



## OFFICERS:

- President – Ken D’Ambrosio
- Vice President – Steve Imms
- Secretary – George Nazareth
- Treasurer – Bob Hopkins

<http://members.cox.net/ocean-woodturners/>: Ocean Woodturners Website

Webmaster: Member, Dick Larowe

## August, 2004 “Turnings”

**Attendance:** About 30 members were in attendance at our July meeting.

**Vice President, Steve Imms** opened the meeting.

**Secretary, George Nazareth** brought up the **Arrowmont Totem Pole Project**. The AAW is encouraging Chapters to create segments for these totem poles which will reflect the creativity of each chapter. Each chapter’s segment should measure no more that 21 inches in height and 21 inches in diameter with a centered hole capable of sliding over a 3½ inch steel pole. Each segment should be finished to withstand Tennessee’s weather extremes. George Nazareth suggested that a two-part epoxy finish would probably be an ideal finishing material. **George** reported that he had e-mailed **Ken D’Ambrosio** about this project and Ken was enthused about it and wanted it brought up at this meeting. The membership voted that Ken D’Ambrosio spearhead this project.

**George Nazareth** reported that the **AAW 2004 Symposium** needs volunteer auctioneers. Since our in-house auctioneer is Ken D’Ambrosio, It was suggested that Ken volunteer if he is planning on attending the Symposium. (It doesn’t pay to miss a meeting, Ken)

**Video Camera: Steve Imms** reported that he is still attempting to get a free video camera from a **Wal-Mart** promotion, but if that fails in the next month, he will buy one for our next meeting.

**Angelo Iafate** reported that there is available a \$40 kit of sandpaper for pen making that can be purchased for \$21 per kit. These kits have all grits needed for sanding pens up to 12,000 grit. There is enough sandpaper to last a long time. The finest grits were originally developed for polishing the canopies of airplanes. To view the contents of the kits, visit their website at: [www.micro-surface.com](http://www.micro-surface.com). Bob Hopkins will report in more detail at the August meeting.

**Angelo Iafate** stated that 162 pens were mailed out for the **Freedom Pen Project**. **Angelo** asked for a motion, which was made and passed to purchase 100 pen kits. Curly Maple blanks for these 100 pens have been sent out to be dyed in red white and blue and then stabilized with resin. These pen kits will be for our September 5<sup>th</sup> Pen-a-Rama (more on this later in newsletter)

## Demonstration

**John Chakuroff** demonstrated the turning of a loving cup with two captive rings. John uses very few tools in his turnings. His favorites are his parting tool, which he uses for most of his work and an old file with its narrow handle bent and sharpened for turning the 2 captive rings. During the demonstration, John's old buddy, **Bob Iuliano**, kept kibitzing with John to the point where John invited Bob up to the front to watch the demonstration up close. After turning off the 2 captive rings, John also demonstrated how to sand the captive rings while they were still rotating around the stem of the loving cup.



## Website Update

As some of you may already know, our website has been down for a few weeks. Dick Larowe and Jeff Mee have been trying to work out the problems with Cox.net. It turns out that due to a minimum file size structure at Cox that our website is now too large to be handled by a single individual account. Dick has started to look at spanning the website over multiple accounts. We already use two accounts, one for the web page and a second for the newsletter files. Jeff has started investigating hosting companies and domain names and will make a presentation at the next meeting.

**Another Pen-A-Rama**  
**Sunday, September 5, 2004 at 10:00 AM**  
**Woodcraft Store in East Greenwich, RI**  
**These 100 pens are for the Rhode Island**  
**Purple Heart recipients from the Iraq**  
**and Afghanistan conflicts**

# Show and Tell



- #1 **Rich Lemieux:** a segmented bowl of Holly and ebony
- #2 **Rich Lemieux:** a cherry vase
- #3 **Dan Warren:** a platter of Catalpa
- #4 **Dan Warren:** a bowl of Catalpa
- #5 **David Barwise:** a segmented candy dish of Walnut and Maple
- #6 **Dan Warren:** a weed pot of Chestnut
- #7 **Mickey Goodman:** a square bowl of a reddish unknown wood
- #8 **Angelo Iafrate:** two of his Magician's hidden ball tricks
- #9 **Rick Sousa:** a small maple bowl
- #10 **Rick Sousa:** a walnut bowl

**Angelo** explained the extremely close tolerances that he has to maintain in turning these Magician's hidden ball tricks. He also states that there are only 5 people in the US who are turning these hidden ball tricks.

During our show and tell, Mr. Phil Bourque was introduced. He showed us a magnificently carved Rhode Island Red Rooster that was carved by his father, Julian Bourque in 1984.

**Next Meeting**  
**Thursday, August 19, 2004 7:00 PM**  
**At Woodcraft, East Greenwich, RI**  
**Demonstration**  
**George Nazareth with members Anthony Scuncio, Wayne Collins, Rich Lemieux, Tony Bancalari, Larry Bitgood, Bernie Feinerman, and David Barwise will display and discuss the candy dishes they turned with minimal input from George**

# Additional New Business

**Angelo Iafrate** brought up the fact that our club has recently donated to two charities. **The Freedom pens** for our service men and women in Iraq and Afganistan, and the **Bowl-a-Rama for the Edgewood Children's ranch in Orlando, Florida**. He suggested that the club have an auction of donated wood, bowls and vases at our Annual Club Outing at Cold Spring Community Center on Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2004. Angelo further suggested that the Ocean Woodturners donate the proceeds from this auction to George Nazareth's favorite charity, **The ARC of Northern Rhode Island**. Members can get information about this organization which supports Developmentally Disabled people by going on-line at [www.arcofnri.org](http://www.arcofnri.org) . **George's** youngest daughter is assisted in her work and living arrangements by this organization. George promises to donate one of his segmented turnings for this auction, and hopes others do the same.

**Raffle:** \$22.00 was raised on the raffle this month.

## AAW 2004 Symposium Update

Two Members of Ocean Woodturners attended the AAW 2004 Symposium in Orlando Florida, Angelo Iafrate and Jeff Mee. Angelo is also a board member of the AAW and had a big hand in making this Symposium run. The Symposium had a total of about 870 AAW members attending. Over 110 bowls were donated to the Edgewood Children's Ranch through the generosity of AAW members. The Auction after the Saturday evening banquet generated over \$48,000 for the Educational Opportunity Grant (EOG) fund. Our Junior Ocean Woodturners are one of the past recipients of a grant from this fund. Below are a few pictures from the Instant Gallery and the Collaborative Challenge.

