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April, 2006 “Turnings”

To begin our March, 2006 meeting, **Rudi Hempe** introduced **Chris Modisette**, the **Resource Conservation and Development Coordinator for the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)** Not even his wife is quite sure just what he does. **Chris** explained to us that this year is the 100th anniversary of Forestry as a vocation, and to celebrate this event in Rhode Island, they are having a “**2006 Forestry and Wood Expo**” on **April 7 & 8, 2006**. **The goal of the Expo is to promote the use of locally-grown forest products in the building and manufacturing industries, along with the promotion of small enterprises that utilize local forest products.**

Chris Modisette related that loggers and other wood professionals are unaware of the needs of woodturners. The burls found on trees in the forests are considered junk to be discarded by loggers, so they are left to rot in the woods. **Chris** thought that there needs to be a dialogue between us as woodturners and forestry professionals, so that many burls can be salvaged for our needs.

George Snyder of Woodcraft has invited the **Ocean Woodturners** to use part of his booth which he has rented, for us to demonstrate woodturning. Friday, April 7, will be a day for forestry people to meet with business people and professionals in the wood and lumber industries. Saturday, April 8 will be open to the public with an admission fee of \$10. **Mike Murray, Larry Dunklee, and Jeff Mee** will be there on Friday demonstrating.

Treasurer’s Report: Bob Hopkins reported a balance of \$2,356.37

Raffle Income: This month the raffle of logs for turning netted \$54.00

Guests: Richard Lutrario, Ray Johnson, Earl L. Randall, David S. Edgerly, Ben Kuiper, and David Medeiros. Ray Johnson, Earl Randall, David Edgerly, Ben Kuiper and David Medeiros paid their \$10 dues and joined the Ocean Woodturners. Welcome all!

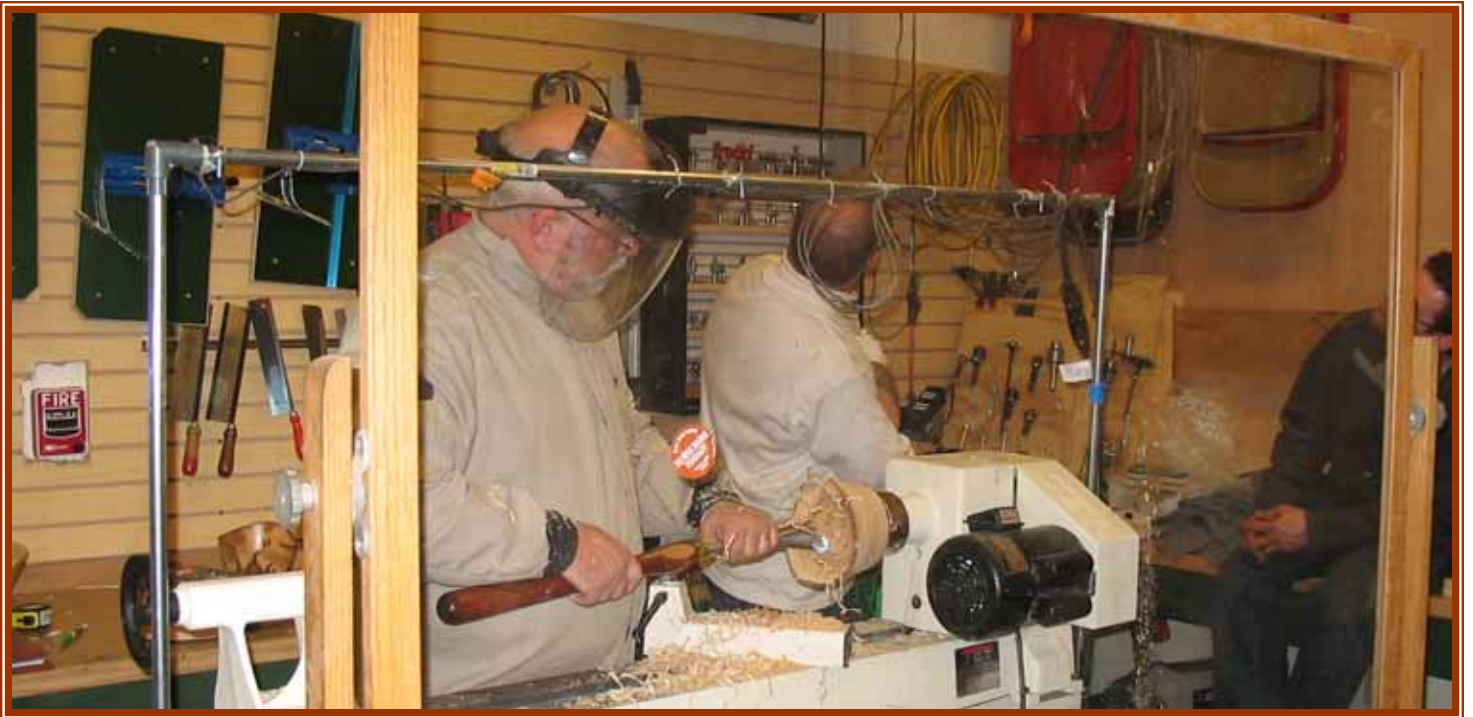
Wayne Collins stated that he is trying to get noted turners to demonstrate for his Tiverton Middle School group. Some turners that he mentioned were Bob Rosand, Bill Grumbine, and

Beth Ireland. He says that we all could save money if we combined our efforts with one demonstration, possibly at the Tiverton Middle School.

Demonstration

Bob O'Connor and Mickey Goodman took turns on the lathe and demonstrated the skills that they learned at the workshop of **Ken Dubay**.

All the remote cameras were operational during this demonstration, thanks to the work of Curt Mason. It was enjoyable to be able to look at the monitor and see everything “up close”.



Mickey Goodman turning the natural-edged bowl



Up really close with Mickey Goodman at the lathe



Show and Tell

There were more Show and Tell turnings than usual this month

Greg Marshall: The very large burl bowl in the back center

Greg Marshall: a Black Cherry and White Birch lamp in the back on the right side

Bob O'Connor: Three natural-edged Bowls-in back on left side Ambrosia Maple

Bob O'Connor: a Box Elder Bowl-third item from left in front

Bob O'Connor: a low Bowl of Mimosa to right of segmented bowl

Bob O'Connor: a high sided Bowl of Red Maple-to the right of Greg's large burl bowl

Wayne Collins: 2 Oak bowls, 2 Maple Bowls and a red Elm Bowl all on the left side

George Nazareth: a segmented Bowl of Cherry, Walnut, Purple Heart, Oak and Maple

Rick Sousa: All the assorted 9 bowls, including his first natural-edged bowl, on the right side of table.



**A close-up of George Nazareth's Segmented Bowl
(Editor's prerogative)**

Mike Murray wants all members to turn one or more Christmas ornaments for the AAW Symposium. All the Christmas ornaments will be brought to the 2006 Symposium which will be held June 22-24 in Louisville, Kentucky by Angelo Iafrate. They will be used in their “return to the community” project

Next Meeting

Thursday, April 20, 2006 7:00 PM

Woodcraft

1000 Division St. East Greenwich, RI

We will be discussing having a summer outing with a Pot Luck lunch

Demonstration at the April Meeting

There will be a discussion about the various finishes that Members use on their turnings. One of our members will Moderate the discussion. We will include such things as the sandpaper grits to sand the wood, and the grit to use to sand between coats. We will also discuss methods of applying finishes such as wiping and spraying.