



High Desert Turning

Calendar Year Membership: \$20 individual, \$25 family
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Upcoming Meeting

Next Regular NMWT Meeting: May 3, 2008 at Woodworkers Supply

The presenters for May are Al Mirman and Janet Smith. Al is going to tell us about chainsaw use, selection and safety. Janet will cover first aid. Their presentation is very timely considering that the club has been given several trees lately.

In my younger days Kirk Douglas was a famous movie star with a reputation as a rough character to deal with. He had a double chin that enhanced his rugged appearance...

One day, before there were chain brakes, I was cutting fire-wood with a small Stihl chainsaw. I touched the butt end of a log and the saw kicked back into my chin. The hit from the saw bar didn't hurt but I had to hold my chin together while I reached down and shut off the saw.

At the hospital the surgeon had to trim the ragged edges before he could close the wound. He couldn't deaden the flesh to be trimmed so every time he cut I would jump. That really hurt. The 54 stitches gave me the double chin but my movie career just seemed to fade awayyyy. I would suggest that we listen closely to Al and Janet.

- Larry

Special Exhibitions

Exhibition Opportunities???

As you might recall, our goals as a club include public showings of woodturning, similar to the very successful display at the Albuquerque International Sunport from November of 2006 through January of 2007. Last year we had a successful exhibit at the main Albuquerque Public Library, and just this past March we had an exhibit and sale at the Albuquerque Arts Alliance Gallery. That event was one of the most successful shows that the Arts Alliance has ever hosted.

In addition, of course, we have a very active showing every year at the New Mexico State Fair, including live demonstrations.

As you all know by now, the 2009 AAW Symposium will be held here in Albuquerque, and will further increase the public's awareness of woodturning as both a craft and a serious art form.

In the meantime, we'd like to keep the ball rolling and find other venues for public exhibitions of woodturning. We welcome your ideas and suggestions for locations in the greater Albuquerque area. Please share your thoughts with any Board member.

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Classes

Woodcraft

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

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.

Discounts & Rebates

Woodworker's Meeting Day Sale

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 MEETING DAY SALE ITEMS announced at every meeting. Also check their "Scratch and Dent" price list.

Woodcraft

Wood of the month

www.woodcraft.com

Banksia Pods:

reg. \$10.99 Sale \$7.99 **Save 25%**

Makora: ¾" x 6" x 36":

reg. 15.99 ea. Sale \$13.59 **Save 15%**

All Pen Kits: **Save 20%**

All Acrylic Pen Blanks: **Save 25%**

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

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 (800) 551-8876

For Sale!

Rikon 12 x 16 Lathe: \$50.00 turning wood included. \$150.00. Bought a bigger lathe. Call Larry Anderson at 681-8220.

Turning wood: Pieces ranging from 6" to 8" dia (approx 15" logs) in locust and globe willow (these were cut and the ends sealed this past summer). Recently got some black walnut in several 3' to 4' logs that are 8" to 10" and some apple and poplar. I'd also like to find someone to cut some logs into 4/4 stock. If interested contact Joe Matteson in Espanola at (505) 747-6698 or thebiologyguy@la-tierra.com

NMWT Denim Shirts: Ron Bahm at 881-8845 or RDBACB@juno.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

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

Future Meetings

Meeting schedule for the rest of 2008

May 3	Al Mirman: Chainsaw use, selection & safety. Janet Smith: First aid
June 7	Steve Sabo: Hot melt glue chucking
July 5	John Ellis: Overview of 2008 AAW Symposium in Richmond, Virginia (tentative)
Aug 2	Tom Rader: Wood toxins Dan Shipman: Dust collection
Sep 6	Tom Cour: Salt & pepper shakers
Oct 4	Gale Greenwood & others: Turning Christmas presents
Nov 1	Open
Dec 6	All members: Christmas gift exchange

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 of Turquoise
Ron Phillips	867-0612	Specialty tools: Rests and 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.

**The Library Corner:
Magazines – Videos – Lathes**

The New Mexico Wood Turners has a collection of magazines which have been donated to our library and which Librarian Tom Cour has at his house. A list of the magazines and issues follows:

American Woodworker Nos. 13-82
1990-1998

American Woodturner
1988-2004 (AAW Publication)

This is the official journal of the American Association of Woodturners.

Fine Woodworking Nos.54-120
1985-1996

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

Wood Nos. 1-164
1984-2005*

Woodturning Nos.1-159
1990-2006* (UK Publication)

*This is Red Hollenbach's generous donation and is an excellent magazine published in the UK. .

Woodwork Nos. 2-37
1989-1996

If you would like to check out a magazine(s) call me Tom at 867-8771 and he will have it for you at the next meeting. Or, if you want it sooner, you are welcome to drop by his house. He lives in Rio Rancho. At the present time there are no plans to publish an index of all the articles in all the magazines. (This would make a GREAT! volunteer project.) There are nine full file boxes of magazines.

Videos

(Note: \$1/item/month contribution.)

Additions to our DVD collection over the past few months include: (listed by item number)

- 246-251 Beyond Wood: Portraits of Artists
(6DVDs)
- 252 Ed Davidson: Yo-Yo Turning
- 253 Larry Fox: Creating Outlays form Inlays
- 254 Jim Preston: Using the Sorby Tool*
- 255 Gale Greenwood: Off Center turning*
- 256 Jim Jaworski: Turned Goblets*
- 257 Ron Phillips: Turning Square Platters*
- 258 Al Mirman: Skew Techniques*
- 259 Stuart Mortimer: Wet Tuning with a Difference
- 260 Allan Batty: Hand Thread Chasing
- 261 Irling Smith: Segmented Turning*
- 262 Bill Zerby: Sharpening Technique*
- 263 Trent Bosch: Vessel Within a Vessel AM Session
- 264 Trent Bosch: Vessel Within a Vessel PM Session

* NMWT members' presentation videos

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 McCartney.

News

Your Experience Counts

For April the questions was: "For the average wood turner, should you put your money into a good band saw or table saw?" Eighty-five percent said a good band saw, with the exception of making segmented bowls.

Next month: What do you think of the new midi lathes with increased horse power and longer bed length? What about vibration? Submit answers to:

larryda41@msn.com

Menaul School Project

There has been some interest in being instructors this summer. Instructors will not teach every day. You will only teach the turning projects that you want, which can be your specialty. Projects will last from one to three days. The class hours are from 1:00-3:30pm., Monday through Friday. There will be two instructors at all times.

The class dates are from June 23rd to July 11th. The school will be closed on July 4th. Pay is \$10.00/hr for each instructor. We have two voluteers at present. For more info call me at 681-8220 or e-mail me.

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WEB Sites

NMWT's web site is:

www.nmwoodturners.org

Web Sites of Interest to Turners

www.cleanturn.net

www.pennstateind.com

www.tufftooth.com

www.woodmagazine.com,

www.penturners.org

www.woodturnerscatalog.com

www.WoodTurningz.com

www.woodturningvideosplus.com

www.woodweb.com

www.woodworkersjournal.com

Found a good WEB site? Want to share it with other club members? Please send the info to the newsletter editor. Also, questions or suggestions about the web site are welcome. Please contact the club Webmaster Dave Stein at: dave@seriouslight.com

Gallery of Turnings

The Gallery has returned!!! – with special thanks to club Photographer Bill Kalb.

The Gallery for March 2008



Gale Greenwood

Ash lidded box and sycamore bowl



Irling Smith

Walnut, maple and bloodwood bowl



Don Best

Segmented bowl



Trent Bosch

Our professional presenter for March, shown with his in-progress “Vessel of Illusion”

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