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NEXT MEETING JUNE 27 at 7:00PM

Meeting will Feature Mike Wallace

3003 Shamrock Ft. Worth, TX THIS MONTH'S TURN-OUT WILL BE SATURDAY JUNE 29

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June Demonstrator---Mike Wallace Duplication on the Lathe

At June's demo we will investigate the art of duplication on the /lathe/lathe/lathe. Sorry about that, I couldn't resist! We will be showing some of the ways duplication can be achieved with minimal effort for those that have the need to replace that stair spindle your nephew kicked out or that chair leg that you broke as you leaned back too far! We will show some basic techniques as well as a couple of advanced ways to achieve success with this project.

By Mike Wallace

About the Demonstrator

Mike Wallace (our current President) has been turning since 1996 on a regular basis. His first turning was a bowl he turned in 1973. It took 23 years to get the courage needed to approach the lathe again (just kidding). His second piece was turned in 1996 at Larry Roberts' shop during a picnic for WNT! He now instructs part time at Woodcraft on turning and other wood related issues.

New Supply of Anchorseal

Another supply of Anchorseal has arrived. The 55 gallon barrel will be available at the Thursday meeting and again on Saturday the 29th. The cost is \$7.00 per gallon and you will need to bring a container!

May Raffle Winners

The May raffle was a huge success in both, number of tickets sold and number of items raffled. The bowl turned by James Johnson was won by Larry Genender. His effort proved that if you have a large number of tickets your odds of winning are improved. We again thank Bill Shadle for the 21 pieces of wood. The winners of wood were; Larry Genender, Charles Rudolph, Dale Malone, Dwain Haines, Keith Harper, Aaron Levy, Jim Clark, Phil Joines, Steve Ott, Don Hudkins, John Horn, Ken Rodgers, Walter Barret, Fred Denke and Ken Philips. Please note some of these were multiple winners.

Looking for Help

Phil Joines is wanting to put together a display of the evolution of turning tools. If anyone has suggestions for sources of pictures of old lathes let Phil know. Also if you know of anyplace to buy old tools Phil needs that information. He would like to start as far back as possible. Any help in getting this project started would be appreciated. Phil can be contacted by email at pjoines@gte.net or by phone at 214-704-2360

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Ramblings

The Good Ol' Days are often described as days in the past. Why can't they be days in the future? I have often wondered why we humans resist change. And why some want to live in the past. I have several things about my past that I look back at with pride. But I also try to understand what those events did to shape my future.

Our Club is a group of people with extremely varied talents and abilities. Those traits were probably shaped by their past experiences. And we can be glad that they are willing to share those experiences and more importantly the knowledge gained from those experiences with us. We have all learned numerous lessons in life without having to personally experiencing the negative part of the lesson, just by trusting someone else's judgment.

I of course, still have a lot to learn. I enjoy learning almost as much as I enjoy teaching. I hope I never tire of learning. Every time I teach a class, I have learned something from one of the attendees. You have to be open to it. It is with some of this understanding that we (your Board of Directors), would like to embark on a new mission for our Club.

Last month we talked about woodturning being a sport. This month we are looking for a group of coaches. A coaching staff, if you will allow the analogy. Like the "adopt a novice", we have had in years past, the coaches will assist in the learning process. In the case of woodturning, most of the learning happens in front of or at least around a lathe. Some of the less experienced turners have an inadequate lathe, or a lathe that need updating. Some of our coaches might have the newest, most capable lathes. The same goes with tools, ideas, techniques, etc.

What we need to start the ball rolling (wooden ball, of course), are a few coaches. If you are interested in being on the coaching staff, let us know. I think we should have 10 or 12 turners from our club that are willing to share their knowledge with the newer turners. We will then collect the information relating to who, what, when and where. We will introduce the coaching staff to the Club and begin learning. Again.

Bill Elliott Resigned

We have had a vacancy created on the Board of Directors. The by-laws provide for a vote to be taken on the replacement at a regular meeting. We are working to try to fill this vacancy immediately, to minimize disruption in the work flow. If you know of someone that is interested in serving on the Board please contact Mike Wallace ASAP at 817-882-9922. Below is the letter of resignation from Bill Elliott. Board members,

It is with sadness and reservation that I tender my resignation as vice president of the club. There have been recent changes for me at work involving a promotion and corresponding increased responsibility. At this stage of my career, the number of hours which is required of me has grown significantly. As such, my ability to devote time towards the club has diminished. I hope y'all understand my circumstance and know that I am resigning to benefit the club.

Best regards, Bill Elliott

Email Name Service

As a service to the club members, you can now have custom email names such as "mikewallace@woodturnersofnorthtexas.org". I know, it is a little long, but no one will wonder what you are interested in! And since this is new, there is room for a little creativity, such as "asthewoodturns@woodturnersofnorthtexas.org"! Let's have a little fun and come up with some great names. The domain name "woodturnersofnorthtexas.org has been purchased on behalf of the club and is owned by the club. The Board of directors will soon have generic names such as president@woodturnersofnorthtexas.org. These names will carry from year to year without changes, but will be forwarded to the people holding those offices.

The way this service works is as follows: The email will be automatically forwarded to your existing email account. This can be your ISP service such as AOL or MSN, or it can be your web-based email such as Hotmail or Yahoo. But you must have an email account where the mail can be forwarded. If you want to request a name, send an email to (email4me@woodturnersofnorthtexas.org). Include your requested email name and the email account your mail will be forwarded to.

Bringbacks Revisited----A New Approach

At our May meeting, the bringback piece to be raffled was a fine piece by James Johnson, our April demonstrator who had won the raffle when he visited us. The club sold \$170 in raffle tickets, about double what we usually sell, undoubtedly because the piece was so desirable. I will unashamedly admit that I really wanted the piece, bought 20 tickets, and was lucky enough to win it. When I communicated with James, he informed me that his club in Kerrville regularly had several bringbacks each month and this was a significant activity of the Hill Country Woodturners. Your Board has had a long discussion about the status of the bringback raffle.

Some of us don't buy tickets because they don't feel they are able to make a turning "good enough" to bring back. next month. The solution is for the club to provide a program of help to those wanting to improve the quality of their turnings, so they won't be reluctant to enter the raffle.

To start things off, I will make <u>two</u> bringback pieces for the June raffle. I hope they will stimulate a little more activity. In addition, John Horn will lead a "coaching staff" to assist those who need help in making a turning that their peers will want to have and therefore buy tickets and produce good pieces for the next month etc. As activities chairman, I will follow up with the raffle winners each month and make sure that he/she has the help they might need to make a nice bringback piece.

The net result will be to have more turners making nice turnings that get into the hands of their peers. And while the club can use the increased ticket revenue, this activity is not intended as a fund-raiser. Please let your Board know what you think of this initiative.

By Larry Genender

Schedule of Coming Events

June 27 WNT Monthly Meeting 7:00 PM

3003 Shamrock Ft. Worth, TX

Program Mike Wallace

June 29 Saturday Hands on 9:00 AM to 12 Noon

3003 Shamrock Ft worth, TX

June 28th, 29th, And 30th AAW Symposium in Providence, RI

July 2 WNT Directors Meeting

6:00 Dinner at Chili's (1540 S University Dr.) 7:00 Meeting at 3003 Shamrock, Ft Worth, TX

July 25 WNT Monthly Meeting 7:00 PM

3003 Shamrock Ft. Worth, TX

Program John Horn

August 6 WNT Directors Meeting

6:00 Dinner at Angelo's Barbecue (2533 White Settlement Rd)

7:00 Meeting at 3003 Shamrock, Ft Worth, TX

August 29 WNT Monthly Meeting 7:00 PM

3003 Shamrock Ft. Worth, TX Program Larry Genender

September 3 WNT Directors Meeting

> 6:00 Dinner at Dos Gringos (1015 University Dr.) 7:00 Meeting at 3003 Shamrock, Ft Worth, TX

September 26 WNT Monthly Meeting 7:00 PM

3003 Shamrock Ft. Worth, TX

Program Raul Pen'a Demo end grain turning with hook tools

Library Report (New Books for 2002)

The following list are the new books which were acquired recently. Look over the list and if you find one of interest check it out at the next meeting.

1. Turning Miniatures in wood by John Sainsbury 2. The Encyclopedia of Wood working by Mark Ramaz as Editor 3. Barnacle Parp's Chainsaw Guide by Walter Hall Handcrafted Wooden Toys by Ralph S. Buckland 4. 5. Wooden Toys and Crafts a Time-Life Book Turning Green Wood by Michael O'Donnell 6.

Projects for the Mini Lathe by Dick Sing 7.

8. The wood Sanding Book by Sandor Nagyszalanczy

For Sale: By Ed Kocurek

Two metal turning lathes

- (1) South Bend: Model "A", 9 inch bed gap and 24 inch bed. Serial number # C344ZD
- (2) Clausing: Model "4902", 9 inch bed gap and 24 inch bed. Serial number #403713 In addition the following are for sale:

A Powermatic drill Press Model 1150 (very large item) Serial #415v043 Belsaw with 1/2 HP Motor, Model #10293

For addition information contact Ed at email ekocurek@mindspring.com

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For Sale:

If you are looking for a short laser pointer for that deep hollowing tool or for that other project requiring a laser you can order one for \$10.95 from the web address shown below:

http://www.ScientificsOnline.com After the Home page opens, type "laser pointer" in the search box and click GO

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