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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Ralph Crowther



Hope everyone had a great summer with a little break from meetings. I took advantage of the break to travel up the coast through California,

Oregon, Idaho and Montana to visit friends that used to live near us. While there, we visited Glacier National Park. After a nice visit, we continued on to visit both Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks in Wyoming before heading home through Utah, Arizona, Nevada and finally California. Including driving around the parks, we put 3,700 miles on our camper van over 3 weeks. Fortunately most the gas was bought outside of CA where it is much cheaper. If you haven't been to our National Parks then you owe it to yourself to do so. We saw incredible scenery and plenty of wildlife (deer, elk, bison, goats, big horn sheep, moose, grizzly bear, fox, coyote, marmots, rabbits and many birds).

I wanted to bring some form of woodworking project with me but with limited space in the van I had to keep it small. I recently purchased a micro motor carver with bits to make realistic looking leaves. I saw this demonstrated at the AAW Symposium last month. As it turned out, the only free time I found was on the next to the last day while driving home. I had taken several small pieces of wood and some turnings to play with. Since time was limited, I decided to take a "leaf" bowl that I had previously turned and enhance the exposed leaf with ribbing and some shape. I have attached a picture to show the results after a couple of hours of carving. I am very pleased with this first attempt and plan to work on some more pieces in time for our November turning contest.

As summer ends, we start approaching the end of our yearly cycle for making toys and pens. Since the last turning challenge involves pen finishing, I went ahead and experimented with Jim Graham's technique and several others while making ten pens for the pen program. I think Jim has a great process, as his technique did give the best results of the different methods I tried. I also need to get back to work on airplanes and bulldozers.

Also, a reminder that elections are coming up in November. Traditionally the President position was a two-year stint and I will have concluded my two years in December. I believe it is important to elect new officers to constantly breathe new life into the organization and challenge the status quo. So think about running for office. I always believe that you will get more out of an organization the more you put into it.

As the weather starts to cool down (hopeful thinking), get out to your shop and make something!





Ralph Crowther

Shaper Origin

Thursday, September 1

7:00 p.m.



Toy Work Party

Saturday, September 3

9:00 a.m.



Ken Cowell

Thursday, September 15

6:30 p.m.



Charles "Charlie" Steichen, aged 91, passed away peacefully on August 9, 2022. Charlie is survived by Arlene Streit, his high school sweetheart and wife of 69 years, and his four children: Gail Plunkett of Placentia, Gary Steichen (Cristi) of Elk River,

Minnesota, Gina Hill (Craig) of San Marcos, Texas, and Geri Watkins (Jim) of Yorba Linda. He has nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Charlie was a native of Tipton, Kansas. Following high school graduation, he served two years in the United States Army in Korea and Japan. Upon completion of his Master's Degree in Nuclear Engineering from Kansas State University, Manhattan, he was employed for 31 years by North American Aviation. Charlie volunteered for 25 years with the St. Jude Hospital Guild. He was a Master Woodworker and a long time member of the Orange County Woodworkers Association and an avid toy-maker for their toy program. A funeral mass will be held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Placentia, on August 22, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. Internment will take place on September 6, 2022 at the Riverside National Cemetery.



Big Thank You to Joe at O'Neals Custom Door and Millworks in Orange for his donation of wood to the toy program and for general use by our members. Joe said, he will give us some advance notice when he will be putting more wood out front for the public to take. If you or know anybody that needs a door of any design or one that needs repair that is rotted and water damaged give them a call at 714-282-1856.

Len Musgrave



The OCWA received from Bill Rogers' estate, a Leigh FMT Mortise and Tenon Jig with a Dewalt Plunge Router. It's available for check-out from our library. I have played around using it and it is a very simple and easy to get perfect joints. Check out leightools.com/videos/ and scroll down to Mortise and Tenoning videos and FMT overview video. We have a Leigh D4Pro with all the attachments for check-out, too.

Len Musgrave



"CLUB ROOTS" (15+ YEARS)

Adams, David	Missbrenner, Alfred
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Aut, Warren	Neesley, Michael
Bruins, William	Nininger, Jerry
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Crowther, Ralph	Overholt, ElJay
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Eid, Antoine	Rogers, Les
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WOODWORKER OF THE YEAR

2021	Richard Kalman
2020	Ken Crandall
2019	Ken Cowell
2018	Bill Rogers
2017	John Marshall
2016	Len Musgrave
2015	Ken Cowell
2014	Larry Marley
2013	Ralph Crowther
2012	Ed Smet
2011	Len Musgrave

Person of the Year

2010	Al Whitcomb
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PAST PRESIDENTS

2013 - 2020	James Santhon
2012	Vic Cohn
2010 - 2011	Craig Chambers
2006 - 2009	James Santhon
2005	Doug Nowlin
2001 - 2004	James Santhon
1999 - 2000	Carson Davis
1997 - 1998	Sam Migliazzo
1995 - 1996	Mike Neesley
1993 - 1994	Larry Baum
1991 - 1992	Len Musgrave
1988 - 1990	Al Griffin
1987	Andy Goldman
1986	Greg Martin
1985	Dough Christie
1984	Bob Pederson



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Do you have an idea for an article, shop tip, or tool review? Please send articles to: newsletter@ocwoodworkers.org

Deadline for submissions is the Monday after the Woodturners meeting.



A BIG WELCOME

TO OUR NEW MEMBERS:

Jeff Rogers, Orange

Matthew Todd, Orange