



As the Wood Turns

A Newsletter of the Peaks Woodturners

June Meeting Highlights

Mike called the meeting to order. The minutes from the May meeting were approved as presented.

Ernie gave the treasurer's report. The beginning balance was \$5,401.23. Income included \$32 from the raffle, \$30 in dues, and 23 cents in interest for May. There were no expenses resulting in an ending balance of \$5,463.46.

Marty Jacobson from the Flagstaff Sustainability Commission informed the club about the upcoming Fix It Clinic. The clinic will be held on Saturday July 12 from 10 am to 1 pm at Local Works. People can bring in items in need of repair such as toys, electronics, small furniture, etc. and

volunteers help them fix it. Marty is looking for volunteers to help with the clinic.

Jeanette announced that the July meeting will be a potluck at Carl and Debbie's. It will be on the regular meeting date, July 8 at 5:30. A map and directions are provided in this newsletter.

Jeanette also announced that she had sign-up sheets for the County Fair, August 30 and 31, Saturday and Sunday. At the Fair the club will demonstrate and have a table from which we can sell items. Don Baker noted that it was especially important to have people to help with the set up on Saturday and the tear down both Saturday and Sunday. Sign up sheets will be available at the next meeting.

Jeanette Baker

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- *Secretary: Jeanette Baker*
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- *Librarian: Steve Van Ooteghem*
- *Videographer: Bob Fain*
- *Outreach: Rebecca Crawford*

◆◆ RAFFLE ITEMS NEEDED ◆◆

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



From the Editor

By my count, eight members of Peaks Woodturners attended the AAW Symposium in Phoenix. I hope those who attended found it as informative and inspirational as I did. In addition to the demonstrations and panels themselves, the handbook that accompanies registration is very educational since many of the demonstrators include the handouts from their demonstrations with detailed instructions.

The AAW message of safety was evidenced by most all the demonstrators talking about safety, the shields on the lathes, and the face shields worn by the demonstrators. Even at that, Bob reported that one demonstrator had an object fly off the lathe. Fortunately there were no injuries except for the overhead camera.

The instant gallery, as always, was amazing. It is amazing what some people can do with wood!

To give you a flavor of what kinds of things you can be exposed to at a symposium, I'll give you a sample of some of the demonstration topics: Wood Characteristics, Wood Orientation, Wing Bowl from Log or Crotch, Teardrop Box, Turning Hollow Forms, Square-To-Round Bowls, Vases, Hollowforms, and much more. It's often hard to decide who and what to see. Fortunately the sessions are repeated so you usually can fit in most, if not everyone you want to see.

Carl reports that both AAW Re-Turn to the Community projects were quite successful. Unofficially, the Empty Bowls Project sold about 180 bowls and generated \$4,500 to benefit Seeds for Autism. More than 50 wood-turned boxes were donated to Beads of Courage.

The symposium included a Tradeshow with a variety of vendors selling their wares. Some vendors had nationally-known turners demonstrating their tools and some turners turned tool-makers, such as Stuart Batty, were there to show off their products.

All-in-all, a worthwhile experience.

Jeanette Baker

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Members

Members attending the June meeting were:

Rebecca Crawford
Bill Dooley
Mike Dries
Ernie Kurmes
Don Baker
Jeanette Baker
Carl Smith
Joe Davidson
Kevin Okun

Glenn Hoge
Karl Doerry

Guests:

Marty Jacobson
James Guidotti
Tom Wirsing
Melinda Wirsing
John Wessels
Jane Wessels

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.

Wood & Pewter - John Wessels shares his work from South Africa



June Demonstration - Tom Wirsing turning a platter



Upcoming Demonstrations/Activities

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July	8	Pot luck	• Aug.	30-31	Coconino County Fair
Aug.	12	TBD	• Sept.	TBD	Hans Finsterwalder 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).

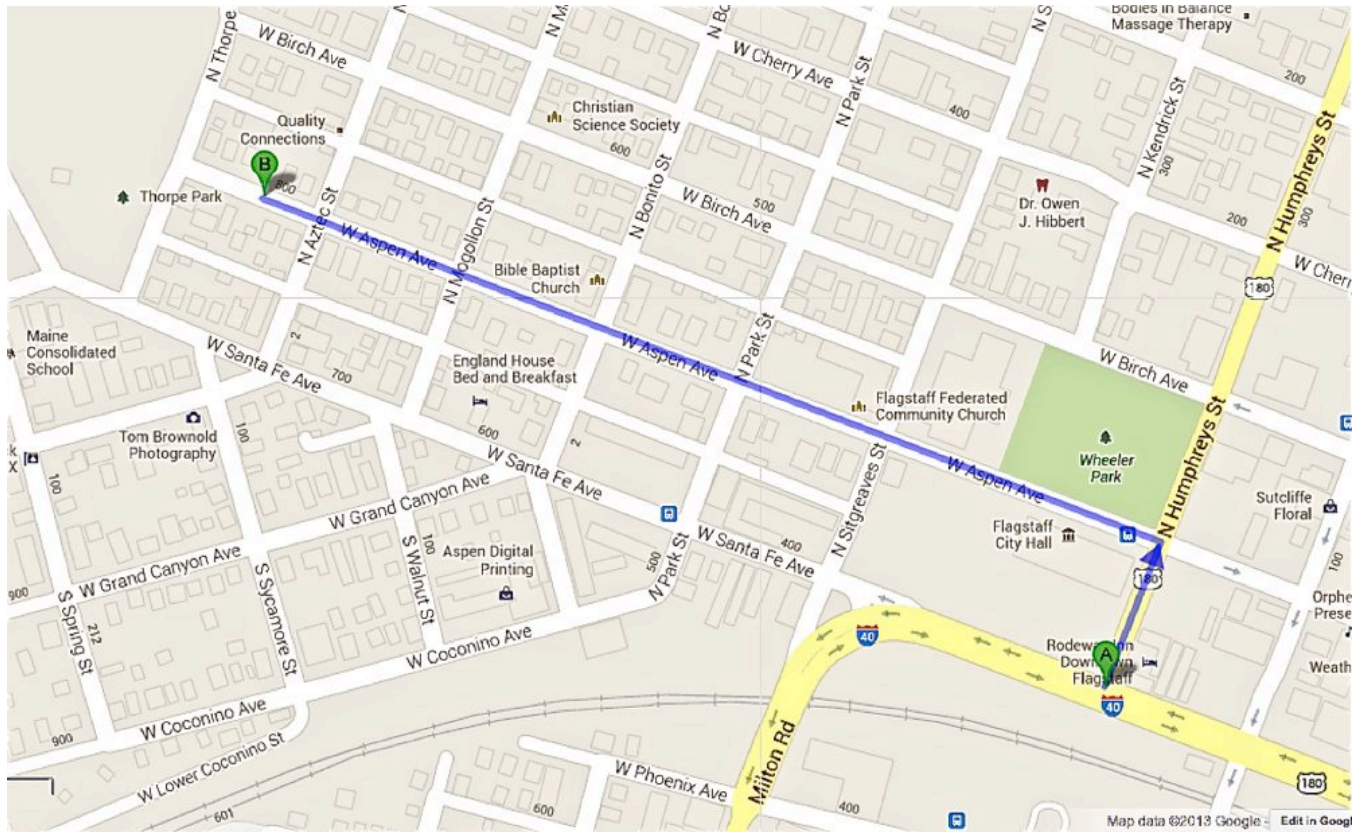
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How to get to Carl and Debbie's:

From Route 66 downtown go north on N Humphrey's St. Go 1 block to W Aspen Avenue and turn left. Go past Wheeler Park, the Public Library, and the Federated Community Church. Go about 4 1/2 blocks across N Aztec St. The house is on the left, 811 W Aspen Avenue.



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: _____

