

High Desert Turning

Calendar Year Membership: \$25 individual, \$30 family
 Contact Sheri Luikens at sheri.luikens@gmail.com 250-9410

OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, & COMMITTEES FOR 2015					
President:	Bill Mantelli	298-2603	Newsletter:	Roger Umber	249-0444
Vice President:	John Ellis	771-1773	Photographer:	Peter Frazier-Koontz	402-202-7233
Treasurer:	Sheri Luikens	250-9410	Raffle:	Jim Breeden	352-0159
Secretary:	Larry Linford	870-1601	Librarian:	Pat Beatty	710-2497
State Fair:	Jim Breeden	352-0159	Equip/Workshops:	John Ellis	771-1773
Webmaster	Mike Gardner	298-3190	Green Wood-ABQ:	Greg Hoefler	228-1606
Logistics:	Gale Greenwood	256-1379	Green Wood SF:	Eric Hester	816-509-1333
Lead Video:	Hy Tran	844-5417	Assistant Video:	Derek Roff	438-1820

NEXT REGULAR NMWT MEETING

January 3, 2015
9:00 A.M. to Noon

Bowls with Flutes – Vic Myers

Come and listen to Vic Myers explain how to turn bowls with flutes.



FUTURE PROGRAMS/ ACTIVITIES

Jan 3	BOWLS WITH FLUTES
Feb 7	TBA

PRESIDENTS CORNER



I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and I wish you all a Healthy and Prosperous New Year. A couple of weeks ago, volunteers Derek Roff, Ron Bahm, John Ellis, Hy Tran and myself from the NMWT and David Loving from the AWA completed the installation of a new audio/visual system in the WWS break room (the room where we hold our monthly meetings). I'd like to thank all of the volunteers for their help assembling and testing the system, and give a special thanks to Derek who managed the whole project from the time he selected the flat panel monitors until the last speaker wire was attached. We split the cost with the AWA. I think this new system is going to allow everyone to see and hear our presenters as well as Gale does in the "front row".
 Thanks,
 Bill

2015 MEMBERSHIP DUES

2015 Membership renewals are due!
It is that time of year again to renew your membership for next year!

- A single membership is \$25 for one year, \$45 for two and \$65 for three years
- A family membership is \$30 for one year, \$55 for two and \$80 for three years

Please see alternate treasurer, John Ellis at the January meeting to renew.

Or, you can mail your renewal check directly to Sheri, make checks payable to NMWT and send to:

Sheri Luikens
13108 Bear Dancer Trail NE
Alb. NM 87112

AUDIO / VISUAL UPGRADE

If you've ever had trouble seeing, or hearing at an AWA or NMWT meeting, the following information may bring you some relief. (No, it won't help with those guys who can't keep themselves from talking during the presentation. Maybe we need duct tape for that.) We were successful in finishing the installation and testing the upgraded sound system and the video system. The sound quality in the room is vastly improved, and seems to have more feedback resistance. In our testing, I didn't hear any of the annoying pops that have been a problem at our meetings. I hope the audio clarity and freedom from distortion continues, when we fill the room with sixty people and fifty-nine cell phones.

The sharpness of the HD camcorders combined with the new HD TVs gives us a dramatic upgrade in the video system. We tested both the camcorders used by AWA and NMWT. After sorting out the cables and ports, we got a great signal from each of the camcorders. The old CRT TVs have been replaced with new 39" flat screen LCD models,

and as before, the camcorder image is displayed on both TVs simultaneously. The image clarity and ability to present sharp details are much better than we have ever seen before at our meetings.

The room setup will be somewhat simpler than previously, with no need to move and balance the boombox above our heads each time. We may raffle off that historical boombox, which has been serving the group for more than 15 years. Of course, the setup procedure is a bit different. If you would like to be trained on equipment setup, please let me know. It's always good to have trained backups for our dedicated videographers, Dave Loving and Hy Tran. David wrote a first draft of the room setup steps, which we will refine as we get practice with the new system.

Many thanks to Bill Mantelli, David Loving, Hy Tran, Ron Bahm, and John Ellis for helping with the installation, to Darrell Filkins for his advice and counsel on equipment choices and upgrade plans, and to the Boards and all the members for your support during this upgrade process.

Derek

2015 PROGRAM PLANNING

At the December NMWT meeting a group of about 20 members took part in a facilitated discussion, leading to voting on a list of 63 topics for 2015. The "Top 12", listed below with the votes for each topic, will be targeted for presentation during the upcoming year. All of the remaining topics received five or fewer votes.

Votes	Topic
14	Bowl Turning Basics
14	Sanding & Abrasives – Materials & Techniques
13	Tool Sharpening Options
12	Hollowing Basics

New Mexico Wood Turners, Vol. 16, Issue 1

- 11 Favorite Jigs & Fixtures (by Members)
- 11 Multi-axis Turning
- 10 Carving, Piercing, Texturing
- 10 Marquetry for Turning
- 8 Basic Shapes – Design & Form
- 8 Books & Videos for Woodturning (by Members)
- 7 Goblets
- 7 Turning Green Wood

At the January meeting this Saturday, Vic Myers will address carving with his presentation on fluted bowls. In April, our visiting professional turner for the year will be Rudy Lopez from Tampa, FL. Rudy will present the combined topics of Goblets and Turning Green Wood. He was a very popular presenter at the 2014 Phoenix AAW Symposium and the 2014 Rocky Mountain Symposium, presenting both topics. Two other topics, Favorite Jigs & Fixtures and Books & Videos for Woodturning will be presented by groups of members of NMWT during the year.

If you would like to take part in any of these presentations, or are willing to do one on your own, please contact VP John Ellis, who is managing the program development for 2015. Our thanks to all members who took part in the planning process. It really helps to have member participation.

SILENT AUCTION

Silent Auction will be held during each NMWT workshop to raise money for a scholarship fund. The earnings from this fund will be used to reduce member's cost of attending hands-on sessions with professional turner-demonstrators at the discretion of the NMWT Board of Directors.

You may place any item that you think will sell in the auction. Bring only items relating to wood-working or woodturning. There will be auction sheets on a table outside the WWS meeting room. Take a sheet, write the name of the item on the sheet and put your item with the sheet. If you want the item to go for a certain amount, put your name and the minimum bid on the sheet. The Auction will be over at the end of the break. Money will be collected for items sold during the last part of the meeting. All money collected

January 3, 2015

will go into the scholarship fund. Items not sold will be returned to the owner and the owner will remove the items from Woodworkers Supply.

SCHOOLS

Santa Fe Community College
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 the 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.

DISCOUNTS & REBATES

WOODWORKER'S SUPPLY

www.woodworker.com

Meeting Day Specials for the Jan 3rd meeting: To be announced.

CRAFTS SUPPLY

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

ALBUQUERQUE HARDWOOD LUMBER CO

NMWT members receive Wholesale Prices. ABQ Lumber has hardwoods, Thermofused Melamine, plywood, veneers, and furniture grade white pine.

STOCK BUILDERS SUPPLY

www.stockbuildingsupply.com

5815 Edith Blvd NE
Albuquerque, NM 87107
(505) 345-2865

Wholesale Prices to NMWT Members

ALBUQUERQUE EXOTIC WOODS

www.abqexoticwoods.com

Jake Jacobson has a store specializing in exotic woods, located at 4224 Menaul Blvd NE.

Hours: Tuesday through Sunday, 8:30 – 6:00.
(Monday by appointment)

Contact: (505) 293-WOOD (9663)

CRANE MOUNTAIN WEAPONS

Contacts: Pat, Marti, or Joe - 271-0797. This business uses exotic woods for gunstocks and sells off-cuts as turning blanks.

LUMBER & MILLING SERVICES

Wes Thompson 505-384-2544
Doug Malmstrom 505-907-3015
Custom milling of your lumber or ours.

FOR SALE

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.

INSTANT PHOTO GALLERY

The photographer will only be available until 8:45 A.M. on the day of the meeting to take photos of the instant gallery items.

Due to Gift Exchange there was no instant gallery in December.

MENTORS

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	New # 263-6632	Basic spindle turning & tool sharpening
Dan Shipman	296-9754	Basic turning, hollowing & segmented construction
Irling Smith	865-9230	Segmented turning & design
John Ellis	771-1773	Basic turning, plates, tools & handles
Alan Becker	467-8382	Intermediate Hollowing
Ron Phillips	867-0612	Specialty tools, rests & steadies
Ralph Watts	792-4860	Advanced turning, carving, coloring, and finishing
Ron Bahm	881-8845	Pen turning

LOGO WEAR SHIRTS/ SMOCKS



NMWT OFFERS CUSTOM TURNING SMOCKS

After much looking I have finally found a domestic source for a quality turning smock. A picture accompanies this article. The smock design and material are identical to that offered by AAW. The smocks come in five colors: Royal Blue, Navy Blue,

Burgundy, Tan and Grey and in seven sizes: S, M, L, XL, XXL, XXXL, XXXXL. The smocks are sized to fit over a shirt so if you wear an L shirt you should order an L smock. AAW sells their smocks online for \$50 plus about \$9 shipping and handling plus \$3 extra for your name (added here). NMWT will charge \$50 per smock with NMWT logo plus \$3 for your name if desired. The price includes sales tax. The XXXXL size is \$3 extra and there is no price break for volume. A company in Colorado is manufacturing the smocks.

Normally, if you order and pay for an item at one meeting I can have it at the next; however, if you say please and buy me a cup of coffee, I can probably have it in two weeks.

Prices for NMWT's Shirts and Hats

- Long Sleeve Denim Shirt \$27.00
- Short Sleeve Denim Shirt \$25.00
- Polo (golf) shirt \$22.00
- Short Sleeve T-Shirt \$15.00
- Caps (baseball) \$11.00

- All items include embroidery
- Add \$2 for XXL and \$3 for XXXL
- Names Embroidered on Shirt \$3.00
- Logo on Customer Supplied Garment \$9.00
- Contact: Tom Cour: 867-8771

LIBRARY CORNER

A good selection of educational DVD's are available for check out during club meetings

NMWT WEB SITE

www.nmwoodturners.org

Please visit our web site. Webmaster Mike Gardner continues to made many additions and improvements that are very useful to club members and the public. If you have not been there lately we now have a slide show on the Home Page and the Gallery is divided into sections with slide shows.

NEWSLETTER ENTRIES

If you have tips, news, "For Sale" or newsletter entry (try to stay 250 words or less, no embedded photos ; send photos as separate attachments), Please send it to news@nmwoodturners.org for publication in a future newsletter. **Must be received by the last Saturday of the month to make the most current newsletter.**

SUGGESTED OTHER WEB SITES

Found a good WEB site? Want to share it with other club members? Questions or suggestions are welcome. Please contact the club Webmaster Mike Gardner at: webmaster@nmwoodturners.org

www.cleanturn.net, www.pennstateind.com,
www.tufftooth.com, www.woodmagazine.com
www.penturners.org, www.woodturnerscatalog.com
www.WoodTurningz.com, www.woodweb.com
www.woodturningvideosplus.com
www.sofasandsectionals.com/wood-turning-resources
www.woodworkersjournal.com

Another resource is:

www.albuquerque.craigslist.org

**New Mexico WoodTurners
c/o Roger Umber
12520 Piru Blvd. SE
Albuquerque, NM 87123**

