



# High Desert Turning

Calendar Year Membership: 20 individual, \$25 family  
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## AAW News

The Symposium online registration is now up and running.

<http://www.woodturner.org/sym/reg/default.asp?tE=1>

## Chips, Cuts, and Splinters

We still have an opening for a Logistics coordinator. The primary responsibility of the Logistics coordinator is to see that our club meeting space is set up each month, including preparation of the coffee service, muffins, and setting up the chairs. Please consider giving the club some of your time and effort by volunteering for this critical position, which is also a Board member role.

NMWT Members are called to assist as mentors for a Sunday's only youth group sometime this summer. Albuquerque WoodWorkers Association member, Ernest Romero and his friend Reggie Cheshire have submitted the following message. If members are interested in helping with this project a couple of hours for two or three Sundays, please contact

Les Jolley. Ernie and Reggie have been invited to speak briefly at the May meeting to explain more about this worthwhile endeavor.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Jolley,-  
Two of the past three years Reggie Cheshire and I (both woodworker "nuts") brought together a group of kids ages 7-15 (boys and girls) for a woodworking summer seminar at my place in the East Mountains immediately following church services on two consecutive weekends. Our idea was to introduce the kids to woodworking by having them assemble, sand and "build" finger joint privacy boxes complete with hasps, lock and key. Reggie and I provided the pre-cut stock so that each child had an identical project box to work on and take home.

Reggie and I set up several card tables with folding chairs under the pine trees for a prayer of gratitude with a beautiful day, we all enjoyed Pizza and soft drinks. The following Sunday's menu was Southern fried chicken and a variety of desserts. Immediately following lunch, Reggie and I began our project discussion and instructions for the 15 youths. The kids produced some beautiful work, adding

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their individual designs to the box tops by choosing from a pile of inlay materials from various types of exotics.

The biggest problem with we encounter is the lack of supervising mentors to assist the kids. Not enough time could be spent with each child leaving many of them sitting for long periods of time waiting their turn – that’s a tough thing for young kids. We were also short on palms sanders and clamps. When all was said and done, there were plenty of smiles from the kids, and both Reggie and I had as much or more fun than the kids did.

The plan this year is to expand the number of kids to 20 – we can do this with the help of other volunteers such as Albuquerque Woodworkers Association members (AWA). With the additional mentors’, it would make it possible for the young ones to have a choice of projects on a “first come first serve basis”. We want to donate our time and materials so that the weekends will be free for participating kids. That’s the thumbnail sketch. Please let consider working with me and Reggie on this project in any capacity that you are able; i.e. Project plans, demonstration, assisting, use of sanders, etc. Thank you so much for your interest. Reggie and I thank you in advance for your participation with this very meaningful effort.

Best personal regards,

Ernie Romero

## **Classes**

### **Woodcraft**

[www.woodcraft.com](http://www.woodcraft.com)

Provides classes in turning and carving among other things. A partial list can be

found at their web site or contact the store at 342-9663 for more information.

### **Santa Fe Community College**

[www.sfccnm.edu](http://www.sfccnm.edu)

Santa Fe Community College offers both credit and noncredit courses taught by some of the most prominent artisans in the woodworking field. Classes are offered in Fall, Spring, and Summer sessions. For more information on SFCC classes contact club member Al Mirman, one of the Woodturning instructors, at 771-0490. Information can also be found at SFCC’s web site.

## **Coming up Next**

### **April – This month...**

Windy Dankoff will give a presentation on a sliding dust collection system, along with the tools, and the jigs used to make his own designed Native American flutes. Windy’s flutes are easy to play with little instruction. He’ll demonstrate various fabrication methods including a commercial kit, bamboo, turned wood, and a boring method using a router table.

## **Discounts & Rebates**

### **Woodworker’s Meeting Day Sale**

[www.woodworker.com](http://www.woodworker.com)

Wood Worker’s Supply provides NMWT members with special discounts on a variety of items each meeting day. Look for an additional 10% off the 3 MEETING DAY SALE ITEMS announced at every meeting.

### **Woodcraft – April - Wood of the Month**

Polli Goen-Crlberg , a Manager from Woodcraft, has agreed to provide some background on the wood of the month selection each month. The wood of the month for April is Imbuia (Phoebe

porosa), also known as Brazilian Walnut. Imbuia is a fairly hard and dense wood. It can range in color from a yellow-olive to chocolate brown. Usually straight grained, it can also exhibit curly or wavy grain. The color and properties make Imbuia a good wood for furniture and cabinet making. Regular retail price on Imbuia is \$5.60 per boardfoot. For the month of April we will offer Imbuia at a 20% discount (roughly \$4.50 per boardfoot). Bill Zerby says it turns similar to Bubinga. We at Woodcraft can't wait to see what you make of this wonderful wood.

Polli Goen-Carlberg  
 Manager  
 Woodcraft

**CLUB CREDIT FOR NMWT MEMBERS**

Woodcraft donates a portion of every sale to NMWT member to the club each year. It's not automatic, however. YOU MUST tell the cashier to "Credit this sale to the NMWT Store Donation" when you pay for your items.

**Crafts Supply**

[www.woodturnerscatalog.com](http://www.woodturnerscatalog.com)  
 Offers a discount to members on large orders. Craft Supply has implemented a new club support program visit their web site or phone Kathy Lawrence at... 1-800-551-8876

**Events**

For those of you that don't know, I'm an avid motorcyclist... Just like Harley-Davidson supports MDF, Honda has chosen the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation as its foundation of choice by sponsoring the "Ride for Kids" (RFK). What does that have to do with turning you ask? Well, RFK is having a

multitude of fundraising functions; two of these activities will be auctions. We're looking for some nice items to auction off... So, if you would like to donate some of your work for a good cause we'd love to help you make room in your shop. See me, Tom Doering for more info.

**For Sale!**

⇒ You can also run an ad to FIND something, or perhaps TRADE?

**To order NMWT Logo Shirts**

Contact Ron Bahm at 881-8845.



**Future Meetings**

**2007**

While topics are still in the planning stages, dates for regular Club meetings for 2007 are as follows:

Meeting Schedule for 2007

February 3	July 7
March 3	August 4
April 7	October 6
May 5	November 3
June 2	December 1

A tentative list of programs for those meetings will be announced in early 2007.

## **Gallery Of Turnings**



Nathan P. Devilbiss



Windy Dankoff



Pinon Mushrooms – Windy Dankoff



Maple, Wenge & Oak Clock – Irling Smith



Lidded Bowl – Bill Kalb



African Tigorwood and Goncalo Alves – Jim Ferguson



Bloodwood and Maple - Jim Ferguson

## ***In the News***

No News is not good news

## ***NMWT Mentor List***

Members are always welcome to contact the people on the following list for guidance to better turning ideas, and techniques -- Free to members so give a Mentor a call!

Name	Phone	Description
Bill Zerby	891-9188	Basic spindle turning & tool sharpening
Bob Clancy	281-4469	Basic turning & Bowl Turning
Dan Shipman	296-9754	Basic turning, hollowing & segmented construction
Irling Smith	865-9230	Segmented turning & design
Jim Ferguson	877-1125	Segmented (open) Computer Design
John Ellis	771-1773	Basic turning, plates, tools & handles
Red Hollenbach	823-2260	Basic turning & small items
Ron Phillips	867-0612	Special Tools (rests & steadies)

### **Raffle**

You will receive one free ticket for bringing a gallery item(s) to the meeting, and three free tickets for bringing a raffle item(s). Check your wood supply, old or new unused tools, books etc for raffle items.

### **Video & Resource Library**

#### THE LIBRARY CORNER

The New Mexico Wood Turners club has an extensive library of VHS tapes and DVDs, which many of you check out regularly. What many of you don't know is that we have a modest collection of magazines which have been donated to our library and which I have at my house. A list of the magazines and issues follows:

American Woodworker	Nos. 13-82 1990-1998
American Woodturner	1988-2004

(AAW Publication)

Fine Woodworking  
Nos.54-120 1985-1996

The Wood Turner  
(UK Publication) Nos. 1-8

Wood Nos. 5-129  
1985-2000

Woodturning  
(UK Publication) Nos.1-96  
1990-2001

Woodwork Nos. 2-37  
1989-1996

Woodturning is an excellent magazine published in the UK. The November 2000 issue featured an article by Jimmy Clewes on turning an elm burl platter and an article on "What Judges Look For".

### **Ten years ago:**

The April 1997 issue of Woodturning featured an article by Lionel Pringle on making a "Minaret Pot" from yew, a very delicate and unique little piece. Another article by Stuart Mortimer described incorporating lattice-work in a turned bowl.

American Woodturner is the official journal of the American Association of Woodturners. Five years ago the spring issue (2002) featured a comprehensive article by Al Stirt, an article on "Taking Photos for Publication" and "Red Hot Laser Measuring" by Lyle Jameson.

The Woodturner is another British publication. We only have eight issues, but the articles are very detailed and "how-to". The June 1992 Issue contained articles on natural edge

turning, making chess sets and turning a gavel

If you would like to check out a magazine(s) call me (Tom Cour) at 867-8771 and I will have it for you at the next meeting or if you want it sooner you are welcome to come by my house. I live in Rio Rancho. At the present time I have no plans to publish an index of all the articles in all the magazines. There are five full file boxes of magazines.

Tom Cour - Librarian

### Videos

Note the new \$1/item/month contribution.

### AAW Symposia Videos

The Resource Library includes tapes from past AAW Symposia (1998 – 2001) which may also be checked out. The tapes feature some of the excellent technical demonstration given during the symposium as well as items from the huge instant galleries each year. They are well worth checking out. Starting later this year we will have DVD's of all the tapes for checkout.

### Lathes

NMWT owns several lathes, which may be checked out. New members who have yet to purchase their own lathe are encouraged to take advantage of this club benefit. If you meet or hear of someone who might benefit from this resource, please pass their name on to Rich.

### Magazines

An index of issues and topics is in the making and will be posted on the upcoming website. If you have a collection of prior issues of any woodworking or turning magazines, please consider donating them to the Resource Library for other members to use.

## WEB Sites

Found a good WEB site? Want to share it with other club members? Then send the info to me at: [Tom@doering.us](mailto:Tom@doering.us)

[www.nmwoodturners.org](http://www.nmwoodturners.org)

Questions or suggestions are welcome. Please contact the club Webmaster Dave Stein at: [dave@seriouslight.com](mailto:dave@seriouslight.com)

[www.woodweb.com](http://www.woodweb.com)

[www.cleanturn.net](http://www.cleanturn.net)

[www.tufftooth.com](http://www.tufftooth.com)

For those of you who have equipment or material for sale, you can have it posted here in our newsletter, but another resource is:

[www.albuquerque.craigslist.org](http://www.albuquerque.craigslist.org)