

## **BCWG October 2022 Meeting Minutes**

**The October meeting was held at Louis Nordell's Shop  
18 Members Were Present**

**The next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 15 at 7 PM at  
Great Lakes Stair & Case Co.  
9155 Gast Rd., Bridgman, MI**

President Dennis Szymanski called the meeting to order.

### **Announcements**

The Krasl Art Center in St. Joseph is encouraging members of the Guild (who also live in Berrien County or are Krasl members) to submit works of art to their Community Art Show scheduled from November 19 to January 8. Submitted items must be an original design and made within the last year. For questions, please email John DeLapa at [northerncatalpa@sbcglobal.net](mailto:northerncatalpa@sbcglobal.net). Anyone interested can register at the following website:

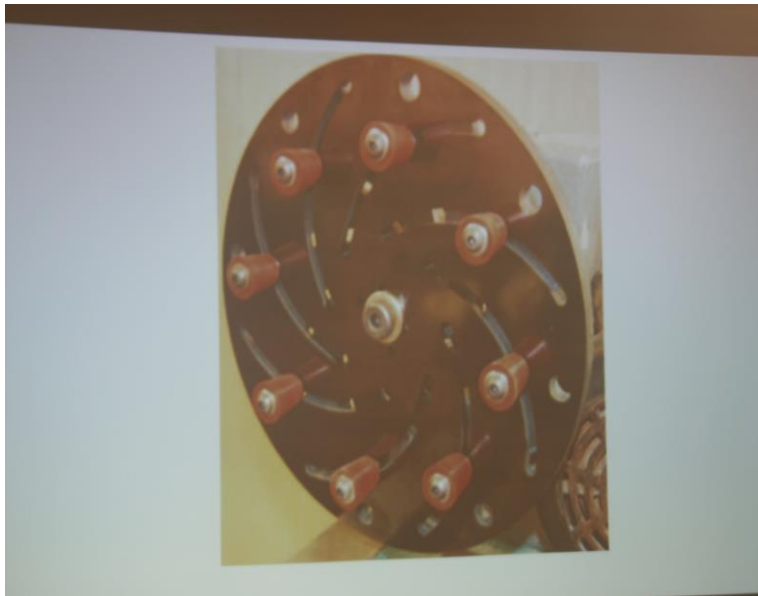
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The St. Joseph Lincoln Senior Center Woodshop is nearly fully operational. An initial showing to the community will occur on October 28. The Center is looking for experienced woodworkers to teach classes.

Guest Kirk Shafer was welcomed to the Guild.

### **Presentation**

Louis Nordell gave a presentation on constructing a Longworth Chuck using his CNC router. The Longworth Chuck provides a very efficient way for finishing the bottoms of bowls turned on lathes. The design was developed in the late 1980's in Australia by Leslie Longworth. A key feature is a reliable means to center the piece on the chuck.



**Typical Longworth Chuck Design**

## **Show & Tell**

### **Lindsey Smith**

Lindsey brought a stepped bowl made out of mulberry wood. A discussion ensued on how mulberry has extremely photo-reactive heartwood that changes from bright yellow to dark golden brown upon exposure to sunlight. Lindsey's bowl had been exposed to bright sunlight for about 40 hours.



**Lindsey Smith's Mulberry Bowl**

### **Henry Mora**

Henry brought a picture of a tool holder which he believed was made from pine. The piece was made for use at the St. Joseph Senior Center.



**Henry Mora's Tool Holder**

**Mark Blaser**

Mark Brought a pair of turned hickory bowl and pictures of kayak made of cedar, cypress and walnut. The bowls were finished with a friction polish.



**Mark Blaser's Hickory Bowls and Kayak**

**Al Fowler**

Al brought a Notre Dame plaque made from cherry and finished with Danish Oil.



**Al Fowler's Notre Dame Plaque**

**Dennis Szymanski**

Dennis brought an upholstered bench made from white ash and finished with polyurethane. Dennis pointed out that this was his first attempt at upholstery.



**Dennis Szymanski's White Ash Upholstered Bench**

Lindsey Smith won the “Sawdust in the Hat” drawing for a \$25 Lowes gift certificate.

Regards, Lindsey Smith - Secretary