

Rocky Mountain Woodturners

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Events Calendar

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| April 8 | Monthly Meeting
Group Discussion on Tools & Jigs |
| May 6 | Monthly Meeting
Segmented Turning - Kurt Theobold |
| May 27-30 | Provo Symposium |
| June 3 | Monthly Meeting
Metal Spinning - Peter Gil & Mark Baker |
| June 18-20 | AAW Tacoma Symposium |
| July 8 | Monthly Meeting
Tool Making - To be announced |
| August 5 | Monthly Meeting
Basic Bowls - Lloyd Jenkins |
| September 9 | Monthly Meeting
To be announced - Dale Nish |
| October 16 | RMWT Symposium |
| November 4 | Monthly Meeting
Table Top Photography - Dan Templeton |

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April MEETING

Thursday – 4/7/99

7:00 PM

Room 105

**Industrial Sciences Building
Colorado State University
Ft. Collins, Colorado**

Officers Meet 6:00 at Avangondros

Agenda:

- Announcements
- Show & Tell
- Jigs and Tools discussion (bring a tool or jig you use to discuss)
- Monthly Challenge: Anything turned that fits inside a 35mm film canister
- Wood Raffle (Please Bring Wood)

MARCH MEETING MINUTES

Wayne Van Every

Officer's Report: The Symposium was the major topic of discussion. A separate article contains information on the symposium.

The membership renewals is still below projections, we are barely over 55 out of almost 80 possible members. As outlined previously, March 31 is the cutoff date for newsletters being sent to anyone that has not paid their Club dues. So if you have not paid your dues to Jim Ferry expect to be removed from the active member list.

SYMPOSIUM

Wayne Van Every

Next meeting Avagadro's Number at 5:30 April 8th, located at 605 S. Mason Street, Ft. Collins.

The selection on the facility seems to be leaning toward CSU at this point. David Nittman is heading up the Staging Committee that is working the facility search. The next item on the critical path is to get the program locked in, Trent Bosch is planning the demonstrators.

I received a phone call from Nancy Quick-Brewer informing me that she was going to have to resign from her position as the Registration Committee chairperson due to family medical reasons. Anyone wanting to volunteer for the position please contact one of the committee members.

Below are the committees with the chairperson, phone number and email address if they have one, a

description for the committee function. Listed following the description are the volunteers that have signed up thus far. Chairpersons can setup and meet with their committees as required.

Gallery – Doug Schneiter – 970/663-7887

Setup and manage the wood turning gallery.

Paul Bailey - 970/2245683

Allen Jensen - 970/663-1868

Program – Trent Bosch 970/493-6476

trentbosch@yahoo.com

To plan the day, how many demonstration, how long and who demonstrates. Handle the demonstrators.

Doug Schneiter - 970/653-7887

Allen Jensen - 970/663-1868

Aaron Jensen - 970/663-1868

Publicity - Kevin Dunn 970/221-4894

Woodhusker@aol.com

To prepare and mail brochure, do advertising, manage web page, acquire mailing lists, get the word out.

Aaron Jensen - 970/663-1868

Bill Hall - 970/663-4967 - blhalli@juno.com

Registration – OPEN

Accept and manage registrations, accounting of fees, communication with guests, have maps and hotels available, control the symposium entrance.

Duane Fisher - 970/482-2928

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SYMPOSIUM (continued)

Show – Jon Fossi – 970/493-1387

jonathanswoodturnings@juno.com

Run all other activities other then the demonstrations, including concessions.

Jerry Smith - 970/456-7912

Staging – David Nittmann 970/493-0851

Facility, setup tables, chairs and equipment, tear down and clean up.

Dale Ketcher - 970/667-2841 -

DKechter@trendtechnologies.com

Dick Navratil - 970/484-3914 - rnavrati@psdk-12co.us

Jim Ferry - 970/482-4695 - jfei@frii.com

Video – Lloyd Jenkins 970/226-1166

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Ray Kowrach 307/634-9882

mesquite@cheyenneweb.com

Acquire and operate video equipment.

John Martin - 970/484-0949

David Gillespie - 970/484-9840

SHOP TOURS

Trent Bosch

The usual small group of nosey turners showed up at Dave Kahne's Shop Tour on March 27. We were greeted with great hospitality, and fantastic home made soup and sandwiches, spiced cider and cookies compliments of Shirley. We left crumbs all over Shirley's table, drooled all over Dave's beautiful work, left fingerprints on all his tools, and just plain made pests of ourselves. But Dave and Shirley took it all in stride. It was great fun and I am sure I can speak for all the nosey turners, we had a great time and thank you Dave and Shirley for having and feeding us.

Trent is leading the shop tour program. If you are interested on having a tour in your shop please let Trent know so we can get the information and a map into the Newsletter. The dates are open and we can probably accommodate one tour a month, so we need volunteers.

RMWT SHIRTS

Doug Schneiter

The club is raising money by selling shirts with the Rocky Mountain Woodturner's logo stitched onto the shirt. \$5.00 from each shirt will be given to the Club's treasury. Order your shirts from Doug Schneiter. Make checks payable to the Rocky Mountain Woodturners and give the money or check to Ray Kowrach.

LIBRARY

Jack Teftt

The library policy is, each member may check out one book or video for one month. This allows other members the opportunity to use the library materials.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Ray Kowrach

The club membership dues are \$20.00 and \$12.00 for students. Dues are half for new members joining after June. Fill out the Member Information Form, include it with your funds and turn it in to Ray Kowrach or Jim Ferry.

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CLUB MEMBERSHIP (continued)

If you bring a guest please make sure they fill out an information card and leave it with Kevin Dunn so they can receive two copies of the newsletter.

This will be the last courtesy copy sent out to those that have not renewed their memberships. If you are intending to renew your membership please get paid up, we hate to loose anyone!

MEMBER INFO EXCHANGE

FOR SALE: Malachite or Blue Lapis for inlay work.
Jerry Smith - 303/466-7912 or Earl Ellis - 303/426-7130

FOR SALE: Delta/Rockwell Model 46-450 heavy-duty lathe, 1 hp, 12" swing 36" between centers. Lots of accessories. Great machine!! \$1000.00 Trent - 970/493-6476

FOR SALE: Compact Hobbyist Lathe (metal) with all accessories, retail \$4100.00, selling for \$2100.00
Contact Al Cummins at 303/466-7912.

FOR SALE: Delta/Rockwell 12" Lathe, ½-3/4 HP, 37 – 40" one owner previously had health problems never used. Three tool rests. Contact Daryl Baird 593-9929

FOR SALE: Carba-Tec Lathe with stand for \$250.00.
Contact David Kahne at (307) 745-9532.

FOR SALE: 1962 Delta/Rockwell Model 46-450 heavy-duty, reversible, variable speed 12" lathe, 2 hp just rewound, 220V, new spindle bearings, spindle pulley and belts. Over \$3000.00 invested, will sell for \$2000.00, O.B.O. Craftsman 12" Lathe, this has been shortened to 24" between centers and mounted to a Delta Sidekick Kick Stand. New bearings, spindle tail stock ram and 12" tool rest. Very portable. Built for light turning at shows and demos. \$500.00. O.B.O. Must sell both!!! Contact Wayne Van Every 970/454-1808

FOR SALE: Deep hollowing tools and instruction
Contact Dick Breckon at 719/597-9718.

FOR SALE: Collection of wood and extensive magazine library. Contact Mrs. Failing at 719/570-9932.

PIKES PEAK (PPW) CLUB NEWS

Alan Maier

Meeting at Woodcraft Supply on North Academy and Vickers in Colorado Springs Meetings are held the Thursday following the first Tuesday each month at 7 PM. Contact Dick Jones evenings at 719/488-3787

FRONT RANGE (FRWT) CLUB NEWS

Dave Sifer

Meetings are held at Schlosser Tool and Machinery 301 Bryant in Denver 303/922-8244. Contact Pete Holtus at 303/364-5365

FROM THE EDITOR

Wayne Van Every

I must inform you all that I have resigned as the Club's Secretary and Newsletter Editor effective with the publishing of this, my last newsletter. I hope that you all have enjoyed my dabbling in publishing. I have returned to school last fall to work on an engineering degree, as I progress into the program, the quantity of precious time I can steal away to turn has become extremely limited. It was not an easy choice, to give up working on the growth of our Club and Newsletter, or allow myself to be selfish and focus on what it is our Club is all about. Woodturning has won out.

After hours of thought I am disillusioned by what it is, we, the Club, are going to accomplish with the symposium we are planning. It will be fun and educational for many FRWT, PPWT and the RMWT turners that will be attending. I believe the result will be the self-promotion of a few elite turners, to a group of individuals that are already addicted to woodturning. It will ultimately have little effect on promoting woodturning to those unaware of what we do. Because of the limited resources we have as a club, and as individuals, I think the symposium should focus on promoting woodturning to individuals outside the existing clubs. Promote woodturning to people that do not know what woodturning even is, and to educate them as to the resources available in the area, as well as national and internationally.

FROM THE EDITOR (continued)

We could focus on a problem and make an attempt to make an impact on it. Here are my thoughts of what we could be doing. A very real problem is the fact that woodshops and woodturning is an endangered subject due to lack of interest and budgetary constraints in many schools. We as a Club, have the ability to make an impact on this problem.

An educational symposium could be held with members of the three clubs from within Colorado. We could give demonstrations and staff information booths. Provide an area where someone who has never held a turning tool could for the first time pick one up and with the one on one help of one of us, experience the overwhelming joy of making a simple bowl, top, weedpot or a pen. The impact this could have on a school administrator that is working on next year's budget or an up and coming Trent Bosch could be immeasurable. We have excellent local talent, and I don't believe we need to incur the expense of paying for professional demonstrator fees and travel expenses to promote woodturning to people unaware of this craft or art if you prefer. Our audience target should be industrial arts teachers and school administrators from secondary and high school, community colleges and universities. Make the admission free to them, as well as students and the general public. Educate them on the organizations, educational resources, equipment suppliers and people in the area willing to come in and show some high school kids how to turn a weedpot.

I believe our direction for the Club and the symposium should be more philanthropic and aimed at educating the public and unknowing. We would get more support and involvement from the community and local businesses. The current direction will be adding income of those already making a living from the craft, using hours volunteered by the Club members, for the benefit of those that are already knowledgeable of woodturning. It seems selfish and self centered to me. Yes, our Club should and can serve to advance our knowledge, but, I think that is best accomplished by all day sessions with individual professional turners, which has to be a more educational than moving though several short and varied subject areas in a single day. Those that have attended the Provo and AAW symposiums have, for the most part, universally stated that there is just too much, if they learn 3-6 new things they have done well.

Consider the impact that Dr. Lee Carter had on a young student by the name of Trent Bosch several years ago and consider what Trent has returned to us all both inside and outside the woodturning community in creativity, energy and passion. Or, maybe what Doug Schneiter's impact on the Allen and Aaron Jensen has been and how they will effect the woodturning world. The pride and self satisfaction these educators must feel is surely immeasurable. We all have the opportunity to use our limited resources of time and money to be educators. We individually would have tremendous self satisfaction, the clubs, national organizations, the entire community and the business connected to woodturning as well as the customers of our craft and art would all reap the benefits. We have nothing more than to look at Dr. Lee Carter and realize, many of us would not be here reading this if it were not for his tireless efforts to continue reaching out and educating those unaware to our wondrous craft and art.

For me it is ethically wrong for any professional turner to benefit from efforts and time donated by the Club membership. The club members should not be used as a bunch of "roadies" for the profit and promotion of any professional. It is ironic the AAW has chosen to be so generous with our Club, when most of our membership chooses not to support the AAW by not becoming members. Shame on us. I believe we are missing a truly unique opportunity to reach out to those who are could benefit so much more from the limited resources we are able to donate and the generous gift from the AAW.

I apologize to those that may take offense in my words and thoughts; to offend is truly not my intention. Merely seeking to give voice to my perspective.

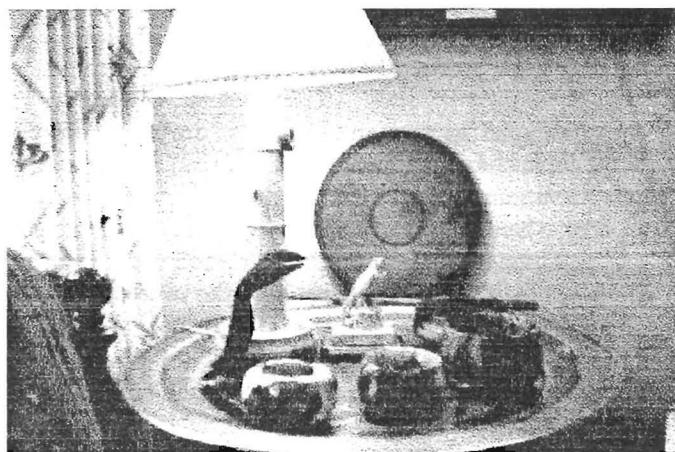
That said, keep turning, seek the spirit of the wood, and I'll be seeing you. And again, thanks to one and all that have made my tenure so personally rewarding.

DAVID & SHIRLEY KAHNE'S SHOP TOUR

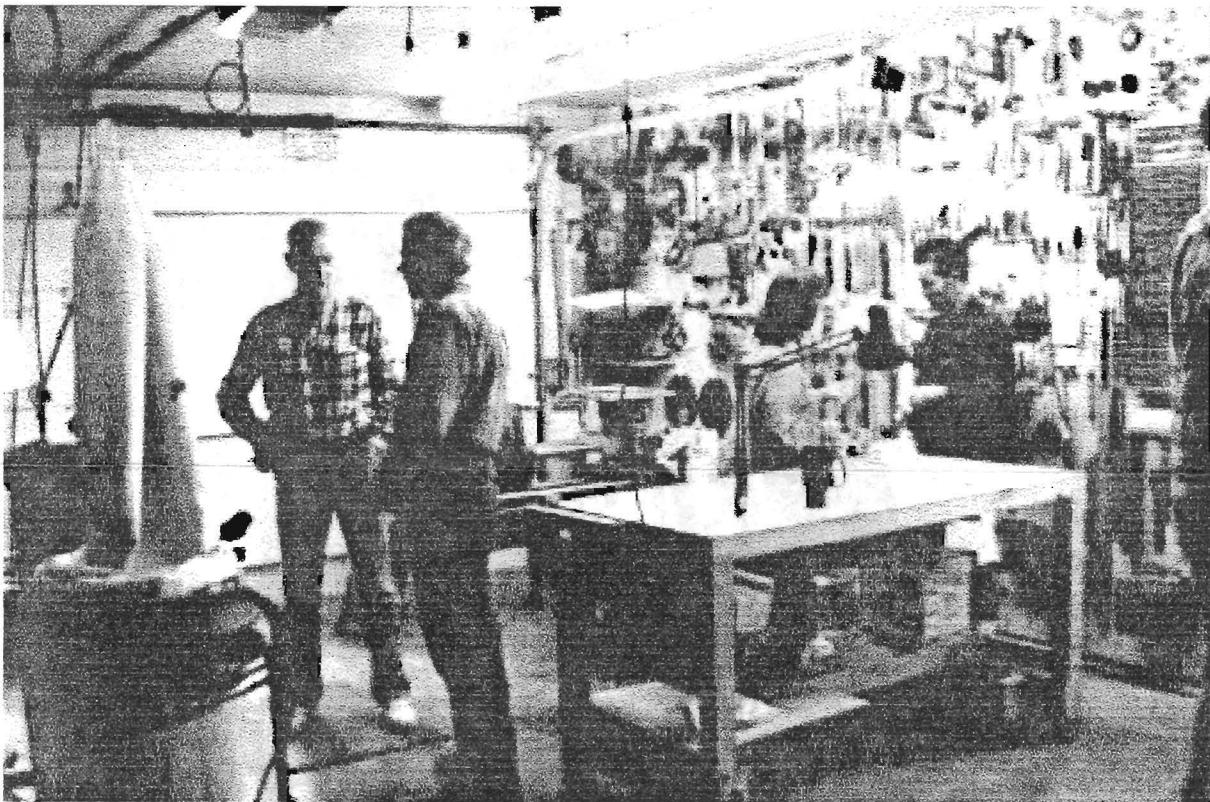
Wayne Van Every

The following photos are from our most recent shop tour, as you can see it was a lot of fun and the food was so good!

David's living room is a showcase of his work.



David's shop is very neat, orderly and even dusted!!



Jim Ferry and I don't know and Nancy Quick-Brewer and David Gillespie exchange thoughts.

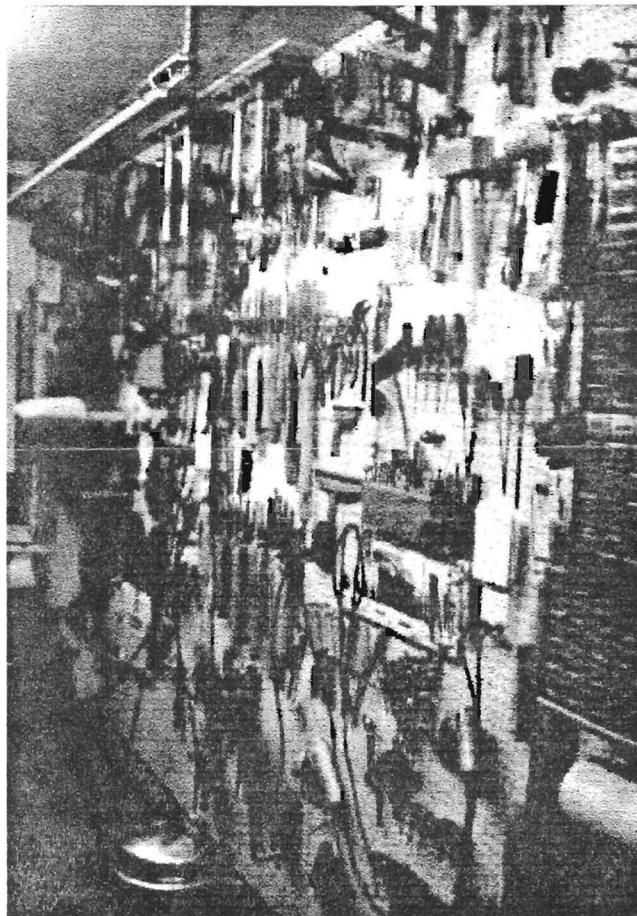


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All David's "enlisted pukes" standing at attention waiting for inspection and than military drill!



Rocky Mountain Woodturners Member Information for 1999

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Phone: _____ Email: _____

Method of Payment Cash: _____ Check: _____ Money Order: _____

Are you a 1999 Member of the AAW? Yes: _____ No: _____

Please PRINT clearly and turn form into Jim Ferry with your money.

or Mail it to: Jim Ferry
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Fort Collins, CO 80524