



As the Wood Turns

A Newsletter of the Peaks Woodturners

Kwis' List

Can you teach an old dog new tricks?...beware of on-line soliciting! I have learned a few things this month.

1. Check things out before you buy on line. I received an e-mail from a guy in California selling burls. I liked the idea and after seeing the photo I placed an order for myself, one to raffle at the club, and another for a birthday gift for a Pa. friend. I then forwarded on the e-mail to the person in charge of that stuff at Bucks County turners to put out to their members. I received an e-mail back that said someone from that club had ordered those burls and paid for them and it took him a year to receive them and

they were checked so badly they were unturnable. I decided to cancel the check. I forwarded to Dennis, the person selling, the e-mail I received from the Bucks turners. He sent me this return e-mail so I am still not sure if he is ok. I have not yet received the burls so we will see---just a word to the wise is sufficient!

Hi, Lin I think Mr. Williams is referring to another burl supplier in Westwood named Jack Dickson. We have only been selling burls since Nov. The fire that destroyed our woods was last summer. You certainly don't have to pay in advance, though. When you and your

friend receive your burls then you can send me a check.

*Thank you,
Rick Dennis*

I will let you know the outcome of this saga .

2. I hope everyone is working on your eggs. The display in the library will come sooner than you think and I would like to have one egg from everyone in the club....the prize is still in the process of being decided.

3. A new finish is being touted by the Eastern Bucks Group as being good but expensive. It is called Super Gloss and is made by PSI in Pa. It is \$21.95 for an 8

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March Meeting Highlights

Lots to talk about since we missed the February meeting due to snow. Don Barnes said that the Willow Bend Environmental Center program schedule is full, but we could rent it for \$20/hr if we wanted to put on a non-subsidized program. We de-

cidated not to do this. Don will look into the possibility of providing a demonstration/introduction to woodturning for some young men that he works with through Big Brothers/Big Sisters. John will look into the possibility of providing a recurring

woodturning educational demonstration for young people. Lin, Bill, and Don Baker will help with the program.

Lin formally announced the egg challenge. We are all asked to try to turn a perfect egg shape out of the wood of

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Members

Members in attendance at the March 2009 meeting were:

Lin Kwis
 John Giovale
 Bill Dooley
 Don Baker
 Jeanette Baker
 Bob Fain
 Brodie Brickey
 Andy Fox

Don Barnes
 Kathy Moore
 Cindy Runyon
 Dan Liggett
 Mike Dries

Pris Meiser

New members and guests are always welcome.

Guests:

Janet Brickey
 Brodie Brickey, Jr.

Pride and Practice



John Giovale - Finial Box



Lin Kwis - Ponderosa Pine Bowl



Kathy Moore- Lightning-Struck Aspen Boxes



Brodie Brickey, Jr. -Travel Mug Sleeve



Don Baker - Black Limba, Maple, & Eucalyptus Boxes



Jeanette Baker - Aspen Bowl

MARCH DEMONSTRATION

KATHY MOORE AND DAN LIGGETT ON ROUGHING A BOWL



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our choice. At the Desert Woodturner's Roundup in February, Alan Lacer stated that if you can turn a perfect egg, you can pretty much turn anything, so Lin thinks this will be great practice.

We have modified the upcoming demonstration schedule and will attempt to bring in demonstrators from outside the club, including Shermane Frei from Sedona, Hans Finsterwalder from Lake Havasu, and Tony Leal from Prescott. In the April meeting we will have the long de-

layed pen making demonstration. For the next several meetings Dan Liggett and others will demonstrate how to sharpen a particular turning tool.

The raffle was particularly outstanding this month because Lin and Jeanette scored many nice free gifts from Desert Woodturners Roundup vendors, including a Hunter tool, signed books by Dale Nish, and several instructional DVDs. Lots of good wood was available too. The raffle made \$65 for the club.

Upcoming Demonstrations/Events

APRIL—Pens—Rollie Allen/Don Baker

MAY — Basket Illusion turning —Shermane Frei of Sedona

JUNE— Travel Mug—Brodie Brickey, Jr.
26-28—2009 AAW Symposium,
Albuquerque Convention Center

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The Peaks Woodturners is a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners. The purposes of the Peaks Woodturners are to (1) provide a meeting place for local wood turners, (2) share ideas and techniques regarding wood turning, (3) trade woods, (4) exchange ideas about tools, and (5) educate and foster the art of wood turning. Membership is open to anyone interested in wood turning.

Meetings take place on the second Tuesday of the month and begin at 6:30 p.m. The location is The Shop at 450 S. River Run Road.

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ounce can. It is a lacquer based finish but repels water, grease, oil, etc and is very good on pens etc. I hope to have some to show at the next meeting when we do pens. Check out the PSI web site at Pennstateind.com.

4. Remember to bring your pens you have made as we are having a demo on pen making and it would be good to see other creations. Remember also your dollar as we still have some great things to raffle off again!

See you April 14-God willing and the creek don't rise!
