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Meetings are held on the fourth Sunday of each Month at Woodcraft Supply 12511 Olive Street Road, (Dierberg Center)

1 PM to 4 PM

(Bring a guest or friend)

N E X T M E E T I N G

Christmas Ornament turning will be demonstrated by:

Mike Lach - Ewald Altmann - Ken Schaefer

November 28, 1993 - Sunday - 1:00PM to 4:30 PM

Woodcraft Store

Even though the Alan Lacer seminar is two weeks after the normal Sunday date for the Woodturners of St. Louis meeting, the group voted to have a November meeting and devote it to Christmas Ornament turning. To supplement what the demonstrators present, everyone was asked to bring examples of their ornament turnings and tell about them.

To offset the comments that a turner has not made any Christmas ornaments, a definition is needed. For the meeting's sake, ornaments are anything that can be hung from a tree, plant or hook; anything that can be used for Christmas decoration such as a candlestick holder or even a bowl in which Christmas cards are placed; or anything that a turner made within a month of Christmas this or any year.

With the above definition, the room should be filled with Christmas related items. It should be a great meeting!

In addition to the show and tell portion, Mike Lach, Ewald Altmann and Ken Schaefer will demonstrate turning of ornaments that they have made. Blanks will be available from each turner to allow others to try their hand turning similar products during the latter portion of the meeting.

If anyone wants to read articles on making of Christmastree Ornaments, see American Woodturner, AAW Project Book which shows reprints from American Woodturner from 1987-1992.

The National Tree Trust is a federally endowed Trust with commitment to promote and support programs such as we are now starting. They will provide seedlings free of cost for planting. We can provide a vital link in the process by working with local forestry personnel in both site selection and co-ordination of planting activities.

With individual and chapter participation, we can seize this opportunity to insure that future generations of woodturners will enjoy and appreciate the beauty of our domestic woods. What better suited organization than ours to support this activity? What better public service purpose could we have than reforestation in our own communities?

Time is short to order seedlings for this year - December 1 deadline. Please either choose a spokes person for your area or be one.

Our first year's goals would be to have each chapter receive and/or distribute 1000 hardwood seedlings. These would be shipped to you freight paid, in the next few months by the National Tree Trust. Shipments are scheduled so that they may be received during planting season.

Please advise as to your desire to participate and we will furnish additional information and guide lines.

Very truly,



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