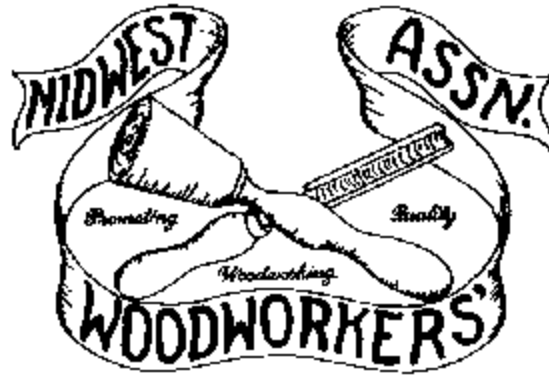




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President's Letter

Hello fellow woodworkers! I hope you're all enjoying the great warm weather as much as I am, and I also hope it sticks around for a minute. As my family is nearing the one year anniversary of our move from San Diego, I've been thinking a lot about how much I've learned from the two groups (woodworkers and wood turners) since I joined last summer. The courses I took in SD taught me a ton, but hearing y'all share your techniques and projects has helped me see new ways to approach my own work. I really appreciate it and look forward to learning and sharing more as I continue to develop my own style.

For this month's meeting, we will be meeting again at Sawdust Studios at 6:30 on Monday February 23rd. dean Gregory will be doing a demonstration on how he does some of his epoxy pours.

Please bring your safety glasses, a comfortable chair, and your show and tell projects. Also, Bob recently mentioned posting about some of our favorite jigs, but feel free to bring them in to share with the group!

Always remember

The tool currently in your hand is the one you were looking for 20 minutes ago and couldn't find; why you wanted it is now a complete mystery.

The last piece of plywood left in your wood rack that is large enough to finish a project has the grain running in the wrong direction or is maple and you need oak. The next largest piece is the right grain and right species but is 3/64" short on one side because you cut it out of square.

Tips, Tools & Jigs

Please submit your favorite tools & jigs for inclusion in this new section of our club websites: midwestwoodworkers.org and midmissouriwoodturners.org. You can send them to erik@erikbetz.com. During our March club meeting at Norm's shop, there was a request to publish details regarding the bandsaw blade tensioning tool that was mentioned. This can now be found under the RESOURCES tab on either website.

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