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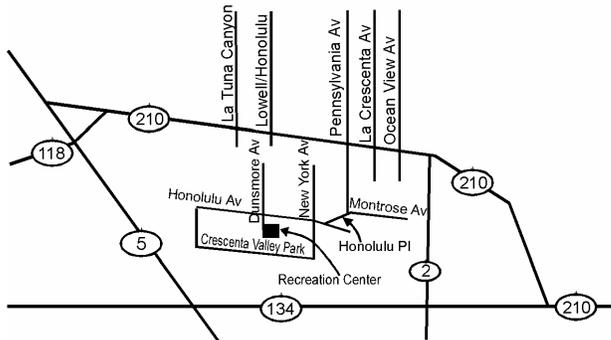
NEXT MEETING

September 11, 2005

Sunday September 11, 2005
2:00 p.m. Sharp

HOW TO FIND US

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SUNDAY MEETINGS

Meetings will usually consist of announcements, a feature presentation, a **Challenge, Show & Tell** and a **wood raffle**.

September 11 –
Presenter – Dave Ellis
Dust Masks and Dust Control

Challenge – Natural edge vessels

President's Message



Jim O'Connor

The presentation at the August meeting was shop tips and I think it is something we should do every year because of all the great ideas you can get from it. There were about seven members that presented and

some had a multiple ideas to share.

Bill Haskell gave a report on the AAW symposium that was held this July in Overland Park, Kansas. It was a big success and what stood out was the push by the AAW to educate our youth in the art of woodturning. Kids were admitted free and lathes and equipment were donated so that classes given by the professionals could be held on sight for the kids. I would like to see our group get involved with the kids in the community and I will be looking into it.

Craft Supplies is having a 15% off promotion on drive centers, revolving centers and drill chucks from August 1-31. Give the promotion number is 05SPAAW8 when ordering the above items.

The Arizona Woodturners Association will have a regional symposium "Desert Woodturning Roundup" next February 18th and 19th 2006 in Mesa, Arizona. See the following web site for a list of world class demonstrators and for registration information.

www.desertwoodturningroundup.com

It is time to start thinking about new club officers for next year. Pete Carta and I will both be stepping down so the office of President and Vice

President need to be filled. The Secretary, Treasurer, and Librarians are remaining so there will be good continuity for the future. The president's job is pretty easy with the main responsibility of running the meetings and writing the presidents message for the newsletter. The club pretty much guides itself and there are plenty of people with experience to help in this area. I have enjoyed being president because I have gotten to know many people and of course became more involved the club which was good for me.

The vice president has the job of getting presenters for the Sunday meetings and demonstrators (professional and local) for our Saturday demonstrations. It's a good chance to make good contacts with the pro's and our local presenters. These positions need to be filled at the October meeting so it is up to everyone to start thinking of who will fill them. If you have any questions about either position or would like to recommend someone or volunteer give me a call. And remember that Pete and I will be available to provide any guidance that the new officers need.

PRESENTATION

Our presentation this month was shop tips. We have some brilliant turners who devise better ways to do anything. And while we shared tips, lots of us were taking notes. There's so much to learn! We found out about using a shaft spacer on the tool rest to maintain the height of the turning tool and to protect from catching in the wood. And we learned how to make a tool rest from bolts -- it was smooth and perfect. Measuring wall thickness is important for all of us, and Don Comer showed us how he does it with "gadgets" (his word) for measuring different contours. Depth is important, and we saw a great depth gauge, too. Many of us make long stemmed goblets and it's important to know how to hold the top steady while working on the stem. We learned a lot about that. Jim explained his method of turning a perfect sphere. Did you know that lacquer finish spray can "pebble" in cold weather? Put the can in a pan of hot water and the problem is solved. One of the best ways to learn is from each other, as we demonstrate each time we share ideas.

Show and Tell Challenge

Our challenge last month was to make candle holders.

The winners were:
Novice - Al Falck
Intermediate - Joe Larson
Advanced - Jim O'Connor
Jim's winning candle holders are pictured to the right.



For Show and Tell, Ralph Otte made a beautiful segmented bowl out of birch from a raffle log. His work is very exact and the shape is perfect.



Al Falck was inspired by Alberto's presentation, and he showed his first two segmented vases. Although he said they aren't perfect, they certainly look great. Al is well on his way to making very impressive segmented work.



Michael Kane showed two pieces. One he titled "Bloody Crude" which is a political statement. The bowl looks like a big drop of blood landing in crude oil. And Michael showed a pierced hollow vessel



which he titled "Rosebud." The rim is just beautiful.

Bill Haskell brought #3 in his series. This is his "Purple Nautilus", made of purple heart with acid bathed color enhancement. Absolutely beautiful.



Jerry Davis used Brazilian pepper to make a lovely bowl. It is quite interesting as half of the piece has grain and the other half does not. That's just how the wood is, but what a great bowl it makes!



Jim O'Connor and Steve Dunn are still making hats. Did you know that there are different styles of cowboy hats? Jim showed a range rider hat and a trail boss hat. Steve showed a replacement for the hat he sold off his head. These are so impressive and both Steve and Jim are masters of making them.

Joe Devinity showed a segmented bowl made of walnut veneer plywood. It is perfectly laminated and very impressive.



Demonstration



Art Fitzpatrick gave an excellent demonstration July 16 on hollow vessels. There were about 30 members present and everyone helped in the set-up and tear-down which made the event fun. Art turned a hollow vessel and also talked about the different brand name tools to use in the process. His presentation was very informative and because of Art's relaxed forum there were many questions and exchanges of ideas. Art has given demonstrations for our club in the past and we hope he will continue to do so in the future. Thanks Art and everyone that made the day possible.

Bill Haskell attended the 2005 AAW symposium in Overland, Kansas, and wrote the following report. At this symposium there was a real emphasis on involving youth in woodturning, and it appears that this was very successful. Any young person accompanied by an adult was admitted free, and there were just over 50. The youth were instructed in special classes for them with 20 lathes and adults to aid them. This gave these young people, ages ranging from 8 to 17, a real opportunity to experience and learn some basic woodturning. At the end of the two days of classes, the 20 lathes, with 4-jaw chucks, a complete set of turning tools and a face shield were raffled off to the young students. How lucky were the 20 winners! Another highlight was the raising of \$70,000 at the auction for grants and scholarships. Of course, there were 15 classrooms offering outstanding demonstrations and informative demonstrators 11 times over the three days of the symposium, an awesome Instant Gallery with hundreds of pieces symposium attendees brought to share, and a trade show with woodturning vendors selling their wares. As usual, the symposium is so jam packed with things to do, see, and learn that the experience tends to be overwhelming, but more than worthwhile. The next symposium will be held in Louisville in June of 2006. It's time to plan ahead!

Presentation: Jim Givens
 Finishing-panel discussion
 Challenge: Best surface decoration
February 12, '06 Presentation:
 Challenge: Pair of knitting Needles

Demonstrations

- Aug. 20** Bill Haskell - Piercing and carving thin walled hollow vessels
- Sept. 3** Stuart Mortimer
Spirals, Barley twists, Hollowforms
- Oct. 22** Bob DeVoe
"Hands on" sharpening workshop at Bob's shop
- Jan. 14, '06** James Santhon
Platters and Goblets
- Mar. 4, '06** Alan Lacer
Skews, hook tools, and everything related

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2005 CALENDAR

- Meetings:**
- August 14** Presentation: All - Shop-made jigs and fixtures
Challenge: Candle holder(s)
 - September 11** Presentation: Dave Ellis
Dust masks and dust control
Challenge: Natural edge vessel
 - October 9** Presentation: All – Spinning top contest
Chairperson Carey Caires
Challenge: Spinning top contest
 - November 13** Presentation: Ray Ford
Carving, burning, coloring, etc
Challenge: Ornaments
 - December 11** No presentation or challenge,
Holiday Party and Auction
 - January 9, '06** Committee Selection