

High Desert Turning

Calendar Year Membership: \$25 individual, \$30 family
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NEXT REGULAR NMWT MEETING

November 1, 2014
9:00 A.M. to Noon

Jake Jacobson - All about Blanks

Come and listen to Jake Jacobson teach everything you'll need to know about repairing, stabilizing, and preparing turning blanks.

FUTURE PROGRAMS/ ACTIVITIES

Nov 1	JAKE JACOBSON –STABILIZING, REPAIRING BLANKS
Dec 6	GIFT EXCHANGE / PROGRAM PLANNING

PRESIDENTS CORNER

**Join the world's authority on woodturning:
 The American Association of
 Woodturners.**



I joined the AAW about a year after I started turning, and I think it's the second best bargain a wood turner can find anywhere. It's second only to the New Mexico WoodTurners. There are a host of benefits to belonging to the AAW, as explained in the next paragraph from the AAW.

As an AAW Member, you'll receive six issues of *American Woodturner* journal annually and get free digital downloads of *Woodturning Fundamentals*, an educational series that offers project tips, videos and information on techniques to advance basic turning skills. Plus, you'll have members-only access to the single largest collection of woodturning information and resources anywhere in the world, which includes *Lets Go for a Spin*, a lesson plan series that

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New Mexico Wood Turners, Vol. 15, Issue 11 provides students with a well-rounded set of turning skills – more than \$120 value! What’s more, you’ll be able to tap into the expertise of more than 15,000 members globally who share your passion for woodturning.

You can visit online at www.woodturner.org to check-out the AAW website.

Buy the way, Sheri will be at the meeting on Saturday, ready, willing and able to collect membership dues for 2015 and beyond.

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 treasurer, Sheri Luikens at the November or December meetings 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

NOTICE OF ANNUAL BOARD OFFICER ELECTIONS

In accordance with our By-laws, we will hold a brief general membership meeting at the beginning of the November club meeting this coming Saturday, November 1. The Board has approved the Nominating Committee’s slate of officers for 2015, which are as follows:

- President – Bill Mantelli (incumbent)
 Vice President – John Ellis (this position is also the Program Manager)
 Secretary – Larry Linford (incumbent)

Treasurer – Sheri Luikens (incumbent)
Nomination will also be accepted from the floor at the beginning of the general meeting.

All other Board positions are volunteers/appointed by the Board during the year and/or when there becomes and opening. All current non-elected Board members have agreed to continue in their respective positions. Although there are no active openings, all Board members would welcome help in any of the functional areas, so if you have interest and are willing to give even a small amount of time to help with NMWT operations, please contact the Board member in the area of interest you have. Board members are listed at the top of every Newsletter.

OCTOBER 4 PROGRAM SUMMARY

RALPH WATTS – Chucking

If you missed, nationally collect and all around nice guy, Ralph Watts demonstrate “Chucking and Holding Odd Shaped Objects”, get the DVD. Ralph discussed a cornucopia of techniques you can use, and for the most part, make yourself.

Ralph’s most important recommendation, buy a good chuck. Cheap chucks will only let you down. Spend the money up front and never worry about losing your grip. Ralph prefers a “Tommy Bar” style of chuck where you use to pins to tighten the chuck, instead of an allen key or toothed key. With the spindle lock, Ralph can hold the work with one hand and use the leverage of the pin to tighten the chuck.

Ralph’s second recommendation is to visit Russ Fairfield’s Corner on Wood Central (<http://www.woodcentral.com/russ/russ3.shtml>). You will find a treasure trove of information to help.

To rough out his blank, Ralph starts between centers using a spur drive center. It is best to

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remove the bark and get down to bare wood so your spur drive can get a good purchase on the wood. Gale Greenwood recommended using a forstner bit to remove the bark and get to good wood.

Ralph next discussed types of jaws to use for best grip. Firstly, your tenon should be set-up so that your jaws are nearly closed for dry wood, and as big as your chucks will hold. Ralph likes to use dovetailed jaws for dry wood and ribbed jaws for greenwood. One benefit to starting between centers is the ability to evaluate the grain. Once you can see what your wood is doing, you can adjust the centers to take advantage of the grain.

When Ralph uses a woodworm screw, Ralph ensures that the piece is perfectly perpendicular to the piece. Woodworms are very good green wood, but Ralph cautions that the screw will leave a deep hole that must be accounted for. Ralph recommended using a glue block to minimize waste.

Next Ralph discussed faceplate turning. Ralph cited Lyle Jamieson's thoughts on faceplates. The size of the faceplate should match the size of your work. If you are turning end grain, use long screws; face grain use shorter screws. If you are turning large pieces, use good high quality plywood, like marine grade plywood, to make a larger surface to attach you blank to.

Ralph is a big fan of jam chucks and they run the gamut from elaborate chucks to something as simple as the face of you chuck jaws. One option, when rough pieces, is to open your chuck jaws to an appropriate size, and jam your blank against the chuck using the tale spindle to apply pressure.

If you are going to use jam chucks to finish off your pieces, you're going to want to buy a good, metal contour gauge. This will enable you to match your jam chuck to the contour of your piece. Ralph says the plastic contour

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chuck doesn't do as well as the metal, so spend a little extra and buy quality. There are a huge variety of jam chucks Ralph uses. Ralph showed a wooden "collet chuck" he made for holding ladles, recommended cutting a groove in a plywood face plate to hold the rim of bowls for finishing the bottom and finally, never throw away a jam chuck. They can be used over and over again. As for protective covers for jam chucks, Ralph feel roughed up leather is about as good as it gets.

Ralph briefly discussed vacuum chucks saying he wasn't a huge fan of them as they take too long to set up and jam chucks are easier to use.

Often, to keep pieces from slipping, Ralph will use double stick tape to hold pieces. Ralph said he has not used the wood workers tape, simply the tape he bought from one of the home improvement stores. Other options for holding work are stretch-wrap and wraps of tape.

Finally, if you plan to turn tall pieces, you will want to look into a steady rest. Steady rests support longer pieces helping to eliminate vibration.

Ralph gave a great presentation for turners at every skill level. Thanks for the hard work you put in for this presentation, Ralph!

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

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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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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.

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.

LUMBER & MILLING SERVICES

Wes Thompson 505-384-2544

Doug Malmstrom 505-907-3015

Custom milling of your lumber or ours.

DISCOUNTS & REBATES

WOODWORKER'S SUPPLY

www.woodworker.com

Meeting Day Specials for the Nov. 1st meeting: are
Pentacryl, Polycryl, epoxies, and CA glue.

Because they are located on so many different pages
in the catalog, the specials are listed by name at the
WWS counter.

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

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.

FOR SALE - Nova 1624-44 lathe. Swivel head, 1 1/2



hp, 16" swing, Speed range: 215-3600, lightly used.
Extras include 20" bed extension (\$200) that allows
spindles up to 44", two ballast shelves, and headstock
handwheel (\$30). Technical details available at:

<http://www.woodcraft.com/Product/147595/Nova-1624-44-Wood-Lathe.aspx>

\$ 850 - Call Phil at [505 310 4884](tel:5053104884)

FOR SALE- FREE



Jeff Miller, an NMWT member who recently moved to Tennessee, has a metal storage cabinet he is willing to give free to any member interested. He has been using it for wood storage. The cabinet measures 84" high x 36" wide x 24" deep. He is willing to bring it to the next meeting, or if interested please call Jeff at 299-0785 and arrange pick-up.



Jim Breeden - Buckeye Bowl

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.



Jim Breeden - Walnut Burl Bowl



Taz Bramlette - White Oak Burl Vessel



Jim Breeden finished, Andy Cole cored - Natural Edge Hawaiian Milo Platter



Ron Bahm - Bubinga, Maple, Baltic Plywood



Jim Preston - African Blackwood Vase

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
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

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