



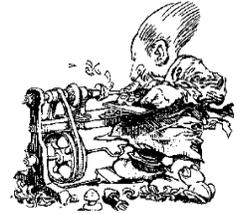
Chatter and Catches

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President's Gouge

Hope you all had a great Christmas and a fun New Year's Eve. As we take down our holiday decorations it is a good time to reflect on the past year and to look forward to what is ahead. This past year the club moved into a different venue. It has been a challenge, but each meeting goes a little smother than the last. We had many fun demonstrations and productive hands-on sessions.

Thanks to everyone who stepped up to do a demonstration. Thanks to Frank Miller for running the video during

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Before the lathe is turned on, ensure that all clamps and fittings are secure and that the work piece is free to turn.



demonstrations and for always contributing something fun and interesting at the hands-on gatherings. Thanks to Donna Dimmick, our Party Director, for putting together two fun socials. Thanks to Wayne Porter for heading up the craft fair. Thanks so much to all of you for your help in adjusting to our new digs and for all you do for our club.

The December "Winter Social" was fun. We had a good turnout. There was more than enough good food and excellent company. The raffle was fun, I hope all you winners enjoy your prizes. The show and tell was small but a lot of quality pieces. Thanks to Patti, Frank, and Jerry for sharing their work. I announced Ken Crosby as "Turner of the Year". Ken and Mary Ann were out of town, so I will have to embarrass Ken at a later meeting.

We took down the club's entry at the Douglas County Museum's "Gallery of Trees" on December 28th. It took Wayne Porter, my wife and I all of 20 minutes to dismantle and pack everything away. Thanks to everyone who has donated ornaments. Our tree is always a hit with the attendees.



At this month's meeting, Saturday January 8th, we will talk about the club's direction going forward. So, bring your ideas and suggestions. I will be doing a demonstration of my "Everyday Angels" at this meeting. I call them "Everyday Angels" so they can stay on display all year round, not just the holidays. They are a fun project that uses both spindle and faceplate turning. Our treasurer, Patti, will be collecting 2022 dues. It is still a great deal at just \$80.00.

I hope 2022 will be a big improvement over 2021 and a wonderful year for all of us.

John "Nik" Nikakis, President [photos by Paul Cote]



American Ash (*Fraxinus americana*)



Scorched ash bowl with dyed maple lid

The three species of American ash vary in color. The black and brown ash are slightly darker, with a greyish-brown color. The other varieties tend to be a lighter grey-brown tinged with red. The wood is usually straight-grained and coarse, with an even texture, and lustrous. It works well with machine and hand tools but has a moderate blunting effect. It polishes, stains and scorches well. American ash is used for furniture, boatbuilding, sports equipment and is very good for tool handles. American ash is an ideal turning wood good for bowls, boxes, and spindle work. Give it a try.

Newsletter Editor's Request

Please send your newsletter contributions and suggestions for improvement to the Club Newsletter Editor via robinson6888@yahoo.com no later than Monday of the week before the next regularly scheduled meeting. The submission deadline for the February 2022 newsletter is January 31st.

CVW Meeting

January 8th 9:00 AM Douglas County Community Center

Hands on

January 22nd 9:00 AM Douglas County Community Center

Douglas County Community & Senior Center

1329 Waterloo Lane
 Gardnerville, NV 98410
 775-782-5500

The community center is easy to find and there is ample parking and a really large flag.

If you are coming from the north:

Take highway 395 through Minden/Gardnerville to the fourth traffic light (look for Smith's on your left and Walgreens on your right). Make a right turn at this intersection onto Waterloo Lane.

If you are coming from the south:

Take highway 395 to Gardnerville.

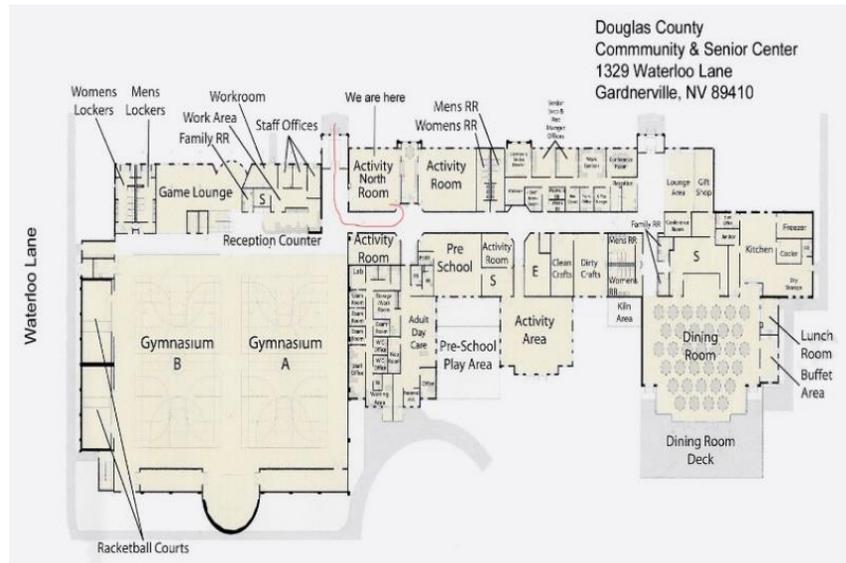
At the second traffic light (look for Smith's on your right and Walgreens to your left). Make a left turn at this intersection onto Waterloo Lane.

For all:

The center is a short way down Waterloo Lane on the left (look for the big flag) just before the skate park and opposite Lampe Park.

We are in the north end of the building (closest to the street) in the North Room.

Masks are required.



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