



As the Wood Turns

A Newsletter of the Peaks Woodturners

Kwis' List

Here we are in October all ready...how is every one coming on their things to sell at the Main Library in November? Remember we want something from every member; you are helping support our organization! If you need some help contact any director for some private time to get your items done.

1. The Coconino Center for the Arts is where our next meeting will be held Wednesday, October 7th. They are also having a show called "Its Elemental" (November 24-December 19) and they are highlighting wood this year. If you want more information about having something juried for the show, see Bob Fain. The deadline is October 13 for entries. I am working very hard on trying to get a spider box done for the show.

2. Again I remind you that

the end of the year is coming and it will be time to consider the ballot for next years' directors- only two things are necessary: you must be a member of Peaks Woodturners and you must be a member of A.A.W. If you have any ideas or suggestions please contact any director.....we wait to hear from you.

3. I am sorry that I missed the meeting last month but I had a wonderful vacation traveling around Ireland with my daughter, Jen (her husband John Joe-the Irish connection) and son Pat (his wife Veerle). We saw so much and had a wonderful holiday.

I want to encourage everyone when you travel to consider looking up woodturners. It doesn't matter if it is only 50 miles away, it will be a very rewarding experience as woodturners on the whole are very sharing and friendly people. They love to

meet other people with like interests. I have met woodturners every trip I have taken, Norway, Spain, and now Ireland.

I have some photos of Hilary Hale's work, which are included in this newsletter. She is English but has lived in Ireland a very long time. She is a single mom of two college-age sons. She showed me her studio and her showroom which was nothing more than room in her home with a nice picture window. Her items were very reasonable in price and she had many things she for sale such as cheese boards and knives, bottle stops, bowls, lamps etc. She also had some lovely art form turnings that were outstanding. Visit her site, hilaryhale.com. It was so interesting to see what woods she works with and how she gets them. Local people who know

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Board of Directors

- *President: Lin Kwis*
- *Vice President: John Giovale*
- *Secretary/Newsletter: Don Baker*
- *Treasurer: Jeanette Baker*
- *Program Coordinator: Dan Liggett*

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September Meeting Highlights

John called the meeting to order in Lin's absence. Three guests were introduced. The minutes from the August meeting were approved unanimously.

Jeanette gave the treasurer's report.

Don Baker confirmed that the club had entered into a contract

with the Coconino Center for the Arts for future meetings through May. Because of the Center for the Arts schedule, the meeting day will change to the first Wednesday of the month beginning in October.

John reminded the club that in October we will need to develop a slate of new officers for the

coming calendar year. Anyone interested in serving as an officer or who wants to nominate someone, contact Don Baker. Don pointed out that officers must be members of AAW.

John also reminded the group that in October we will need to

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Members

Members in attendance at the July 2009 meeting were:

John Giovale
Bill Dooley
Don Baker
Jeanette Baker
Mike Dries
Bob Fain

Rollie Allen
Kathy Moore
Judy Gangi

Steve Drumwright
Daisy Baker

New Members

Karl Doerry

Guests:

Pat Orr

New members and guests are always welcome. Membership dues are \$15 a calendar year.

Lin Visits Anglo-Irish Turner Hillary Hale



Hilary's Cherry Bowl



Hilary's Sycamore Hollow Form

SEPTEMBER DEMONSTRATION

Don Baker demonstrated turning Harry Potter-like magic wands. These might make a great Christmas gift for a young Harry Potter fan.



Turning the tip



Turning the handle

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discuss our dues structure. Having to pay rent for the first time will increase our expenses. Bob pointed out that the Center for the Arts is really giving us a good deal because they want to support local artists.

Don reported on a workshop for some Boy Scouts that took place at his house. Carl Smith from the Arizona Woodturners Association in Phoenix, who was at our last meeting, offered to bring his trailer with six lathes and all the equipment for us to use. He also helped with

the demonstration and offered us the use of the trailer, especially in the summer.

Bob encouraged members to submit their best pieces for the Coconino Center for the Arts upcoming exhibit in November. This year the “It’s Elemental” exhibit really wants to highlight works made of wood. He passed around an entry form and indicated it also was available online.

Don reminded the group that we also were committed to a display at the main

public library down town in November, so we really need to get turning! Christmas-type items such as ornaments, bottle stoppers, magic wands, and such are good things that can be sold at the exhibit.

There was discussion about having a suggestion box where people could provide ideas for upcoming demonstrations. This was an idea from Carol Reed. She also suggested meeting from time to time at people’s home shops. There was mention of a possible demonstration on sharpening.

Don Baker

DRINKS

October	Lin
November	Cindy
December	Gene

LATHE SCHEDULE

September 8—October 7	Mike
October 7—November 4	Available
November 4—December 2	Don Barnes



Special Guest Daisy Baker

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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 first Wednesday of the month and begin at 6:30 p.m. The location is the Coconino Center for the Arts, 2300 North Fort Valley Road.

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she loves wood and when they take down a tree they contact her. She gave me a lovely spalted beech blank.....she had so many lovely woods. I purchased two items made of elm - such a wonderful feeling wood. Elm is pretty much gone from America due to the blight. She was most gracious and fun to talk with so I encourage you to check out any turners on your vacations. You can check the A.A.W. directory for names in U.S. but there are also the same in other countries.

4. I have a thought...since we have a nice loaner lathe, I am wondering if we would like to do some demonstrating of wood turning? One place might be the Coconino Center for the Arts when a show opens like It's Elemental.....or the opening day of the exhibit at the library...perhaps we could do it in the parking lot? I know a lot will depend on the weather but we could all take turns ...2 hour shifts so we wouldn't have to stay all day. There might be other things you all can think about where we can spread the interest in wood turning....just a thought perhaps we should bring it up under new business if you all think it has merit.

Lin Kwis