



Pikes Peak Woodturners

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ECKMAN TURNS AGAIN

Derek Ecker showed us how to make a wooden hat. He began by describing how he arrives at a size for a hat to fit a unique person. Then he chucked up some wet pear wood and cranked up the lathe. He primarily makes a hat size out of the wood on hand. Starting between centers he roughed out the round and cut a mortise to chuck up the brim side of the hat in an expanding chuck. Once chucked up, he created the shape he desired and left a tenon on the top. Careful tool control is necessary to avoid a lot of sanding on the wet wood. Sanding will heat up and dry the wood out, resulting in cracks and distortion. Derek burned the band onto the hat.

The hat is flipped around and grabbed by the top tenon to hollow out the inside and finish the bottom of the rim. He is careful to maintain an even wall thickness to prevent any surprises while drying. remember to leave enough wood on the top to remove the tenon and create the shape of the hat top.

when the inside is correct he turns it around again and jam chucks it onto a hollow fixture mounted in the cole jaws of his expanding check. He also uses a light bulb mounted on a section of lamb tube which is pushed through the headstock and connected to a power source. The light glows transparent through the top as he turns away the wood to finalize the crown.

Off the lathe he mounts the hat into the jig shown on the right above, to shape the hat and brim. He uses rubber bands and the threaded rod of the fixture to develop the shape. Thank you for a great demonstration.

April Demonstration by Ed Davidson



Ed will demonstrate making a one-piece yo-yo, perfectly balanced, with no glue holding the sides and axle together. String and rubber bumpers will be handed out during the demo to those who want to make a yo-yo for our May meeting, and compete for President's Challenge prizes. We'd like for everyone to try making a yo-yo or two for the May meeting, so we can have a nice selection to donate to a good cause, like a local children's hospital ward.

MAY DEMONSTRATION BY BORIS

Boris Kruslic will be the man on the podium in May. He will demonstrate wood turning tool use and techniques. His focus will be on establishing good fundamentals so you, the turner, may accomplish any project you choose.

THE PERPETUAL BOWL RAFFLE

Jim Carey won the Perpetual Bowl in March and will bring a turning to the April meeting. We could take bets, will he bring a basket style turning or a mesquite plate?



The perpetual bowl is an event of each monthly meeting to increase interest in the raffle and allow club members to build their collection of turnings by other turners. I first saw this practice at the San Diego woodturners club meeting many years ago and they allowed us to copy their format.

It is also a great way to use that wood you won in the raffle.

Remember, the first ticket drawn at the raffle wins the perpetual bowl. That winner may decline the opportunity to create the next Perpetual Bowl

Member Information exchange

If your listed item has been sold, please inform me so that I may update the list. If you have an item to sell or other information to exchange please contact me at (719) 634-8158 or asawyerb@adelphia.net.

Submission deadline is:

FIRST THURSDAY AFTER THE MEETING.

An item will be listed for three months, then deleted.

Lathe Indexing Retrofit Kit...for 1" and 1 1/4" heartsick spindles. Retrofit your 1" X 8tpi JET Mini, 1 1/4" X 8 tpi Powermatic or just about any other lathe with this kit. The kit includes a 24 or 36 hole indexing wheel (your choice), the stop assembly and retaining nut, all for \$55.00 for the 1" (small wheel) setup and \$70.00 for the 1 1/4" (large wheel) setup plus a nominal shipping charge. Contact Dick Breckon at (719) 597-9718

Cripple Creek natural turquoise. Not stabilized or colored, the real stuff right out of the ground, cleaned and packaged. Rocks...\$12.00 oz; Crushed...1 pkt. powder, 1 pkt. medium flakes and 1 pkt. large chips for \$15.00 oz. This 3 packet mixture is ready to inlay using either CA glue or epoxy. Call Larry Fox at (719) 686-9883.

Woodturner Bumper Stickers ... all proceeds go to the club's treasury.

Group purchases: go to:
www.yoyospin.com/ppw/group
To find out the latest group buy offers.

Rocky Mountain School of Woodturning

Classes are beginning in January

The school is located in La Porte Colorado and offers a range of classes. For more information: Rocky Mountain School of Woodturning
4625 Kiva Dr., La Porte, CO 80535
970-221-4382 e-mail to; LLJTC4X4149@cs.com

Have you paid your dues for 2006. If your mail label has a **no** under the zip code then my record says you did not. If I am in error please contact me or Dick Breckon to correct the mistake.

I updated a few members lst month. If you still are off the paid member list next month, sorry, no news letter.

Pueblo Woodturners

Next meeting: April 12 7:00 to 9:00 PM
second wednesday of the month
Contact: Dick Booth 719-543-3164
for meeting location or if you volunteer to demonstrate.

Pikes Peak Woodturners would like to thank **Les Newby** and **Woodcraft** for allowing us to use their facilities for our meetings.

MENTORS

Dick Breckon	597-9718
Dennis Korth	634-1260
Papa Joe Aquila	548-9908

March SHOW AND TELL



The show and tell table was loaded with a cornucopia of great turnings. Papa Joe had a great stand of bottle stoppers and hand mirrors. That magnifying mirror was a little scary when I looked into it. Dale had lots of pieces he was working on for his show at the airport. If you are on the concourse check out his welcoming presentation to visitors of our city. Ed's cabochons are really unique and deceptive. I kept trying to touch the insert with no success. The clear layer is very clear.



Dennis Liggett, don't forget the threaded stopper!



Papa Joe turns up with more beautiful bottle stoppers



Dale Scott, turned and burned



Jim Carey weaves another story



Narsha utilized this dyed aspen form the raffle.

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Meeting Minutes

Pikes Peak Woodturners
March Meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM by president Ed Davidson.

Ed introduced our two newest members : Bob Kordula and Ralph Taylor.

Ed Also introduced Derek Ecker as the Demo Presenter for the evening.

Ed also reminded everyone about the Utah and the AAW 2006 National Symposiums both in June of this year. He also put out a call for Christmas decorations to be donated to the AAW who will in turn donate them to a charitable organization .

John Tulloch Has done a great job of bring outstanding programs to us so for this year and has more great programs lined up. Ed Davidson is doing our April program, which will be a challenge program on turning Yo-yos. He will teach use how at the April meeting then we go home and turn our own yo-yos and bring them back to the next meeting and have a contest with high dollar prizes to which work the best or worst or whatever and then donate them to the club for some event later. Then John has conned Boris Krsulic to do a revisit to some basic turning techniques for our May meeting.

John is still working to get Soren Berger from New Zealand to do a special demonstration for Saturday July 15th.

Tony Bevis did the instant gallery and Jim Carey was the lucky winner of the perpetual bowl a Oak Goblet turned by Bill Lavoie.

Derek Ecker kept everyone on the edge of their chairs during his demonstration on how to turn very very thin hats, It takes guts to be a pro and you certainly prove that Derek, you did gooder and gooder.

Adjourned, respectfully submitted, Jim Carey, Sec.

SPRING CLEANING

Please your wife and clean out the garage before she does it. Bring that excess wood to the club raffle. Then you will have more room for more wood!

Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

BOARD MEETING DATE SET

Our next Board meeting will be Thursday, 6 April beginning at 4:00pm at the Swan Palace Chinese restaurant (5605 N. Academy). All members are welcome to come and offer any constructive suggestions they may have.

My thanks to Jim Carey for the minutes.



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Next Meeting: Thursday April 6 at 6:30 PM



Pikes Peak Woodturners ***Welcome Visitors and New Members***

A one year membership in the Pikes Peak Woodturning club requires a \$60.00 investment. This includes the \$40.00 American Association of Woodturners membership and American Woodturner Journal subscription. Members under 18 years old receive free local membership and have to join the AAW.

Mail your check out to **Pikes Peak Woodturners**

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next: PPW Meeting

first Thursday, every month

April 6, Thursday

Location: WOODCRAFT
5669 N. Academy
(in Erindale Center)

Phone: 719-266-9889

Time: 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM