



# High Desert Turning

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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

### President's Message

Are You Going to Portland?

Based on a number of individual conversations I've had over the last couple of months, I know that quite a few club members are planning on attending this year's AAW Symposium in Portland, OR. The Symposium runs from June 29th to July 1st.

It would be good if those from New Mexico Wood Turners were organized enough to get together in Portland, share experiences with the various presentation, vendor products, and other exhibits. In addition, perhaps a shared table or two at the Symposium Banquet, dinner together on the first night, and having some of the spouses meet one another to go on one or

more of the special bus tours would add to the Symposium experience for all.

To help in the organization of those who are attending (or might decide to attend), would you please contact NMWT club Secretary Jim Preston, [jepreston@msn.com](mailto:jepreston@msn.com), and answer the following questions:

1. Are you planning to attend the AWA convention?
2. Will your spouse or significant other be attending with you?
3. Will you attend the Saturday evening banquet?
4. Would you be interested in joining other NMWT attending members at a table at the banquet?
5. Would you be interested in getting together with other NMWT attending members on the first evening of the convention?
6. Is your spouse or significant other planning to take one of the special bus tours? If so, which tours?

For those considering attending, but have not yet registered, the on-line process is still available until June 8th, after that

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registration will be at the door only. For comprehensive information on the Symposium in Portland, go to [www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org), and click on 2007 Symposium. The web information covers all the presenters, activities, location and accommodation directions, and more.

Also, one of the most valued Symposium features is the "Instant Gallery." Every attendee is welcome to bring up to three pieces of his/her work and place it in the special gallery that's set up for the entire three days. Last year in Louisville there were more than two thousand pieces to enjoy and the Gallery is open to all, non-registered spouses included. Be sure to grab a few of your own works and place them in the Gallery.

I had planned to attend, but due to some health complications and transportation issues I'm unfortunately going to have to pass this year. I attended the 2005 Symposium in Kansas City and the 2006 one in Louisville, and can attest that the overall experience isn't to be missed if you are at all able to attend. You won't be sorry.

John Ellis - President

#### **Anderson Ranch Arts Center**

I'd like to offer members of the American Association of Woodturners a 25% discount on tuition to any open woodturning class this summer beginning May 1, 2007.

Anderson Ranch is located near you in the Rocky Mountains, about 10 miles outside of Aspen. Our turning classes are limited to just eight students, so if you are interested in taking advantage of this discount, I'd recommend calling our registrar, Carrie Hennefeld as soon as possible. Her phone number is 970.923.3181 ext 215 and her email is

[chennefeld@andersonranch.org](mailto:chennefeld@andersonranch.org) Please tell her you are a member of the AAW and would like to take advantage of the discount-- She can then update you as to which classes still have space available.

As of this date (4/30/07) there is still at least one seat open in one week workshops taught by Alan Lacer, Bonnie Klein, Sharon Doughtie and Beth Ireland, as well as a two-week long workshop co-taught by Jack Slenz and Mark Gardner. Full course descriptions can be found on our website, [www.andersonranch.org](http://www.andersonranch.org), and everyone is welcome to call or email me with descriptions-- my contact info can be found at the bottom of this letter. Please note that the discount may not be applied retroactively, and is for wood turning classes offered this summer 2007 only, on a space-available basis.

A bit about the Ranch: Anderson Ranch is a year-round non-profit arts educational center founded about 40 years ago. The Furniture Design and Woodworking Program has been an important part of the Ranch since the beginning. About six years ago, we expanded to include woodturning in the curriculum. Our turning studio is very well equipped with a complete set of turning tools at each station, and a variety of accessories and specialty tools on hand. You don't need to bring a thing. We have nine first-class lathes, including Oneway, Vicmarc, Stubby, Poolewood and Powermatic. Our faculty includes many of the most respected wood artists working in the field today, and we limit turning classes to just eight students and provide highly qualified assistants in every class to give each student maximum personal attention.

I hope you'll join us this summer!  
Best regards,  
Susan Working

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**Would you like to be a youth Mentor?**  
Members, don't forget to visit with Ernie Romero or Les Jolley at the June 2 meeting about a weekend woodworking youth program sponsored by AWA members, Ernie Romero and friend Reggie Cheshire. Mentors are needed for program Sunday afternoons August 19 & if needed August 25 beginning with lunch at noon until 4 p.m. Ernie and Reggie need mentors to introduce and assist girls & boys, 7-15, to the art and joys of woodworking. It would be great if we could all get together for a Q & A over a cup of coffee and what's left of the donuts, after the June 2 NMWT meeting.

## 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

**June** – This month, Al Mirman will be showing us his technique for making a lidded box. Come get a great taste of the training available at Santa Fe Community College. Al is one of their instructors.

## 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 – June - Wood of the Month – Western Red Cedar and Red Heart

**Western Red Cedar** - This softwood is great for anything you plan to put outdoors as it's naturally resistant to bugs and decay. It is a light reddish brown and very easy to use. It is grown in the Pacific Northwest. The regular retail price is \$3.65 per bdft. This month we are offering a 20% discount on this beautiful wood.

**In addition**, we are also having a sale on **Redheart**. This wood varies in color from dull pink to bright red. Though it tends to fade when exposed to UV, Redheart machines and turns well. Pen Blanks and 2X2X12 turning blanks will be on sale for \$7.99.

As always, we look forward to seeing you at Woodcraft.

**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**

#### **State Fair**

Well, another month has come and gone but has that State Fair project gotten started yet? Remember, September and the State Fair is rapidly approaching. So, the question for this month is: Got Project?

### **For Sale!**

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

NEEDED: Two walking canes with crooked handles made from oak. Will pay. Contact: Richard Cash 299-2067

### **Future Meetings**

#### **2007**

Meeting Schedule for 2007

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

### **Gallery Of Turnings**



Poplar – Bill Kalb



Apricot/Maple – Jim Preston



Ebony/Red Heart-Onyx Lid – Ken Pilkington



Cider Pot – Ray Richardson



Unknown – Mike Robertson



Ambrosia Maple – Vic Meyers



Cigar Pens – Windy Dankoff



Maple Burl – Vic Meyers



Apple – Windy Dankoff



Items at the Frank Pental demonstration

## ***In the News***

### **Frank Penta Day a Success**

On Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, we had a special all-day presentation by Frank Penta, nationally known turner from South Carolina. Sixteen club members met in John Ellis' shop and were able to watch Frank "up close and personal" and share in his expertise and wit. Frank turned a multi-center platter, a small birdhouse with a multi-center base and top, and demonstrated a number of techniques. Club photographer Bill Kalb caught the whole presentation on videotape and we are planning on making a DVD for the library soon.

### ***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!

<b>Name</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Description</b>
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 New Mexico Wood Turners has 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	Nos. 1-8 (UK Publication)
Wood	Nos. 5-129 1985-2000
Woodturning	Nos.1-96 1990-2001 (UK Publication)
Woodwork	Nos. 2-37 1989-1996

Woodturning is an excellent magazine published in the UK. In es. The Collectors' A-Team, an article on turners whose work collectors like best, featured Bud Latven and Todd Hoyer. Both of these turners have pieces in the Patina Gallery in Santa Fe now.

American Woodturner is the official journal of the American Association of Woodturners. The December 1995 issue featured an article by Harry Levine on making columns beginning with stock

6"x6"x8' (our own Bill Zerby comes to mind). Also in this issue is an article on "Oil Finishes" by well-known finishing guru, Bob Flexner.

The Woodturner is another British publication. We only have eight issues, but the articles are very detailed and "how-to". The June 1992 issue featured a detailed article by Nick Davidson on the "Theory and Practice of Natural Edge Turning".

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.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)