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# AS THE WOOD TURNS

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February 2004

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## A Turning To Dye For



Andy Osborne's torquoise Paulownia (Empress Tree)  
bowl colored with water based aniline dye

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### Next Meeting

Tuesday, February 24th, 2004, 7:00 P.M.

At Hank Cahill's *Dust Bowl*

Refreshments by: Dave Hutchins

Member Challenge: Wooden top with  
launcher, see pic & mag. article on page 2

Demonstration: TBD

## Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at Hank Cahill's Dust Bowl

### President's Report and General Business

An approaching snow storm kept our southern (RI) members from attending the meeting and Mr. Inside-Outside, our demonstrator, cancelled do to an early morning flight (escape) to Phoenix.

Correspondence: Hank received our AAW insurance policy from Northern Capitol Insurance Company.

The South Shore Habitat Birdhouse show will be at the South Shore Plaza April 23, 24, & 25. Drop off for pieces is April 3,10,17. Bring Birdhouses to Hank and he will bring to drop off location.

The Onset Art Society will hold an exhibit August 21st. Display/booth forms available from Hank.

A Oneway Lathe catalog was received.

Lyle Jameson will be in the area for demonstrations in November 2004. Hank will contact him and make arrangements for a possible demo.

Ernie has resigned as CNEW newsletter editor and Norm Mancuso has taken the position.

Hank will be ordering more of the Diamond Stones that sell for \$22 each for those members who ordered them but missed out on the last shipment.

Jeff will be organizing our display at The Norwell Library from February 7 to end of month. Mal will supply MSSW exhibit cards, literature and posters.

Mal reported that Chris Tsioropoulos has had surgery and is now recuperating. The entire membership wishes him well and we all look forward to seeing him in the near future.

Wally reported that black super glue turns solid. A discussion was held on proper storage and it was suggested epoxy be used instead.

Our treasury contains \$1692 plus membership renewals coming in.

Lenny the Librarian reported that the AAW Sharpening video is available as is a Sorby lathe tool video. A small book Woodturning Notes (a must read) by Allan Batty is now in the library.

Ron's letter to AAW was discussed and he agreed to draft a new letter. Editors note: Ron has contacted me and he realizes that nothing said is going to change the results of the past election, therefore it was agreed he would not stir the pot again. See my E-mail to Ron >

John Murphy reported that The Fuller Museum is expanding the classrooms in the woodworking area. Teachers are needed and John spoke about a woodturning show and instructing. He has items in the gift shop. The museum has a new president.

Andy Osborne reported that The Center For Furniture Craftsmanship, Rockford, ME is holding woodturning courses in June and July; Introduction to Turning by Stephen Gleasner, Creativity on the Lathe by Michael Hosaluk, Woodturning Fundamentals, by Alan Lacer and Turning Bowls and More by Betty Scarpino. Check out their web site for details:

<http://www.woodschoool.com/calendar.html>

Lenny suggested we organize a youth woodturning program. David Fountain will set up a committee to contact other woodturning groups who have such programs and to possibly obtain an AAW grant.

Ken Lindgren purchased a new grinder and offered his old one to a lucky member.

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## Of Interest to Woodturners

Lee Valley & Veritas January 2004 Catalog contains seven pages devoted to woodturning including.

*Woodwork Magazine* February 2004, Turning Rings, Rods, Brackets & Finials for curtains. Page 53.

*Woodwork Magazine* April 2004, A Turner's Sandpaper Rack. Page 70. A Turned Wooden Top, A variation on an Old-Fashioned Toy. Page 72



Ron,

I think your right. The discussion continues and the current board is taking steps to prevent future problems. Minutes of the last board meeting are available. The following is from the AAW forum at:  
[http://www.woodturner.org/aaw\\_forums/](http://www.woodturner.org/aaw_forums/)

Just a brief update for anyone who is interested... My copy of the December Board Meeting minutes arrived in today's mail. They were just recently approved and mailed on the 27th. I would suggest to anyone who is interested in the issues that are being discussed that you request a copy of them. Clearly some board members felt that the remedy for the elections transgressions were inadequate.

To me, the minutes only underscore a need for the board to outline the tangible steps that are being planned to resolve these issues and then regularly report to the membership on their progress toward achieving them.

Craig Smith, President, Turners Anonymous  
Pittsburgh, PA  
[www.turnersanonymous.org](http://www.turnersanonymous.org)

Check out the forum for thoughts of other groups.  
Another interesting post:

The election issues of late have been tenuous to say the least. But I believe the AAW will be a stronger and better organization because of it. The membership and the board have and will, continue to make tough calls. We will continue to be watchful for our organization, as that's our job. When things breakdown we'll fix them together and move the AAW forward.

Improprieties of one thing or another will continue to be bantered throughout the membership from time to time, as they are within many growing organization. These should be of concern to both the board and membership, Methods of checks and balances for all our concerns are necessary. The board understands how important it is for your confidence and recognizes any cloud of impropriety or even the perception of impropriety is of the greatest concern. One current cloud has to do with how a board member accepted work and the elements and circumstances surrounding him accepting that work. Did it constituted a violation of ethics or create a conflict of interest.?. – This issue came upon us when DIY TV offered board member Dave Hout a position to host a series of woodturning shows and he accepted. Dave had been the liaison to DIY while at the past symposium and weeks later was offered the hosting job for these new woodturning programs.

Because things are never quite as simple as they seem- and it's easy to get mired in the he said" she said" dialogue. What has come out of addressing this particular situation was initiating the formation of an ethics review committee. But,

## 2 MSSW/CNEW Collaborative Pieces



Hank's tapered bowl enhanced with decorative texture and base by CNEW member



Wally went nuts and split CNEW piece and turned acorn into squirrel

**Did you forget?**  
**Dues are due!**  
**Wally Kemp, Treasurer**

until we have that committee and its guidelines in place- this cloud hangs! To help alleviate the cloud, Dave tenured his resignation to the board. While the board and Dave support DIY as a viable way to promote woodturning for the AAW, both recognize the volatility of this current issue and the necessity to act now for the best of the organization.

Phil Brennon, AAW President

Relax now and get back to turning!  
Mal



# Show & Tell

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Mike Veno's cherry bowl and his first twist with variable pitches

Ron's Manzanita burl and cherry/walnut trivot and turning fixture



Photo of Richard's Brazilian cherry newel posts



Ken's beautiful box elder spalted burl bowl



Jeff's assorted wooden spoons & spatula



Dave's pen turned at Peter Teubel's class at WOODCRAFT



Don's first turning in 44 years - from douglas fir for wooden Xmas tree top



John Murphy's Apple bowl



Wally's trivot and pieces from bowl center stock - they could have been chips on the shop floor!