



As the Wood Turns

A Newsletter of the Peaks Woodturners

March Meeting Highlights

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Bill called the meeting to order. The minutes from the February meeting were approved as written.

Ernie gave the treasurer's report. The beginning balance was \$5,712.18. Income included \$43 from the raffle and 21 cents in interest. Expenses were \$300 to AAW for memberships resulting in an ending balance of \$5,455.39.

Members discussed getting name tags.

Michelle Beaudreau updated the club on the Empty Bowls event on May 1. She said the entertainment would continue late in the evening to provide more fund-raising opportunities. She said she would like to have the name of the turners who donate bowls so she can put the names on poster during the event.

John Armstrong invited members to come to Prescott for a demonstration and workshop with Michael Mocho from New Mexico.

The club reviewed the ideas submitted by Don Baker and Carl Smith for future demonstrations. The group would like to have Dale Gillaspay for a demonstration, as soon as possible. The group was not interested in a lecture by Lynn Yamaguchi. Interested was expressed in Bud Becker's demonstration in June, if his fee were reasonable. There was not a great deal of interest in pen turning at this time. The proposed hands-on event in September with Jim Beaman received support.

Jeanette Baker

Board of Directors

- *President: Bill Dooley*
- *Vice President: Kevin Okon*
- *Secretary: Jeanette Baker*
- *Treasurer: Ernie Kurmes*
- *Program Coordinator: Don Baker
Carl Smith*



- *Librarian: Steve Van Ooteghem*
- *Videographer: Bob Fain:*

RAFFLE ITEMS NEEDED

Please bring something for the raffle -- wood, tool, etc.



From the Editor

To continue our New Year's resolution to turn safely, it's time for another installment from AAW's Safety for Woodturners. This is the third in a series excerpted from an article by John Kelsey titled "Checklists for Woodturning Safety."

Kelsey begins by saying that your attitude is your first line of defense, with face shields and other protective gear the backup system. Good woodturners take responsibility for their own safety by internalizing a safety point of view. He gives four checklists: one for attitude, one for personal protection, one for the lathe, and one for the actual turning.

The lathe checklist consists of five reminders:

1. **Keep the lathe bed clean.** Clear turning tools, setup tools, materials, and coffee cups from the lathe bed.
2. **Headstock and chuck:** Remove and stow chuck keys, adjusting wrenches, and knockout bars. Check for these before switching ON. Also check to be sure the belt guard or cover is in place.
3. **Tailstock and tool rest:** Use the tailstock to support the workpiece whenever possible. Check that all locking devices on the tailstock and tool rest assembly (rest and base) are tight.
4. **Sanding and finishing:** To protect your fingers, always remove the tool rest before sanding, finishing, or polishing operations on the lathe. Apply finish with small scraps of cloth or paper towel, not large rags, and stand aside to avoid flying droplets.
5. **Full stop:** Never leave the lathe running unattended. Turn the power OFF. Don't leave lathe until it comes to a complete stop.

Jeanette Baker

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Members

Members attending the March meeting were:

- John Armstrong
- Karl Doerry
- Lin Kwis
- Kevin Okon
- Mike Dries
- Ernie Kurmes
- Bob Belton
- Larry Gilbert
- Glenn Hoge
- Ken Mannila

- Bill Dooley
- Phillip Reuter
- Bob Fain

- Guests:
- Michelle Beaudreau
 - Greg Bremer
 - Jeff Beauchamp

New members and guests are always welcome. Annual membership dues are \$30. Family membership is \$30 for the first member and \$10 for each additional member.

Pride & Practice - photos by Bob Fain



Larry Gilbert



Larry Gilbert Kevin Okon



Karl Doerry

March Demonstration - Karl Doerry's egg holders



Karl Doerry's egg holders

Upcoming Demonstrations/Activities

Apr	14	William Weathersby	Salt Cellar	Jul	14	Summer potluck?
May	12	TBD		Aug	11	Jan Wee Pyrography/painting
June	9	Dale Gillaspay	Chemical patination & surface enhancement	Sept	11-12	Jim Beaman Hands-on workshop



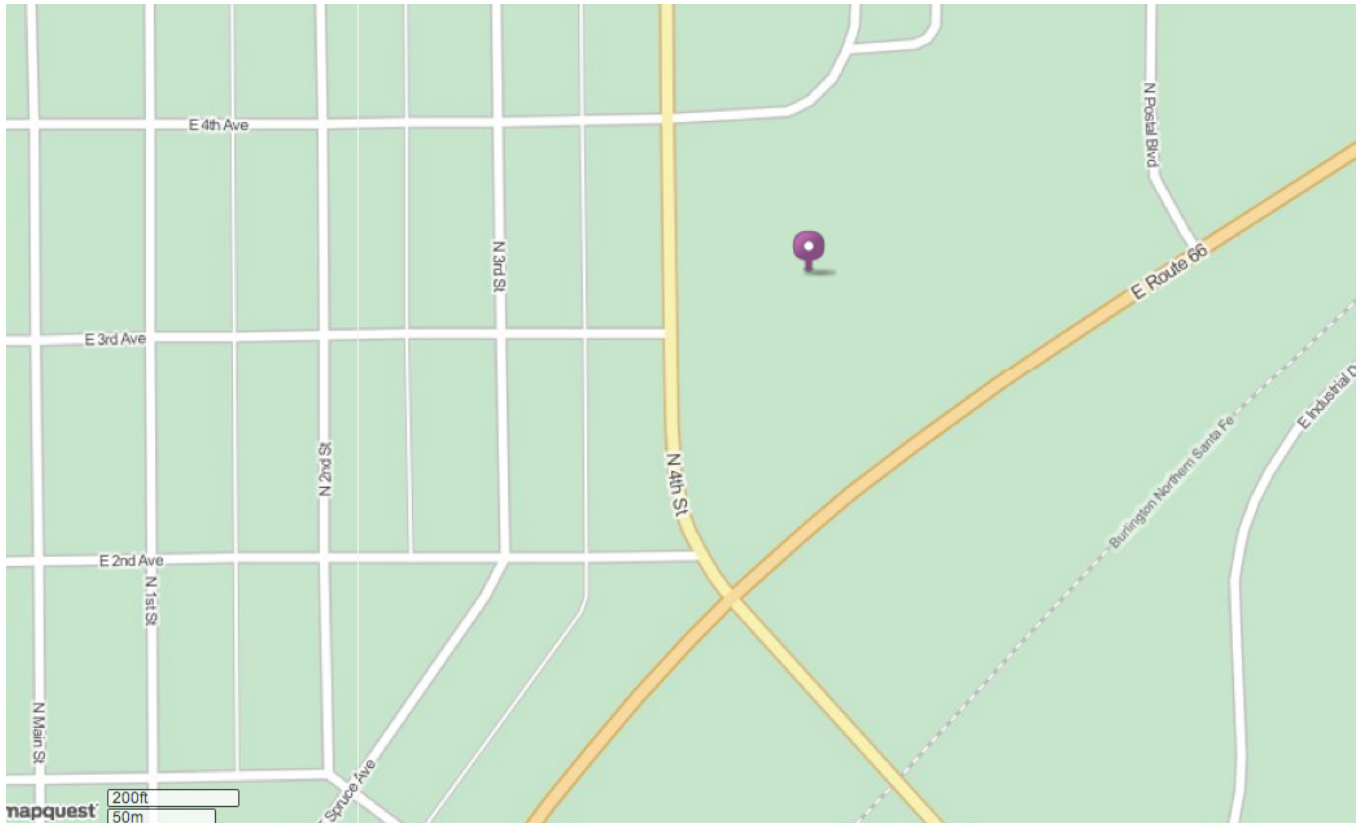
The Peaks Woodturners is a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners. The purposes of the Peaks Woodturners are to (1) provide a meeting place for local wood turners, (2) share ideas and techniques regarding woodturning, (3) trade woods, (4) exchange ideas about tools, and (5) educate and foster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

Meetings take place on the second Tuesday of the month and begin at 6:30 p.m., unless otherwise posted. The location for meetings is 1926 N. Fourth Street, Suite 9 (behind Hunan East).

www.peakswoodturners.org

How to get to Local Works:

Local Works is located at 1926 N Fourth Street, Suite 9. From Route 66 go north on Fourth Street. Look for the strip mall with Radio Shack, Hunan East, and the Habitat for Humanity Re-Store. Park in that parking lot. To get to Local Works, go between the R-Store and Hunan East. Suite 9 is located behind Hunan East.



PEAKS WOODTURNERS MEMBERSHIP FORM

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Street Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____ Confirm e-mail _____

Phone _____ Membership (\$30/year, individual. Family: \$30 + \$10 each additional member)

Additional member(s): _____

Are you an AAW member? _____

Make Checks Payable to: **PEAKS WOODTURNERS**

Send completed form and check to:

Peaks Woodturners
c/o Ernie Kurmes
5937 E. Abbey Rd.
Flagstaff, AZ 86004

Willing to give a demonstration? _____

Topic _____

Demonstrations you'd like to see: _____

