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March, 2004 "Shavings"

Names suggested: Turnings, Headstock News, Keep Turning, Turning News, Forever in Sawdust, & Your Turn

Attendance and new members: This month there were 31 members in attendance including 2 new members, Jim McGrath and Gary Berard. Jim enjoys turning pens in particular and Gary is an Industrial Arts Teacher. President Ken D'Ambrozio and members gave them a hearty welcome!

Jeff Mee has been very kind in helping George and Ann to get the Newsletter to all members. He will format the completed version in both **pdf** and **html** each month – both of which can be easily accessed. If you have any problems, email Jeff (jmee@hotmail.com) for instructions. Don't forget the newsletter is also on **our website** (see address above)!

New TV Monitor: Our new TV monitor is now on its elevated mount in the meeting room at Woodcraft. Jeff Mee has agreed to purchase a needed cable and we should be able to use the system by our March meeting! Vice Chairman, Steve Imms has volunteered to be the "keeper" of our club video camera. Thank you Jeff & Steve!

Twinning Project: George Nazareth reported that communication is continuing by email between some of our members with their UK counterparts from the Hampshire Woodturners. Jeff Mee, one of our twinning partners had downloaded and printed a number of the Hampshire Woodturners Newsletters, "Your Turn".

He distributed them to whoever wanted a copy. **George Nazareth** reported that he is planning to write a short article about **segmented woodturning** for the UK "Your Turn" newsletter. Any member who would like to establish an email relationship with a member of the Hampshire Woodturners can email **George** at <u>georgeanddolores@cox.net</u> or call him at 401-333-6119. It is an educational and entertaining experience.

Treasurer's Report: Bob Hopkins reported that we presently have a balance of \$2,468.96 in our checkbook. Bob has been collecting this year's dues. If you haven't paid yet please see him or email him (hopkins27@cox.net). If you have paid but haven't received you card please see Bob. The card will get you a 10% discount at Woodcraft, but you must show the card at the counter when you purchase goods.

Librarian: Bill Smith announced that he has been club librarian for a few years now and would like to turn the job over to another member. The major benefit of the job is that you can view all the club videos for free. **Tom Schwab** agreed to become our new club librarian. Thanks so much Tom!

Rich Lemieux has picked up Larry Dunklee's donated lathe and it is now in use at the Ocean Tides School where 12 students have already started learning basic woodturning. Mike Murray also donated a

5 gallon plastic bucket full of woodturning tools to the Ocean Tides program. These donations are creating future Ocean Woodturners! BZ! [Bravo Zulu or "Way to Go" for those that don't know military lingo!]

Future Meeting Demos:

President Ken D'Ambrozio restated his position that it is very important for members to share their woodturning talents with other members. He encourages members to open up their workshops to other members for teaching purposes (Jeff Mee has a member skill/shop list). Some of our members have already volunteered to teach other members in their workshops. At a future meeting each group will show the pieces that they have turned as a result of the instruction. If you'd like to teach or to learn a topic please contact Jeff Mee. We still need September thru December topics.

Below is a listing of monthly meetings scheduled so far this year:

- March Meeting; Cabriolet Legs -- Mike Murray will teach Larry Dunklee and Peter Sylvestre.
- **April Meeting**: Off-center turning— Emilio Iannuccillo will teach Mickey Goodman and Bernie Feinerman.
- May Meeting: Chucking------Ken D'Ambrozio will teach Curt Mason and Richard Murphy.
- June Meeting: Goblet with floating rings-----John Chakuroff will teach Jim Rathbun and Hank Belanger.
- **July Meeting**: Segmented Turning------George Nazareth will teach Anthony Scuncio, Richard Lemieux, David Barwise, and Wayne Collins.
- August Meeting: Sharpening Tools------Ernie Grimes will teach all members interested in this skill.

In keeping with sharing of skills, Rich Lemieux spent a day with Ken and turned a log and reground several of his tools. Ken continues to offer his time - if you're interested, call [295-0987] or email him [dambrosio@coteambrosio.com]. Also, Curt Mason and Bill Smith got together and tuned a cherry bowl! Sharing talents is what we are all about.

This years **AAW 2004 Symposium** theme is "From Sea to Odyssey". It will be held in Orlando, Florida in late June. There has been a change in size of collaborative projects; the new size is 12 inches x 12 inches x 12 inches x 12 inches. This is far smaller than the previous size. There did not appear to be much enthusiasm from the membership for our club to produce a piece for next summer's symposium in Florida; however, if you have an interest in participating in this project or heading it up, please email Mike Murray with input.

Demonstration at February meeting: Woodcarving Nametags. Tony Bancalari passed out to each member a 2" x 4" x 1/4" piece of basswood for carving our names. He also provided a template with our club logo and 2 small sketches of woodturning tools with a space in the center for our names. We were told how to rub the designs onto the wood and instructed how to cut into the wood with our penknives to make the logo, name and sketches stand out. Later, he demonstrated how to apply boiled linseed oil on the recessed areas and then rubbing oilbased pencil coloring into the recessed areas to make the nametags more attractive. Only one member did not have to carve her nametag. Tony had already carved one for **Ann Danis** as a sample to show everyone. Thanks Tony!







Show and Tell:

A notebook was passed around for all the members who brought items for show & tell to sign in. At the December meeting \$50 will be raffled among those participating. Also, all members who demonstrate during the year will be eligible for a \$200 raffle. This month there were a great number of turned pieces for Show and Tell. Rick Sousa is not only a prolific turner, but he is also very talented. He brought 7 bowls. Greg Drew, Larry Dunklee, Peter Silvestre, Ann Danis, George Nazareth, and Bill Smith also participated.

Good Job!



- 1. Greg Drew: Wet turned burl black oak bowl
- 2. Rick Sousa: Cherry Bowl
- 3. Larry Dunklee: 4 pens (1 from white tail deer antler, 2 from Tiger Maple, and 1 from Cherry)
- 4. Rick Sousa: bowl in Box Elder
- 5. Rich Lemieux: nesting bowl in Poplar
- 6. Peter Silvestre: lidded pot in Walnut
- 7. Ann Danis: lidded pot in Tiger Maple
- 8. Peter Silvestre: lidded pot in Poplar
- 9. Rick Sousa: Bowl in Box Elder with beetle burn marks (red markings)
- 10. George Nazareth: segmented platter (another beauty!) of Cherry, Walnut and Purple Heart
- 11. Jeff Mee: Wet turned bowl in Black Locust
- 12. Rick Sousa: Bowl in Maple
- 13. Rick Sousa: Bowl in Box Elder
- 14. Bill Smith: Bowl in Cherry
- 15. Rick Sousa: Bowl
- 16. Peter Silvestre: Cherry Bowl
- 17. Rick Sousa: Bowl in Box Elder
- 18. Bill Smith: Bowl in Black Walnut
- 19. Jeff Mee: hollow turning in Black Locust

The meeting ended with our auction of donated items under our new format. Worked very well!

Next Meeting Thursday March 18, 7 p.m. Woodcraft, Route 2, East Greenwich

Program: Cabriolet Legs by Mike Murray. Presented by students Larry Dunklee and Peter Sylvestre (And other good stuff)

February 21st, 2004. Bowl Turning by Rick Angus



What a great demonstration and a wonderful turnout for Rick Angus! 39 interested turners attended this demonstration held at the North Kingstown Free Public Library. Rick Angus gave a memorable and instructive demonstration of bowl turning. Using primarily bowl gouges of varying sizes, Rick expertly demonstrated how to take pieces of Walnut logs and turn them into beautiful bowls. For our \$10 admission, we were also treated to a light lunch at noon. Ann Danis handled purchasing the lunches and Curt Mason collected the admission fees. We had Woodturners in attendance from a number of other area clubs. We also signed up 2 new members, Norman R. Mancuso and Dave Eaton, both from Natick, MA. We are all indebted to our own Emilio Iannuccillo for his efforts in arranging and promoting this very successful demonstration. Email from Rick to Emilio following the demo.

Emilio;

I really enjoyed demonstrating for your club. I was very pleased by the attendance and their level of interest. I enjoyed your questions and comments and found the Ocean Woodturners to be a very lively and friendly club. I plan to use the jam-chuck doughnut approach very soon and cannot resist slipping my newfound term, cuttus interuptus, into an upcoming CCW meeting.

Recently you hosted Jim Kephart and he told me that he had a very nice time that Saturday. Angelo is scheduled to participate for the second month in a row for the CCW and I am so very pleases by the amount of fun and learning that occurs with these inter-club technique exchanges. I will encourage CCW club members to demonstrate for surrounding clubs to help continue the momentum.

I would like to demonstrate for other clubs; perhaps somewhere we have little word-of-mouth advertising, and would appreciate it if you or a member of your club could write a letter of recommendation for me for my files. This could be addressed to woodturning club members (or some such term) to be submitted by me to other clubs who show interest in my demonstrations. Please include a bit about the specific basic bowl turning topic and my demonstrating style in general. I appreciate it greatly.

The hospitality shown to me by you, Joe and the entire club made the day very enjoyable, satisfying and very memorable. I would be honored to demonstrate for you again in the future.



Thanks,

Rick

P.S. I tried to write this letter with the fine pen that Larry made for me but it only made these funny marks on the computer screen.

