

Mountaineer Woodturners

Newsletter

February 2005

Our president, Dave Jones presided over the meeting.

There were about 30 persons present. Visitors were John & Dianne Brown, Bill McIntyre, Bob McCombs, Ronald Barnes, Willie Stone, Mark Kirkhart, and former members John Bare and Don Hamrich. We were certainly glad to have these folks with us.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Tom Crabb

March 12, 2005

Cedar Lakes

Business

- There is \$3171 in the treasury.
- Mountaineer Woodturners membership dues for 2005 are now overdue.
- The meetings in May and June as well as the Picnic in August have had to rescheduled for the first Saturdays of the month.
- Jim Withee made a motion to appoint a committee to oversee quality of items being shown and sold at the Arts and Craft Fair. The motion was seconded, but defeated. President Dave Jones proposed to keep the issue under advisement.
- The Arts and Crafts Fair will be from Friday, July 1st through Monday, July 4th.

Set-up for the fair will be Thursday, June 30th.

- In a separate executive meeting (on Feb. 18th) plans for the next election of officers was discussed, and a nomination committee selection process begun. The use of an alternate room, which would be more "audience friendly" for meetings, is being looked into. A Mountaineer Woodturners brochure which may be passed out at the fair will be developed. It was learned that the cost to the club for the use of the credit card at the fair has increased; this may affect the rate the club has to charge fellows who exhibit. That will be discussed at a later time.
- Here is another revised program for the coming year. Please note particularly the date change for the picnic and the program for September.

March 12	Tom Crabb will demonstrate turning on the bias and bandsaw boxes.
April 09	Andi Wolfe will demonstrate decorative embellishments.
May 07	Alan Leeland will demonstrate turning stools.
June 04	Irene Gafert from Denmark will be demonstrating
July	Art and Craft Fair
August 06	Annual Picnic
September 10	Annual wood and tool auction. John Crede will demonstrate offset turning.
October 08	Mike Wade will demonstrate how he makes his famous Christmas tree ornaments.
November 12	Jamie Donaldson will demonstrate "Long Bowls".
December 10	TBA

Show and Tell

Due to the large number of Show & Tell items, and the desire to get on with the

demonstration, a number of items did not get photographed.

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Dave Jones brought in some more turnings from Florida woods. He had a really interesting natural bowl from Slash Pine. Due to all the resin and oil in the wood, it was difficult to finish the wood, or even to sand it.



Dave had a Magnolia vase

and an attractive natural edged bowl from (we think) Apple.





Dave also had a spaulted Oak vase and a wonderful Cedar closed vessel.

Mike Wade showed us some picture of his disastrous encounter with a chain saw. He brought in a helmet, which might have prevented this. He also brought some wood samples of Ironwood and Redbud.

Tom Schottle brought in a nice Alabaster bowl, which Tom said was from a poor quality Alabaster. It was too soft and had a tendency to crack.



He brought in a Maple rattle he had turned

and a really neat bowl.



Tom also had a couple of very attractive
Maple platters.



Jim Morrison had a nice Apple bowl
laced together with leather.



Jim Withee brought in a spaulted Beech bowl.

U.K. Dawson brought in a couple of bowls he had turned from Elm.

Gary Gibbs showed us a very nice, and very large, bowl he had turned from Sycamore.



He also had a remarkable square bowl turned from Cherry.

Warnie Lore had three wonderful platters turned from quarter sawed lumber. One was from Magnolia.





Another was from spaulted Beech,

and the other was from Oak.



Jack Brown, in addition to a number of inlayed item to illustrate the demonstration, showed us a couple of bowls he had turned from African Blue Gum (actually a species of Australian Eucalyptus) which were leftover pieces of lumber being used to repair the Atlantic City boardwalk.



Program

Jack Brown came down from the Pittsburgh area to give an excellent demonstration of his inlay technique, and some of the various router jigs he uses for the inlaying.



Miscellaneous

The Newsletter will be sent by email to those members who have given me their email address. 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.

This email contains an HTML document in which I have included links to pictures of the "Show and Tell" items. The Newsletter with pictures is also available on the website.

Because of the difficulty at each meeting of trying to get photos of all the items in the show and tell, this will be discontinued after this newsletter. I may take a couple of group photos of the whole table of items and put that only in the newsletter and on the website.

Instead of trying to add photos of all the show and tell items to the members' gallery, I will rely on photos sent in by the members.

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