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FRWT NEWS

Front Range Woodturners

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

NEXT MEETING MAY 5, 1998

For those of you who missed the April meeting, here's what's happening: The video equipment is quite an asset! Even those in the back row could see what was going on. Thanks to all of you who donated to this cause and a special thanks to the members of the committee who got the equipment together. I wish I could thank the anonymous donor too, but not only is he anonymous, we don't know who he is, either!

This purchase dented the treasury pretty good too. Not all members donated to the equipment purchase so the treasury made up the balance. If you missed the chance to donate, see Henry at the next meeting and he will add the donation to the general funds. If you haven't paid your dues yet you probably aren't reading this newsletter, but please pay up if you can.

Would all of you please check your video and book library and make sure you don't still have some of the club's stuff. There are several pieces that have been missing for months and we need to get them back into circulation. Also please remember that we are supposed to keep them only from one meeting to the next, not for several months. If you take them out and can't make the next meeting, call John Montague (303-794-1679) and SHIP OR DELIVER them to him before the next meeting.

Thanks to all of you who donated wood to the raffles over time. The club has benefited greatly from your generosity and some of us have been lucky enough to get some nice wood to turn.

Gene Kircus did some interesting demos at the April meeting. He kicked it off with a short demo and hands on with the termite tool, followed by a lamp making demonstration. Gene showed us how to use the lamp auger to drill the hole for the lamp wiring and hardware and reports that this type of drilling wanders much less than a regular twist drill in this application. Gene also revealed his sources for lamp parts and hardware. Added to all of this was a discussion on design and shape. Gene and Peggy also floored us when they announced their intent to move to Texas (where ever THAT is!) provided that they can get their passports and exit visas in order. Gene and Peggy, you will be missed!

Nick Kuhlmann of Crystal Valley Stone (970-947-0006) brought some of his alabaster to the meeting to demonstrate it's suitability for turning and carving. He also donated several pieces to our raffle and had material available for sale. Apparently this material can be worked with scrapers and sandpaper and is quite good looking when polished. Contact him if you missed this opportunity. I hope to report here on turning this material soon.

Meetings are held at Schlosser Tool and Machinery--301 Bryant. Denver 922-8244

As they are kind enough to allow us to use this facility, I am sure they would appreciate your patronage.

SUBMISSIONS WELCOME!

If you have tips or ideas of woodturning interest, please send them to me. If you would like to have your newsletter sent via E-mail, please contact me. If you need money, please don't contact me.

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EVENTS

May 28-30 Provo Symposium
June 12-14 AAW Symposium Akron, OH
October 24 Fort Collins club (Rocky Mountain) mini symposium

The Rocky Mountain Woodturners meet every 3rd Thursday @ CSU Ft. Collins, RM 105, Industrial Sciences Bldg
970-663-7887

The Pikes Peak Woodturners meet the last Thursday @ Woodcraft Supply, Colo Spgs, N. Academy & Vickers
719-597-9718

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Delta Lathe with stand, Model 46-541P, Variable speed, 12" over bed,
16" over gap, 3/4 hp. Excellent condition. \$900
Gene Kircus (303) 681-2087

HELP!!!

Turners who offer their time as mentors, teachers, or consultants. If you want to be added to this list, just let me know.

Pete Alderson	934-5168 (lace bobbins only)
Pete Holtus	354-5365
David Nittmann	(970) 493-0851
Les Stern	744-2159
Gene Wentworth	758-4173

FRONT RANGE WOODTURNERS--OFFICERS

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OFFICERS-ELECT

These are the people who have volunteered to fill an office of the club for 1999. Please let Abe know if you want to add your name to the list. BTW, we really need people to volunteer to help with program coordinator. If you know a lot of turners or get around to the national meetings or just want to help, please volunteer for this important position. Thanks.

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Program Coordinator-- ?
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