



# High Desert Turning

Calendar Year Membership: \$20 individual, \$25 family  
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 275-8402

## Next Regular NMWT Meeting:

**April 4, 2009**  
**9:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

### Passing of Our Dear Friend and Fellow Member

On March 25th, on the way home from picking up his work at the Sunport exhibit, Hillard Gerhardt was in a single car accident and was fatally injured. We ask that you remember Hillard, his wife and family in your thoughts and prayers. He was a true gentleman, an expert turner, and a model of inspiration to all who knew him. We can be thankful that he has a large collection of work that will be a testament to his spirited life.

## April Meeting Demonstration

The panel discussion on Woodturning Design will feature Al Mirman, Michael Mocho, and Jim Preston. John Ellis will be the monitor. Bring your questions for a great discussion.

## Future Meetings 2009

Meeting Schedule for 2009 and  
 Program Topics

### Malcolm Tibbetts – Special Segmented Turning Presentations

Malcolm Tibbetts will present two special sessions this month. Malcolm is a world famous turner specializing in segmented turnings. His web site is [Tahoeturner.com](http://Tahoeturner.com). The schedule is as follows.

Friday, 04/17 from +/- 9 AM to 4 PM - hands-on session at John Ellis' shop (tentative) with 12 members (6 lathes) at a cost of \$50 each.

Saturday, 04/18 from 9 AM to 2:30 PM - presentation and demonstration at Woodworkers Supply for all members at a cost of \$20 with lunch provided.

We will discuss this in more detail at our regular meeting on April 4th. To get a better start on the lists and arrangements, please let me know if you are interested in:

1. Friday session with 12 members - \$50
2. Saturday session all members - \$20

OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2009			Webmaster		
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			Program Coord.	John Ellis	771-1773

May 2	Wood Toxicity (Tom Rader), Color Stability (Tom Cour), Wood Characteristics & Samples (Gale Greenwood & John Ellis), and turning with sight disabilities (Steve and Madeline Sabo of Mountain Top Turners.)
Jun 6	State Fair Judging (Dan Shipman – coord.), Critique of Member Works (Panel to be selected)
Jul 4	Guest Professional Turner #1 - TBA
Aug 1	Program TBA
Sep 5	Open Segmented Turning (Irling Smith)
Oct 3	Program TBA
Nov 7	Metal Spinning & Hand-chased Threads (Michael Mocho & John Ellis), Annual Officer Election
Dec 5	Gift Exchange & 2010 Planning

If you would like to participate in any of the above or have ideas for a program or would topics, please contact John Ellis on 771-1773 or email him at [NMWTwebman@aol.com](mailto:NMWTwebman@aol.com).

***AAW Symposium***

**Aluquerque, New Mexico  
Albuquerque Convention Center  
June 26 (Thurs) - 28 (Sun), 2009**

***Significant Contributions To New Mexico Woodturners***

**Eligibility to Receive the Award:**  
The award may be made to members of NMWT, nonmember individuals or businesses.

**Types of Awards:**  
Members may be awarded an Annual or Lifetime Membership along with a framed certificate OR they may receive the Significant Contribution Award along with

the appropriate certificate and their name on a Significant Contribution Award Plaque. Members awarded a Lifetime Membership should have their name so noted on the club's membership list.

Businesses may be awarded a "Significant Contribution Award" which would include a framed certificate and the name of the business on a plaque to be hung in the meeting place.

Non-member individuals may be awarded an Honorary Lifetime Membership including a framed certificate to be presented at a regular NMWT meeting OR they may receive the Significant Contribution Award with the appropriate certificate and their name on the Significant Contribution Award Plaque.

Number of Awards: There is no limit on the number of awards presented in a year and there is no stipulation that any award must be presented.

***Classes***

***Woodcraft***

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

Provides classes in turning, sharpening 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.

***Summer/Fall Woodturning Classes  
at Santa Fe Community College***

**Beginning Woodturning** class will be offered at Santa Fe Community College this summer. The two week class will run during the weeks of July 13 and July 20, Monday thru Friday between the hours of 9am - 3pm each day. Registration opens on April 20. Class registration can be made directly through the school website at [www.sfcn.edu](http://www.sfcn.edu)

**Beginning Woodturning, Advanced Woodturning and WoodTurning Studio** are available for the Fall term starting August 22<sup>nd</sup>. These classes generally run twice a week for eight (8) weeks or once a week for sixteen (16) weeks.

The Woodturning Studio at Santa Fe Community College is equipped with 7 full-size professional lathes and 2 mini lathes. All basic tools are supplied for these classes including and not limited to scroll chucks, turning tools, live/dead centers, grinding/sharpening equipment, etc. The Beginning and Advanced Woodturning classes generally follow a planned course outline with some time available for individual experimentation and creative expression. Woodturning Studio class provides for independent work in all areas of woodturning.

Many new accessories have recently been added to the Woodturning Studio and include:

A large sandblasting cabinet, laser guided hollowing system. Trent Bosch hollowing tools. McNaughton coring system, Iwata airbrush, NSK Presto piercing equipment, a vacuum chucking system, pyrography system, carving stands and various surface treatment equipment combined with a Foredom system including rotary and reciprocating hand pieces.

Information on the details of these classes may be obtained from Alfred Mirman at 771 - 0490.

## ***Discounts & Rebates***

### ***Woodworker's Supply Meeting Day Sale***

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

All books in the store with an additional 10% off if the discounted price is not below cost.

### ***Woodcraft***

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

#### ***Wood of the month***

HARD MAPLE BLANKS

1 ¼ X 1 ¼ x 12 \$1.99

Hormingo Negro: all sizes

As always, we look forward to seeing you at Woodcraft. - Bill Zerby, Manager

### ***CLUB CREDIT FOR NMWT MEMBERS***

Woodcraft donates a portion of every sale to NMWT members 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

## ***For Sale!***

High quality Tamarisk and Box Elder Burl turning blanks and pen blanks.

Larry Andeson 681-8220

Craftman Air Compressor like the one Ron Phillips talked about at the last meeting.

7.2 SCFM @ 40 psi ; 6.0 SCFM @ 90 psi presently set up for 240 Volts. Can be set up for 120 Volts on a 20 amp circuit.

Asking \$170 or best offer.

Harley Meuret 891-2170

Remember, your items for sale will run for one month unless you request an extension. There is no charge for listing items, and we welcome members to use this space for anything related to woodturning.

⇨ **You can also run an ad to FIND or TRADE something?**

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### **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
Ed Hume	291-9792	Preparation, inlay and polishing Turquoise
Ron Phillips	867-0612	Specialty tools: Rests and steadies
Janet Smith	823-2439	Pen Turning and Finishing

### **Gallery Of Turnings**

Equipment problems have prevented the Gallery of Turnings display this month.

### **NMWT Denim Shirts**

#### **New supplier for NMWT denim shirts & hats**

Long Sleeve Denim Shirt	\$25.00 including embroidery	
Short Sleeve Denim Shirt	\$24.00 including embroidery	
Polo (golf) shirt	\$20.00	“
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Short Sleeve T-Shirt	\$14.00	“
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Caps (baseball)	\$10.00	“
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Names Embroidered on Shirt added		\$3.00
Logo on Customer Supplied Garment		\$9.00
Contact: Ron Bahm 881-8845		

### **The Library Corner**

A list of all the DVD's and tapes will be listed on our web site in the near future. We are in the process of converting all of our tapes to DVD's. The tapes will be available for check-out, but only by request.

### **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.

### **Equipment & Supplies**

A couple of months ago I ask you to guess a certain wood that I had seen at an art show. The wood was Basswood. Since then I have looked at some turning size Basswood and the tight grain along with the heartwood and sapwood color contrast can make for some interesting work. Plus the available size and cost is attractive.

Chips on the ends of pen blanks can be a real problem. Soft woods such as Box Elder, stabilized burl woods and acrylics are prone to chipping. You can spend more time fixing a chipped end than it takes to turn the pen. There is a solution. If the chip is small take a carbide barrell trimmer and trim the end through the chip. Use a strip of 150 grit sand-paper to hold the piiece. Usually, 1/16<sup>th</sup> to 1/8<sup>th</sup> inch is enough. You will have additional thickness on the chipped end to sand out any remaining chip. I have successfully used this method twice.

Pennstate has the 7mm carbide barrell trimer on sale at 20% off.

The great segmented bowl artist Erling Smith uses his hands to give his bowls a final finish.

Why does highly figured Tamarisk (Salt Cedar) cost so much? Large aged pieces with deep orange color are hard to find. The silica that the tree takes up as it grows will quickly dull even silicon steel bandsaw blade. I used up a \$34.00 bandsaw blade on five turning blanks and 25 pen blanks. Was it worth the money? Well, I do get \$50.00+ for the pens so I suppose it is worth a \$34.00 blade. The iridescence from the silica is incredibly beautiful. How would Tamarisk look in a segmented bowl?

**Please E-mail me with any experiences you have had with equipment, tools or supplies.**  
[Larryda41@msn.com](mailto:Larryda41@msn.com)

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### **WEB Sites**

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

Please visit our web site. Webmaster Dave Stein has made many additions and improvements that are very useful to club

members. Check out our up-dated web site and the great job Dave is doing. If you have not been there lately we now have a new section titled "Hands-On: Ideas & Info". It contains the hand-outs from Bill Kloeping's demo on laminating pen and other blanks. We have received two additional files from Bill on the "Zia" which will be added to the web site shortly.

Found a good WEB site? Want to share it with other club members? Then send the info to our web site at: [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)

### ***Suggested Web Sites***

[www.cleanturn.net](http://www.cleanturn.net)  
[www.pennstateind.com](http://www.pennstateind.com)  
[www.tufftooth.com](http://www.tufftooth.com)  
[www.woodmagazine.com](http://www.woodmagazine.com),  
[www.penturners.org](http://www.penturners.org)  
[www.woodturnerscatalog.com](http://www.woodturnerscatalog.com)  
[www.WoodTurningz.com](http://www.WoodTurningz.com)  
[www.woodturningvideosplus.com](http://www.woodturningvideosplus.com)  
[www.woodweb.com](http://www.woodweb.com)  
[www.woodworkersjournal.com](http://www.woodworkersjournal.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)

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