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March, 2007 "Turnings"

President, Jeff Mee opened the February, 2007 meeting. Jeff recognized 4 guests who were with us this evening. They were **Chuck Dawson, Stefan Tabak, Henry Whited, and Bob Shepard.** Before the meeting was over, all 4 guests had joined the **Ocean Woodturners.**

Treasurer Bob Hopkins reported a balance of \$1,467.

Don't forget that the Tiverton Middle School Craft fair will be held Saturday March 24, 2007 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Anyone still wanting a 6ft X 6ft space for \$30, can call Fair Chairperson, Sharon Hamden, at 508-674-5132 to see if any are still available.

We were hoping that Angelo Iafrate would show up at this meeting to discuss the Melvyn Firmager demonstration. We discussed that the demonstration would be Saturday, July 7, 2007 and the hands-on training session for either 3 or 6 people would be on Sunday, July 8, 2007 at Angelo Iafrate's shop.

Since Angelo Iafrate was not at the meeting to guide our discussion, your editor and secretary, George Nazareth, and president, Jeff Mee, emailed back and forth after the meeting to discuss the costs involved, and what we would have to charge per person to come close to breaking even on this event.

Jeff Mee was reluctant to make a decision alone, so he polled the executive committee composed of himself, George Nazareth, Wayne Collins and Bob Hopkins. It was decided that we will have the demonstration on Saturday, July 7th and the hands-on session at Angelo's on Sunday, July 8th. It was also agreed that we would charge \$30 for the demonstration for adults, and \$20 for anyone under the age of 21. This would allow more of our student group members to attend, and perhaps attract some RISD students.

Hopefully we will advertise this event with our other southern NE woodturning groups to add to our attendance. Lunch will be included in the fee, which makes it even more attractive. We would need about 40 attendees to break even. With an expected turnout of 40, the Library would be too small. We will have to see if Coldspring Community Center is available.

Past President, Mike Murray, who is on the Steering Committee of the Yankee Woodturning Symposium, stated that the Symposium still is in need of more volunteers for the June 1-3, 2007 event at Wesleyan University in Middletown CT.

At the next meeting on March 15, 2007, there will be a detailed discussion about the "Open Shops" meeting that will replace our April 19, 2007 regular meeting. At least three members will open their shops up for members who want to learn a specific skill. At the next meeting, we will know which members will be hosting groups who want to learn a new skill. This is a new concept that we are trying. If this proves to be popular, we may have similar "open shop" meetings in the future.

Each member will be able to choose the "open shop" he/she wants to attend.

Demonstration

George Nazareth gave a talk on Segmented Woodturning, as he does it. The entire outline of my talk would take up too much room in this newsletter, so it is available on our website:

www.oceanwoodturners.com Those who do not have computers, might ask a

friend or relative who does have a computer, to print it out for them from our website. I was very pleased personally, with the reception given by the membership to my talk.

A happy George Nazareth during his discussion



Show and Tell



L to R Mike Murray- natural- edge platter, Ron Bachand-2 laminated candlesticks, David Barwise- 2 candlesticks and a cactus holder, George Nazareth- a segmented vase, Earl Randall- a natural-edged bowl and a pen, Jeff Mee- a bowl to left of pen, 2 natural-edge bowls and 1 hidden behind a bowl, Richard Murphy- a lidded box, Mickey Goodman- 2 pierced bowls (in back), Stefan Tabek- a shallow bowl.



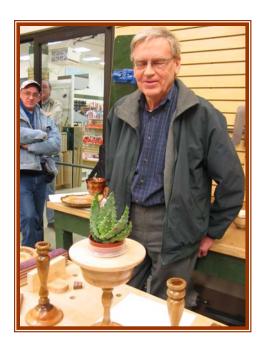
Ron Bachand holding 2 laminated nat.edged

Candlesticks



Earl Randall holding a

Bowl



David Barwise behind his beautiful turnings



Stefan Tabek proudly holding his bowl

Yankee Woodturning Symposium

http://www.yankeewoodturningsymposium.org/



June 1-3, 2007
Wesleyan University, Exley Science Center,
Middletown, CT

Demonstrators:

Mark St.Leger, Jean-Francois Escoulen, Jimmy Clews, Bob Rosand, Mark Sifiri, Johannes Michaelson, Beth Ireland, Angelo Iafrate, and Michael Hosaluk. Also local turners Al Czelecz and Norm Mancuso. GrahamOaks of NH will demonstrate for the youth group.

Next Meeting

Thursday, March 15, 2007—7:00 PM

At: Woodcraft

1000 Division St. East Greenwich, RI

Demonstration will be Mickey Goodman Showing his method of piercing turnings