



# High Desert Turning

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### Next Regular NMWT Meeting:

**May 4, 2013**  
**9:00 A.M. to Noon**

#### Dan Shipman: Belt Sander Sharpening System

Dan Shipman will narrate a slide show explaining the fabrication and use of a belt sander sharpening system that he built, based on an article in the December 2012 Journal of the American Association of Woodturners.

#### Dr. Tom Rader: Toxic Woods

Dr. Tom Rader will lecture on toxic woods, how different toxins affect our bodies, and methods to protect yourself from these toxins while turning. He'll also talk about other biological hazards in the shop, and will welcome questions.

### Future Programs/ Activities

May 04	<b>Toxic Woods / Shop Safety</b>
June 01	<b>TBA</b>
March 2014	<b>Jimmy Clewes</b>

### President's Corner

We have recently been awarded \$1500 from AAW which was for the purchase of 5 Delta lathes which we recently bought. We are very thankful that our justification presented by John Ellis was awarded. ANOTHER benefit of membership in AAW!

We are in planning stages where mentors are going to be asked to open their shops for demonstration of their expertise where NMWT members could attend. These events would be organized for time and date by the mentor and are intended for small groups. We would expect interested members to "call ahead" so that a small shop would not be overwhelmed. We are working on some guidelines for this venture. Tom Cour is taking comments from mentors and members in what we expect to be very popular events. This is NOT a replacement for the bowl or spindle turning classes, rather the idea is to promote the mentor program into further sharing of skills. This idea was from Ron Phillips and the board agreed it is an activity very worthy of working toward. Please give Tom any thinking you may have on this or call him at 867-8771. We will further advertise details in the Newsletter as it is fully developed.

Keep the chips flying!  
 Ron Bahm

## *April 06 Program Summary*

**Bill Zerby –**

### **Sharpening Tools for Woodturning**

Our club certainly has more than our share of talented turners happy to share their knowledge, skills, techniques and tips with turners of ALL skill levels. Many of them have said that you will “never know it all” and “everyone has something to share”. But Bill Zerby is unique. I don’t know how many times I have listened to him talk about sharpening - to woodturners and to wood workers - I never tire of the lectures. Each time I hear it, lecture seems brand new. I have pondered this and asked myself: am I not paying attention? Or is this a sign of the onset of dementia? The answer: none of the above. The subject is so broad and so deep and Bill has such a broad and deep knowledge and understanding of it that one simply can’t absorb a lifetime of information in one or even many short sessions.

Tool sharpening combines chemistry, physics, metallurgy, mechanics and skill (sometimes called hand/eye coordination) in such a way to produce a “scary” sharp edge. Bill has accumulated vast knowledge in all these areas and - the scary part is - he can explain it to us in words that we can understand.

When I volunteered to summarize this workshop I forgot taking notes on a Zerby lecture is a little like taking notes from a submachine gun set on full automatic. Normally summarizing a workshop is a good way to remember what is said but Bill has so much information that it is extremely difficult to assimilate it. However, this time he made it really easy. All the information is on our Website. Simple log on to the internet and type in: <http://nmwoodturners.org>; then click on “Hands On” in the tool bar at the top of the home page. This will bring up a menu. The top subject on the menu will be “Zerby on Sharpening”. Click on it and you will see a list of 16 handouts plus the outline of the April 6,2013 work shop. OR you can click on an indicated spot and get the entire collection on a single “zip” file.

I am going to go off the subject for a moment here and write about our website. Dave Stein is our webmaster. In my opinion there is no better webmaster in all of the AAW chapters. We entered the Website contest for the AAW 25th Anniversary Symposium held in St. Paul, Minnesota two years ago and won third place. We have entered again this year (this year’s Symposium is in Tampa Florida). We have a really great Website. I urge you to look up Bill Zerby’s sharpening hand outs and then browse around the website. I think you will be very pleased and proud. Dave has done a great job and he would like to have more contributions to the website from members. Articles, tips, designs anything of interest to turners of all skill levels would be welcome.

OK back to the subject at hand. Bill explained what an “edge was, that steel was a mixture of iron and carbon and sometimes with a variety of other metals such as vanadium or chromium. He also demonstrated how he sharpens turning tools including scrapers, skews and gouges, both spindle and bowl. He showed the Gale Greenwood jig for use with the Wolverine Sharpening System. (A drawing of this jig is on the NMWT website.) All of the information is on the website. Just go get it!

This was a typical Bill Zerby presentation: entertaining, FULL of valuable information, and accompanied by 16 info packed handouts at your fingertips. Thanks Bill, well done!

## *It Doesn't Take a Geek: Web Help Wanted*

NMWT's website is hungry for woodturning news and information.

And FYI, web publishing is much more than the geeky, nerdy, techie stuff. I mean, any monkey can learn to program (no offense to programmers or monkeys), but a website lives by its content -- content that is current, useful, and interesting to its audience. That means you! You are the best reporters and contributors we could want -- no web knowledge needed!

So, send in your tips, quips, ideas, gripes, thoughts, and hard earned wisdom about woodturning, woods, tools, trivia, spouse relations, or whatever. Have a story? An anecdote? Cool photos?

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Woodturning gossip? Don't keep it to yourself.  
Share it with the woodturning community.

Send it polished or send it rough. Our extensive editorial staff will get it ready for prime time. You can look at our site for ideas, but also think "out of the bowl."

Email to: [webmaster@nmwoodturners.org](mailto:webmaster@nmwoodturners.org).

-Dave Stein

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### *Silent Auction*

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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 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

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### *Schools*

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***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 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.

May 04, 2013

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### *Discounts & Rebates*

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#### ***Woodworker's Supply***

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

Meeting Day Special: Safety Equipment located on pages 406 and 407 in the big catalog.

#### ***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

#### ***Albuquerque Hardwood Lumber Co***

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

#### ***Oneway Manufacturing***

[www.oneway.on.ca](http://www.oneway.on.ca)

Any member who may want to receive sales email direct from Oneway, please provide Alan Becker 505-467-8382 [alan-becker@comcast.net](mailto:alan-becker@comcast.net) with your name and email address.

Check their web site [oneway.on.ca](http://www.oneway.on.ca) for products.

#### ***Albuquerque Exotic Woods***

**Jake Jacobson**

Jake Jacobson has a store specializing in exotic woods. It's located at 2801 Eubank, NE #F, Albuquerque, 87112. They are in the Eastdale Shopping Center, sw. corner of Candelaria & Eubank, between H&R Block and Pudge Brothers Pizza. Look for the sign in the window.

Hours are Tuesday through Sunday, 8:30 – 6:00.  
(Monday by appointment)  
Call (505) 293-WOOD (9663)

#### ***Crane Mountain Weapons***

Contacts are: 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**



**Bob Stauch – Cottonwood Dyed HF**



**Don Best – Marple Burl / Yellowheart Vase**



**Jim Breeden - Mesquite Root HF**



**Jim Breeden – Ponderosa Pine Bowl**



**Ken Pilkington – Mesquite Bowl**



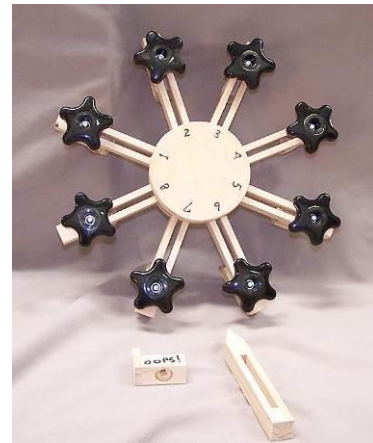
Ralph Watts – Elm Vase



Ron Bahm – Butternut Bowl



Ron Bahm – Bloodwood Metal Leaf Pen



Ron Barnes – Segment Bowl Sanding Jig



Ron Bahm – Metal Leafed Maple Bowl



Ron Phillips – Locust Lidded Vase



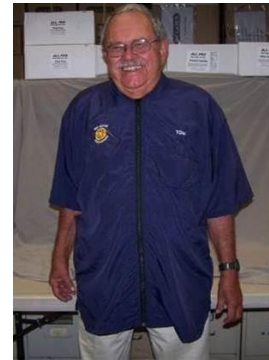
Ralph Watts – Elm / Ash Stool

*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	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
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 (new)	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**

***New Policy: Loaning Lathes to NMWT Members***

With the recent purchase of new Delta lathes and sale of older Jet and Delta lathes, the Board clarified the policy on loaning lathes to members. One Jet lathe was retained for loan to members, and more may be obtained as needed. The new Delta lathes will be used exclusively for demonstrations, classes, and workshops.

**Summary of New Policy**

1. Borrowers must be NMWT members in good standing.
2. The Equipment Coordinator (currently John Ellis) is in charge of access, maintenance, and scheduling.
3. Borrowers must pick up and return lathes to storage.
4. Loans will be for two months or less, but may be extended if not requested by another member.
5. Loans will be on a "first come" basis with waiting list, if necessary.
6. A list of all items loaned and Loan Conditions must be signed by borrowers at pick-up.
7. Borrowers are responsible for any damages or loss of borrowed items.
8. Borrowing members must seek instruction for using the lathes safely.
9. NMWT assumes no liability related to the use of the lathes.

A copy of the full policy may be obtained from the Equipment Coordinator.

***New Policy: Loaning Lathes to Other AAW-Affiliated Chapters***

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The Board decided that the Delta lathes purchased in January may be loaned to other AAW-affiliated chapters and adopted a policy to facilitate that process.

**Summary of New Policy**

1. Use of the loaned equipment is limited to chapter workshops, demonstrations, or classes, but may not be for personal use.
2. Equipment will not be loaned when needed by NMWT.
3. Loaned equipment must be transported to and from NMWT storage by the borrowing chapter.
4. A list of all items loaned and Loan Conditions must be signed by the borrower when picked up.
5. Damages beyond normal wear and tear are the responsibility of the borrowing club.
6. A "Usage Fee" to offset normal wear and tear of \$15 per calendar day per lathe will be charged to the borrowing chapter and must be paid at pick up.
7. The NMWT Equipment Coordinator is responsible for scheduling, arranging for pickup and return, and collection of Usage Fees.

A copy of the full policy may be obtained from the Equipment Coordinator.

***Library Corner***

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

***Web Sites***

**NMWT**

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

Please visit our web site. Webmaster Dave Stein 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.

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## *Suggested Web Sites*

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Found a good WEB site? Want to share it with other club members? Questions or suggestions are welcome. Please contact the club Webmaster Dave Stein at:

[webmaster@nmwoodturners.org](mailto:webmaster@nmwoodturners.org)

[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)

<http://www.sofasandsectionals.com/woodturning-resources>

[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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