rare
Balsam Fir	sensitivity	eyes, respiratory	+	leaves, bark	common
Beech	sensitivity, nasopharyngeal cancer	eyes, skin, nose, throat	++ ?	dust, leaves, bark dust	common unknown
Birch	sensitivity	respiratory	++	dust, wood	common
Black Locust	irritation	eyes, skin	+++	leaves, bark	common
Blackwood	sensitivity	eyes, skin	++	dust, wood	common
Boxwood	sensitivity	eyes, skin	++	dust, wood	common
Cashew	sensitivity	eyes, skin	+	dust, wood	rare
Cocobolo	sensitivity, irritation	eyes, skin, respiratory	+++	dust, wood	common
Dahoma	irritation	eyes, skin	++	dust, wood	common
Ebony	sensitivity, irritation	eyes, skin	++	dust, wood	common
Elm, Red	irritation	eyes, skin	+	dust	rare
Goncalo Aves	sensitivity	eyes, skin	++	dust, wood	rare
Greenheart	sensitivity	eyes, skin	++	dust, wood	common
Blackwood (Surinam)	sensitivity	eyes, skin	+++	dust, wood	common
Hemlock	nasopharyngeal cancer	respiratory	?	dust	unknown
Iroko	sensitivity, irritation, pneumoitis alveolitis	eyes, skin, respiratory	+++	dust, wood	common
Mahogany, Honduras	sensitivity, pneumoitis, alveolitis	skin, respiratory	+	dust	unknown
Mansonia	sensitivity, irritation, nausea, malaise	eyes, skin, systemic	+++ +	dust, wood dust	common unknown
Maple (Spalted)	sensitivity, pneumoitis, alveolitis	respiratory	+++	dust (contains mold)	common
Mimosa	nausea, malaise	systemic	?	leaves, bark	unknown
Myrtle	sensitivity	respiratory	++	dust, leaves, bark	common
Oak	sensitivity, nasopharyngeal, cancer	eyes, skin, nose, throat	++	dust, leaves, bark	rare
Obeche	sensitivity, irritation	eyes, skin, respiratory	?	dust, wood	common
Oleander	direct toxicity, nausea, malaise, cancer	systemic	++++	dust, wood, leaves, bark	common
Olivewood	sensitivity, irritation	eyes, skin, respiratory	+++	dust, wood	common
Opepe	sensitivity	respiratory	+	dust	rare
Padauk	sensitivity, nausea, malaise	eyes, skin, systemic	+	dust, wood	rare
Pau Ferro	sensitivity	eyes, skin	+	dust, wood	rare
Peroba Rosa	irritation, nausea, malaise	respiratory, systemic	++	dust, wood	unknown
Purpleheart	nausea, malaise	systemic	++	dust, wood	common
Quebrach	irritation, nausea, malaise, nasopharyngeal cancer	respiratory, systemic, nose, throat	++ ?	dust, bark, leaves dust dust	common unknown unknown
Redwood	sensitivity, pneumoitis, alveolitis, nasopharyngeal cancer	eyes, skin, respiratory, nose, throat	++ ?	dust dust	rare unknown
Rosewoods	sensitivity, irritation	eyes, skin, respiratory	++++	dust, wood	common
Satinwood	irritation	eyes, skin, respiratory	+++	dust, wood	common
Sassafras	sensitivity, direct toxicity, nausea, malaise, nasopharyngeal cancer	respiratory, systemic, nose, throat	++ + ?	dust dust, wood, leaves, bark dust	rare rare rare
Sequoia	irritation	respiratory	+	dust	rare
Snakewood	irritation	respiratory	++	dust, wood	rare
Spruce	sensitivity	respiratory	+	dust, wood	rare
Walnut	sensitivity	eyes, skin	++	dust, wood	common
Wenge	sensitivity	eyes, skin, respiratory	++	dust, wood	common
Willow	sensitivity, nausea, malaise	respiratory, systemic	+	dust, wood, leaves, bark	unknown
Western Red Cedar	sensitivity	respiratory	+++	dust, leaves, bark	common
Teak	sensitivity, pneumoitis, alveolitis	eyes, skin, respiratory	++	dust	common
Yew	irritation, direct toxicity, nausea, malaise, nasopharyngeal cancer	eyes, skin, systemic, nose, throat	++ ++++ ++++	dust dust, wood dust	common common common
Zebrawood	sensitivity	eyes, skin	++	dust, wood	rare

**Notes:** The information in this chart is based on data collected by Robert Woodcock, RN, BSN, CEN

**Irritation** – The wood species acts as an *irritant*, causing itching, rashes, watery eyes, and other uncomfortable reactions.

**Sensitivity** – The wood species acts as a *sensitizer*, causing people to develop allergic reactions after repeated exposure.

**Direct toxicity** – Chemicals (called *extractives*) in the wood species are poisonous.

**Nausea, malaise** – Exposure to the wood species cause flu-like symptoms.

**Systemic** – Reactions are not confined to a specific body part; they affect much or most of the biologic system.

**Nasopharyngeal cancer** – A cancer that affects the back of the throat where the nasal passages open into it.

## Woodturner’s Web Sites

While searching for an interesting web site for this issue, I came across two web sites that each contain hundreds of links to sites of interest to woodturners. The only problem is that their last update dates are several years old, and some links may be outdated. However, one of the web sites apparently didn’t up-

date the update date because they linked material on the AAW web site that is one year more recent than the update date. Confusing? Anyway, here are the web sites. We have lots of exploring to do: [Rob Wallace's Woodturning Links](#), and [Marshall's Woodturning Links](#).

## Dates to Remember

The 26th Annual AAW symposium will be held in San Jose, CA, Friday June 8<sup>th</sup> through Sunday June 10, 2012, at the San Jose Convention & Cultural Facilities. Full registration fee includes demonstrations, the Instant Gallery, trade show exhibitions, auctions, and membership for non-members. Symposium fees are: Through May 15, 2012: \$250 for members and \$310 for non-members. After May 15, 2012: \$300 for members and \$360 for non-members. After May 28<sup>th</sup> and onsite: \$350 for members and \$410 for non-members. Further details are available on the [AAW website](#).

The Woodturners of Olympia are presenting their fifth annual symposium, "Creativity in Woodturning" featuring David Ellsworth on July 28, 2012 from 7:50 a.m. until 5:15 p.m. It will be held at the Komachin Middle School in Lacey, Washington. The price is \$90 until May 31<sup>st</sup> after which it will increase to \$100. For more information or to register for the symposium, go to their web site: <http://www.woodturnersofolympia.org>, call Al Price at 360-791-0396, or email him at [aprice44@aol.com](mailto:aprice44@aol.com).

The 21<sup>st</sup> annual Southwest Association of Turners Symposium (SWAT) will be held in the Waco (TX) Convention Center on August 24<sup>th</sup> -26<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Lead demonstrators include Barbara Dill, Cindy Drozda, Michael Hosaluk, Todd Hoyer, Johannes Michelson, Joe Ruminski, Hayley Smith, and Steve Sinner. An additional eleven regional demonstrators will be featured for a total of fifty-four demonstration rotations. Last year's symposium attracted over 800 attendees and this year promises to be even more exciting. For more information, visit [www.SWATurners.org](http://www.SWATurners.org) or contact SWAT President, Janice Levi at [jlevi@rightturnonly.net](mailto:jlevi@rightturnonly.net).

The 14th Annual Rocky Mountain Woodturning Symposium will be held at [The Ranch / Larimer County Fair Grounds](#) in Loveland, Colorado, on September 7<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012. It is sponsored by the [Rocky Mountain Woodturners](#). Featured demonstrators include John Jordan, J. Paul Fennell, Johannes Michelsen, Trent Bosch, and Allen Jensen.

## Newsletter Editor's Request

Please send your newsletter contributions and suggestions for improvement to Bill Draper via [cvwnews@charter.net](mailto:cvwnews@charter.net) no later than Monday of the week before the next regularly scheduled meeting. The submission deadline for the April 2012 newsletter is April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## CVW Meeting Location and Directions

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