



# CALGARY WOODTURNERS GUILD NEWSLETTER

## October 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting

*"Instant Gallery" picture of the month*



*Tops turned so far for the Spruce Meadows event.*

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## From the Editor...

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After poring through some old posts in the AAW forum, I came across some interesting stories about people's experiences with their very first lathe. It reminded me of mine: an old Sears Craftsman (the one with the tube down the center) I picked up around 1977 just after we moved into our first house. It came with a few tools that probably had been

sharp at some point in their distant past. I didn't have a grinder either, but we did have a woodstove and a lot of firewood. I was able to produce some smaller and, I might humbly add, much more attractive firewood as a result.

Nostalgia -- it isn't what it used to be....

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## From the Instant Gallery

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## October 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting

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### Minutes of meeting



President Norm Olsen called the meeting to order at 7PM and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

To start, Carl asked for people to return DVD's to the library. There are quite a few that are still missing. Please help him to restore our collection of this valuable training material.

Greg Dahl talked about club finances. He noted that the AAW insurance coverage does not include non-members. He investigated other options and found that Wawanesa charges \$775 and that the AAW cost is \$99. Dave Beeman proposed that Greg handle it as he saw fit and Carl seconded the motion. Members of the CWG are encouraged to join the AAW.

Norm asked if Terry could say a few words about Colin Gordon: Terry said that in addition to him receiving the SAWS Innovator Award that he has been awarded tuition for the woodturning course at Black Forest. Norm reminded us that CWG also sponsors young people that have an interest in turning and that if they know someone that may qualify, to contact a member of the executive.

Terry Golbeck said that there is a new turning class, which is a 1-day refresher. The course consists of turning a spindle in the morning and a bowl in the afternoon.

Regarding Spruce Meadows this year - Neil said that we would have 2 people on the booth. There will be a meeting October 27<sup>th</sup> to discuss Spruce Meadows as well as training on the new payment system. Please email Neil if you have any specific questions regarding this year's 3-week event.

Sherry has updated the website with topics for future demos. The topic for the November 5<sup>th</sup> meeting is "Turning Christmas Ornaments".

The meeting topic for tonight's meeting is "Various Chucking Methods". Terry started the evening showing his way of using a jam chuck for holding eggs. This method also works for holding items such as turned fruit. A Oneway screw chuck was used to hold some of these items.



Don James showed the Escoulen chuck. The design of this chuck allows the work to be located both off-center and off-axis. He also described the use of others such as a mandrel for holding perfume applicators.

Just before the break we were all reminded to please bring tops to the next meeting as the Spruce Meadows event is fast approaching.





Following the break, Don West demonstrated vacuum chucking. To align the piece on the lathe, he uses a rubber hammer and nudges the workpiece on the vacuum chuck. Don makes use of a homemade faceplate using  $\frac{1}{4}$ " live gum rubber. This rubber is quite sticky and is available from Norwesco Industry 6908L 6<sup>th</sup> St. in Calgary. By adding a rubber "O" ring on the faceplate, he is able to hold small pieces with this method.

To hold pieces with uneven bottoms, he uses a clear plastic such as saran wrap and wraps 4 or more layers wrapped around the piece. In addition, masking tape could be used.

Another method of holding small pieces is to use double-sided tape and fix the piece to be turned directly on the headstock. For an example, he showed how to turn a piece of Pink Ivory.



Other methods he uses include a Beall collet chuck.

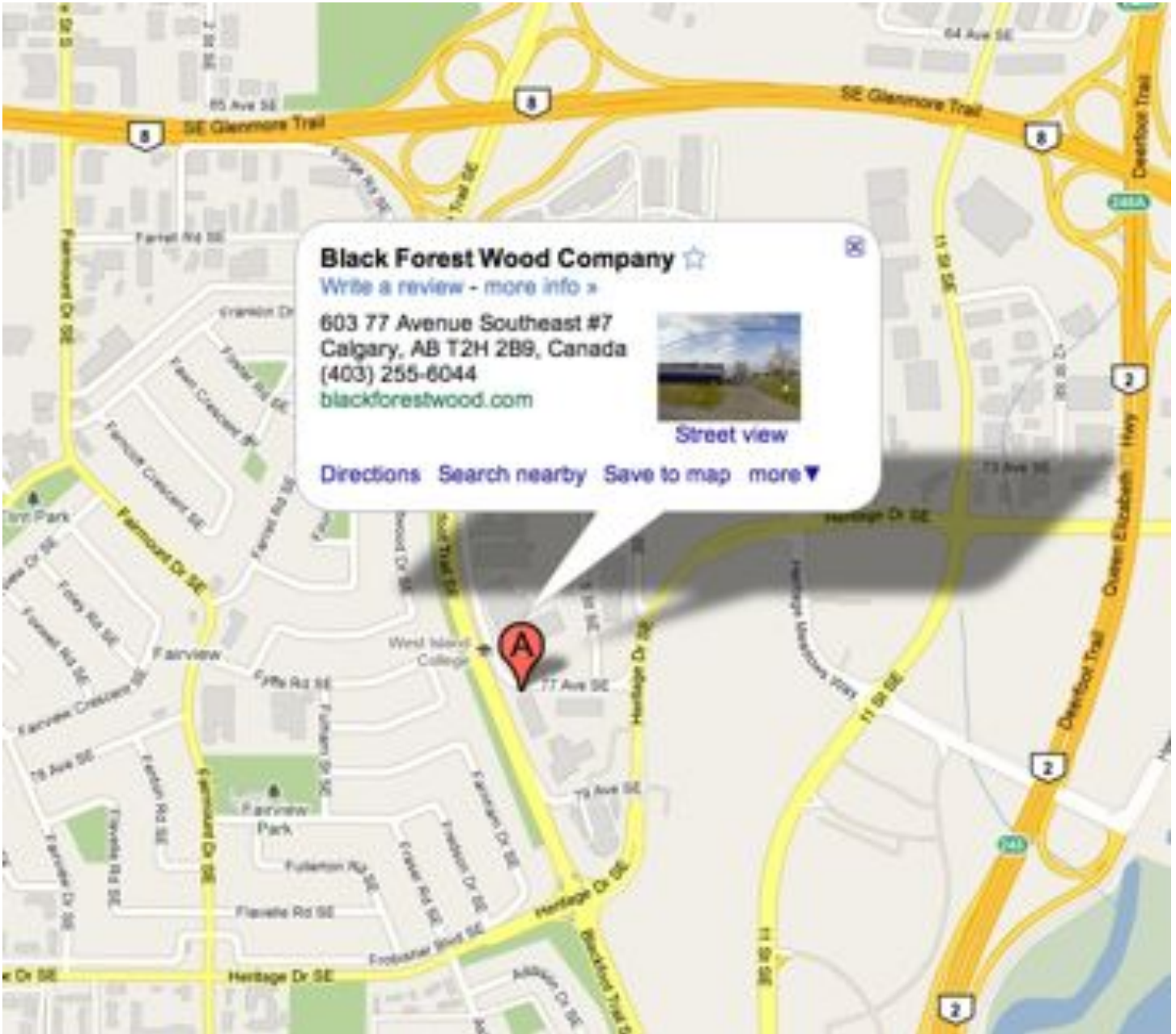
The Dave Beeman draw was held and along with a lot of wood won, the 50/50 draw of \$65 was won this month by Mark Baxter. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15PM. Please join us for the next meeting on Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>.



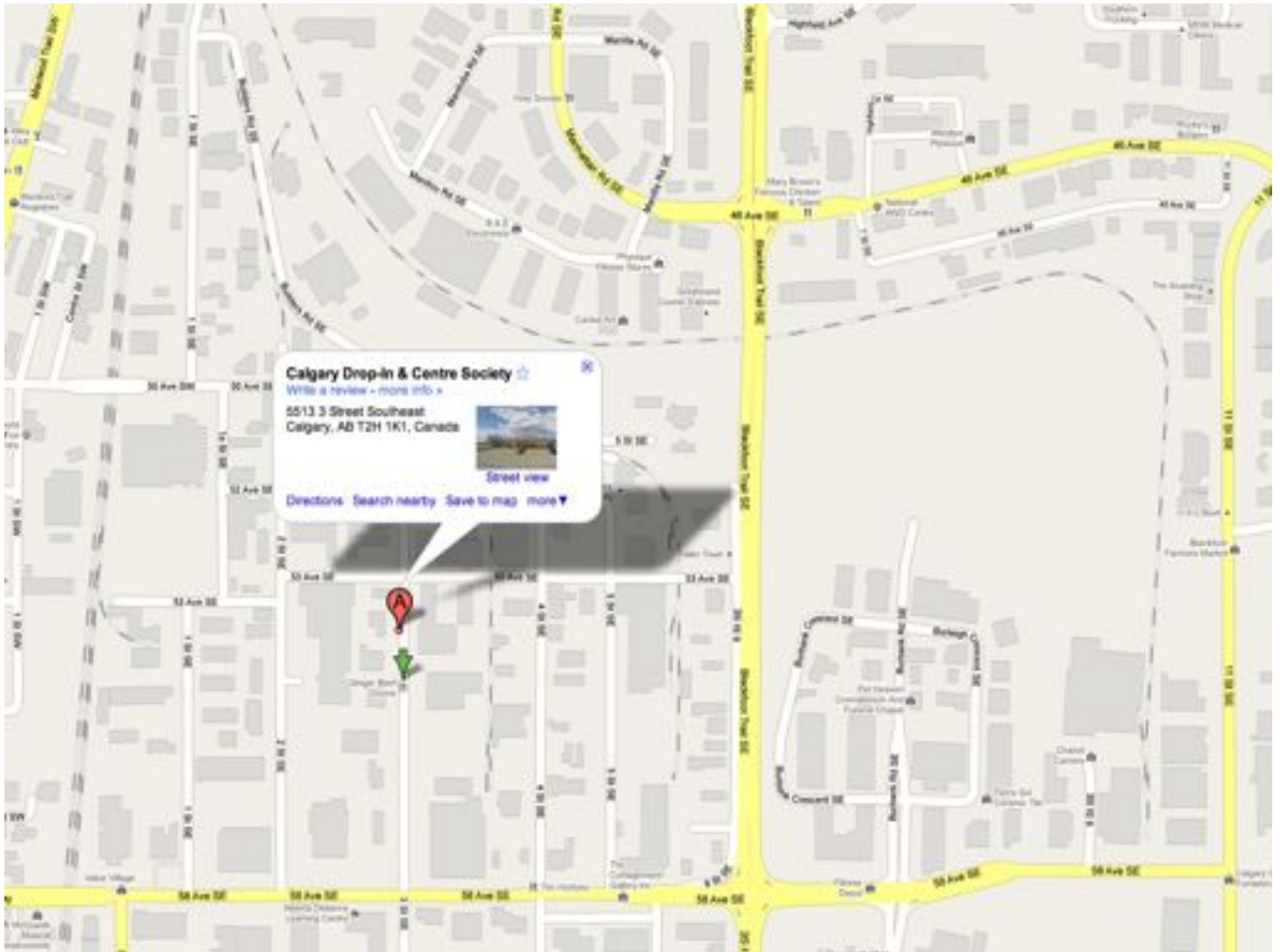
Off-center turning by Don West

### Club Meetings

The Calgary Woodturners Guild meets at Black Forest Wood the first Tuesday of each month at 7PM. Visitors are welcome.



By request - for upcoming sawdust sessions, here is the location of the Calgary Drop In Center:



### Interesting Websites



Please remember that Black Forest is now on Facebook. I'm unable to add a link since you need to be logged in to Facebook first. But if you log in to Facebook and do a search for "**Black Forest Calgary**" it will come up first. Then click on it and the page will appear. Have a visit to see what's new and "like" them while you are there. You may want to bookmark the page to be kept up to date on any updates. Events such as the annual BF Wood Expo are posted there now.

### Events

The 4<sup>th</sup> annual Black Forest Wood Expo and 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary sale will be held October 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> at the Black Forest store. Please see page 5 for the location.

### For Sale

Albert Daniels has a McNoughton center saver for sale. Complete with tool post. It has had very limited use and is about 1 year old.

Please contact him at 403-284-0592 or email at: [a.daniels@shaw.ca](mailto:a.daniels@shaw.ca)

Dick Leblanc has an old Henry Power Tools Craftmaster lathe for sale. Please contact him at: [dickleb@telusplanet.net](mailto:dickleb@telusplanet.net)





## About the guild...

### GUILD PURPOSE

TO PROMOTE THE ART AND CRAFT OF WOODTURNING IN A WAY THAT EXPANDS THE KNOWLEDGE, SAFE PRACTICE, AND ENJOYMENT OF WOODTURNING THEREBY BENEFITING BOTH MEMBERS AND ALSO THE COMMUNITY.

#### FOR THE MEMBERS:

- TO PROVIDE ALL MEMBERS WITH A METHOD OF REGULARLY EXCHANGING IDEAS AND EXPERIENCE IN WOODTURNING
- TO PROMOTE SAFETY IN WOODTURNING
- TO BENEFIT FROM GROUP SIZE IN ACQUIRING PUBLISHED RESOURCES & MATERIALS

#### FOR THE COMMUNITY:

- TO BRING AN AWARENESS OF WOODTURNING TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC
- TO PROVIDE CHARITABLE BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY

### MEETINGS

The Guild meets on the first Tuesday, each month (except July and August) at 7:00 PM at Black Forest Wood Co., Bay 7, 603 – 77<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, Calgary. Visitors are welcome.

MEMBERSHIP/DUES      Annual Dues - \$30.00 with E-Mail, otherwise \$35.00 on a calendar year basis.

**WEBSITE**    <http://www.calgarywoodturners.com>

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(MAL=Member at Large)

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