

Mountaineer Woodturners

Newsletter

December 2004

Our president, Dave Jones presided over the meeting.

There were about 24 persons present. Visitors were Clarence Duncan and Kenneth Kelch. We are certainly glad these folks joined us.

Former member Dave Wentz is making progress and is now walking out to his shop. Paul Payne returned home after 12 day in the hospital with pneumonia.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

January 8, 2005

Cedar Lakes

Business

- There is \$1555.51 in the treasury.
- The AAW symposium Collaborative Project was discussed. There was no interest this year.
- Mountaineer Woodturners membership dues for 2005 are now due. These dues have been raised to \$20 this year.
- Dave Jones reminded us that dues for the national AAW are also due. These dues are now \$40 for the year. This was followed by a discussion of the direction that the AAW seems to be going. Many in our local group feel the direction of the AAW and the journal appears to too "artsey fartsey". Many prefer to see simple quality turnings. All I can say is – What about turning hats?
- A motion was made, seconded, and passed to purchase a tool rest for the grinder in the wood shop.
- Some members felt it might be to our advantage to sell the items turned in the last two meetings (hats and mirror by Chris Ramsey and Christmas tree ornaments by Keith Bundy) instead of auctioning them at the meeting. It was voted to auction them off at the

meeting as originally planned. Thanks to efforts of our world-renowned auctioneer Bob Fleming, the auction of those items brought in about \$450 to our club treasury!

- Tom Schottle presented a preliminary program for the coming year:

January 08	To Be Announced
February 12	Jack Brown will demonstrate how he makes inlaid boxes and ornaments.
March 12	Tom Crabb will demonstrate turning on the bias and bandsaw boxes.
April 09	Andi Wolfe will demonstrate decorative embellishments.
May 14	Alan Leeland may demonstrate turning stools.
June 11	To Be Announced
July	Moumountain State Arts and Crafts Fair
August 13	Annual Picnic
September 10	Annual wood and tool auction
October 08	Mike Wade will demonstrate how he makes Christmas tree ornaments.
November 12	Jamie Donaldson will demonstrate "Long Bowls".
December 10	To Be Announced

Show and Tell

Dave Jones brought in two really fine Christmas tree ornaments, one from Cherry





and the other from spaulted Maple, both with
Ebony finials.

Dave also had an attractive Willow bowl



and a vase from spaulted Oak.

Mike Wade showed us a bowl he had turned from Chinese Chestnut



and an "organic" bowl from Cedar. (I guess that is to distinguish it from the "inorganic" bowls turned by Tom).

Mike also brought in 8 of his famous Christmas tree ornaments. It is too much to try and describe them all here.





Tom Schottle also brought in some really nice Christmas tree ornaments. You just needed to see them.



Tom also had a wonderful Alabaster bowl.

Jim Morrison had a wonderful hat he had turned from Ambrosia Maple.



Jerry Smith brought in a couple of his nice "touchy feely" Maple burl bowls.



Joe Smith showed us some fabulous hats he had turned. Two were from Sycamore



and a smaller hat from Walnut made for Mary.



Joe Keeler was able to make it over from Cincinnatti. He brought along two beautiful platters, one he had turned from a Maple crotch



and the other from a Cherry crotch.

He also had a nice hollowform vase from a Maple burl.



Gary Gibbs brought in several really attractive bowls. Two were large Cherry bowls and there

was a nice Osage Orange bowl. He also had two Oak burl bowls and a Beech bowl and a Mahogany bowl. Unfortunately Gary gathered them up before I could photograph them.

Program

Joe Smith, as usual, gave a wonderful discussion and demonstration of basic bowl turning

Miscellaneous

The Newsletter will be sent by email to those members who have given me their email address. This medium will contain an HTML document in which I have included links to pictures of the "Show and Tell" items as well as a link to the website. Those who do not have email addresses listed with me will receive the usual hardcopy newsletter by US snailmail. Any others who wish a newsletter by mail should let me know.

The Newsletter with pictures is also available on the website.

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