Maine Woodturners

LAST MEETING

Our last meeting was on June 18 th. We had a sharpening clinic featuring the new Oneway system. Several members brought in some variation and everyone got a chance at a test drive. I didn't like the system at the demo. The Vari grind jig slid forward in the pocket and I couldn't get a nice bevel on my swept back bowl gouge. However, I won part of the system in the bring back raffle. After seeing my gouge had lost about 1 1/2 inches in the last 2 months I bought the Vari grind jig and with practice at home now really like it. I hope to prolong the life of expensive gouges, improve my turning by always having the exact same bevel and to be able to take any standard bowl gouge and put my favorite grind on it as opposed to buying the more expensive preground model.

Auction/Raffle

The raffle brought in \$45.00 and was won by Joe Dallorso. The wood auction was only \$15.00.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on September 17 at Erskine Academy. All future meetings will be held there. Erskine is located off route 32 about 1 mile past Dave's road. Look for a cemetery on your right and it's the next right turn just before the school..

This will be the first meeting of the new year. The main event will be nomination of officers. Dave is planning to step down as president so this will be a major time of transition for our group. It's time for others to come forward and to donate their time to the club.

Elections of new officers will be held at the October meeting.

We will also discuss plans for the upcoming year. Suggestions for demonstrators are welcome. I've heard it said that we've had too many repeat demonstrators. Now is the time for constructive suggestions.

John Jordan -Oct. Meeting

As you know by now, John Jordan will be coming in October. He will be at Dave's studio in the 17th & 18th for a hands on session. If you have made reservations for this, the fee of \$250.00 and is due no later than the Sept. meeting. If Dave doesn't have the money at this meeting he will be forced to cancel.

John Jodan will also do a one day demo on Sunday Oct.19. This demo is open to all club members.

Club Dues

Club dues due are September. You will find the membership application on the back of the newsletter. It's still only \$25.00. Remember your dues must be paid to see a demo as the one in October. Please send your dues directly to the treasurer, Bob Morrell. His address is on the form. We are an all volunteer organization. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.