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PRESIDENT'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

PLEASE make sure
that all content for
next months newsletter
reaches me by the 13th
of September!

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Thanks!

NEXT MEETING:

When:

Saturday
August 23d—10 AM

Where:

Hopkins Demonstration
Forest

Event:

Potluck/Picnic

Topic:

Tree cutting + Tree
Farm Tour
(more details in VP
message)



- NORMIES' vs. NEANDERTHALS -

A few years back when I was very involved with woodworking, especially cabinetry, there was a split between two 'camps' of thought in the woodworking world: the Normies and the Neanderthals. This split basically came down to each individuals choice of tools. The poster child for the Normies is that guy on channel 10 (Public Broadcasting channel) that has every power tool know to man and never breaks a sweat while he is working. In the Neanderthal corner the banner is carried by the other guy on channel 10 (Public Broadcasting channel) whose show precedes the Normie master. This is the guy that isn't afraid to break out in a sweat on TV and doesn't stop the cameras rolling when he does a little blood letting.

As it is with the Normies and Neanderthals in woodworking, so also it is, so I understand, with another camp that wants to distance itself from the world of general woodturning (and the AAW). This group feels that the AAW in general is geared mostly to artistic turning and the new group has the goal of what they call 'conventional woodturning'. They want only the grain of the wood and the turners ability with the tools available to show in their work. Anything added after the fact such as color or other augmentation in 'verboden'. For want of a better name for the other category of turner let me call it an 'open' style of turning where augmentation is allowed.

So which side do you come down on...conventional or open?

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VICE PRESIDENTS CORNER

The annual Cascade Picnic will be held on Saturday, August 23rd at [Hopkins Demonstration Forest](#) in Oregon City, starting at 10 am and run until sundown. We will have tree cutting demonstrations, instruction on how to mill logs, tours of the forest complete with tour bus, barbeque, turning demonstration, and wood raffle all in a beautiful secluded wooded setting.

Bring the whole family! There's fun for everyone. The site is like campgrounds with trails, a creek, ponds, wildlife, and a gorgeous view. This will be potluck so bring your favorite dish to share and Cascade will provide the barbeque and drinks.

Follow directions on the Hopkins web site and contact Doug Brown if you need a ride or are willing to car-pool.

Doug Brown
Vice President

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A GOOD READ

I just spent a few hours looking through a newly published book: "New Masters of Woodturning", by Tony Martin and Kevin Wallace. Most of the people in there are ones we've heard of because they are active in AAW. We've seen pictures of their work in the AAW Journal and at symposiums. What I most liked about the book are the articles about people with no association with AAW... so, their work was completely new to me. The work of one turner from France, Marc Ricourt, so inspired me that I've done two pieces based on his work and I'm working on the third.

Most of the turners do lots of embellishing after they are done turning - carving mostly and lots of texturing. Ron Layport and Ron Fleming are two that fit in this category; others include Jacques Vesery, Mike Lee, and Bin Pho.

The photography is absolutely top quality and the "How he/she does it" sections with some of the artists are excellent.

I highly recommend this book to anyone looking for new ideas who, to use the trite, "want to take their work to the next level".

Howard Borer

LATHE FOR SALE

Virgil Wells is upgrading to another lathe and wants to get rid of his current lathe. He has a three-year-old Delta 1642 model in great condition. It has a variable speed electric drive and can turn both forward and reverse. It has a 16" swing and is 42" long. If interested, contact Virgil at 503-939-2801.

DALE'S NOTES

No Open Shop because of Picnic!

MONTHLY CHALLENGE

This month our challenge is to create a multi-axis piece... that is, create a multi-axis piece better than everyone else. And, NO, a pen barrel that went oval from a bent mandrel does NOT count. There are some good multi-axis turners in this club that set the bar pretty high, but there are also an infinite number of techniques that can be employed in multi-axis turning... these monthly challenges are as much a challenge of creativity as a challenge of skill. So, let's get some wood wobblin' on our lathes and bring the results to our picnic this Saturday!

MEETING SCHEDULE '08

Demonstrator	Challenge
August 23rd: Picnic @ Hylawoods (demo TBD)	Multi-axis
September 18th: Wood auction	-none-
October 13th*: Michael Mocho - On the lathe texturing	Jewelry
November 6th*: Johannes Michelsen - Turned hat	Ornaments
December: Done for the year - Merry Christmas	-none-

QUICK LINKS:

NEW LINK The Burl House: www.theburlhouse.com

AAW (Main page): www.woodturner.org

AAW Forum: www.woodturner.org/vbforum/index.php?

Saw Mill Creek Forum: www.sawmillcreek.org

Woodturning Online: www.woodturningonline.com/

Turning Projects/Tips: www.newwoodworker.com/turning/

Pacific NW Woodturning Guild: www.woodturningguild.com

The Turner's Shop: www.theturnersshop.com/

Wood Net Forums: woodnet.net/forums/

Flying Curls: www.flyingcurls.com

Arizona Silhouette: www.arizonasilhouette.com

Hut Products: www.hutproducts.com

Berea Hardwoods: www.bereahardwoods.com

Pen Making Supplies: www.penmakingsupplies.com

The Pen Shop: www.thepenshop.net

Pen Turner's Forum: www.penturners.org

Pen Maker's Guild: www.penmakersguild.com

Russ Fairfield: www.woodturnerruss.com

Freedom Pens: www.freedompens.org

CWT MENTORS

These members are available for you to contact if you need help in different areas of woodturning (inside the parentheses it tells each of the areas in which each mentor specializes). If you need help, contact one of the following mentors. If you would like to be a mentor yourself and be contacted with woodturning related questions e-mail me at jonathon.c@comcast.net and I will add you to the list!

Randy Rhine:

rrrhine@comcast.net (Ornamental and Segmented turning)

Phil Lapp:

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Doug Brown:

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Andy Johnson-Laird:

andy@jli.com (Help for new turners with tools, Finishes and other choices)

Kathleen Duncan:

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Howard Borer:

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Jonathon Spafford:

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