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May, 2008 “Turnings”

President Jeff opened the April, 2008 meeting. Jeff asked if any guests were present, and Andrew Talan introduced himself, saying he was joining the Ocean Woodturners.

Jeff Mee asked Wayne Collins to give a review of his April 5th Craft Fair at the Tiverton Middle School. Wayne reported that 38 tables were sold along with a 50/50 raffle, making a total of \$1107.00 in income for his woodturning group. He said that, while the Fair was a financial success, he was disappointed on the turnout. They expect the November 8, 2008 Craft Fair to be better than the April Fair.

Wayne wants the Ocean Woodturners to sponsor a pen-turning event at the Tiverton Middle School because he wants to avoid a conflict of interest on his part. The teachers are in a long-standing contract dispute with the school department. A motion was made that the Ocean Woodturners sponsor two pen-turning events at the Tiverton Middle School between now and the end of the school year to teach 15 students pen-turning at each event. The motion was passed.

Fred Parker, our librarian, reported that the club has no pen-turning tapes, so he used some of his video rental income to purchase a few DVD discs. Mike Murray suggested that Fred let George Nazareth know what new DVD,s are available, so that he can let the membership know through the newsletter and e-mail notices.

Jeff Mee announced that we will be having Richard Raffin give an all day demonstration at the Wickford Library on Saturday, June 28, 2008. We do need volunteers for this event.

Because this event is so close to our regular monthly meeting, it was decided that the June regular meeting at Woodcraft will be cancelled.

Angelo Iafrate will have Richard Raffin giving individual one-on-one lessons at his home workshop on Sunday, June 29th. The total fee is \$700 which will be shared equally by the members participating. So far 3 members have signed up.

The name of Cory Anderson was brought up as a possible future demonstrator.

A long discussion followed concerning the possibility of splitting the responsibilities of the duties of some of our officers. George Nazareth expressed that his job as Secretary and Newsletter Editor is very time consuming, and he is considering giving up his position.

Wayne Collins suggested to George that he send him a break-down of his duties so that he can suggest how to lessen the load by distributing some duties to a few other members.

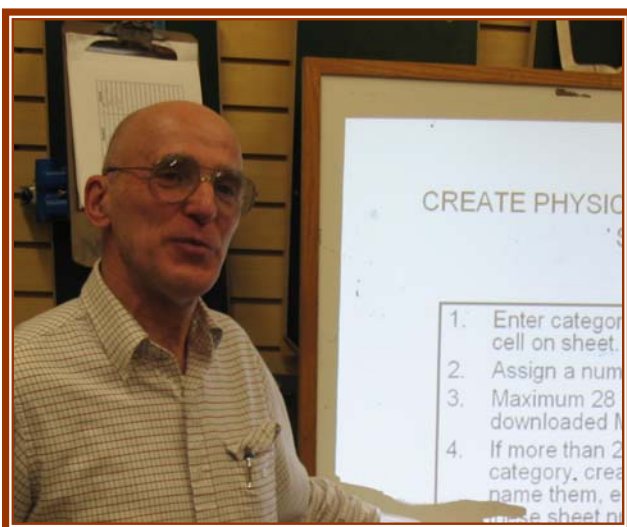
At newsletter time, here is a brief description of George's duties.

- * Takes notes at the monthly meetings.
- * Takes photos at the monthly meetings.
- * Maintains an up-to-date mail list of all members with e-mail addresses.
- * Maintains an up-to-date list of addresses of those members with no e-mail addresses.
- * Sends out notices by e-mail to members between meetings (for-sale notices from members, notices from the AAW, as well as other messages received from turning organizations)
- * Writes the newsletter (a lengthy process, especially when I type hunt and peck method).
- * E-mails the newsletters to members.
- * Prints about 19 newsletters to mail to members without e-mail.

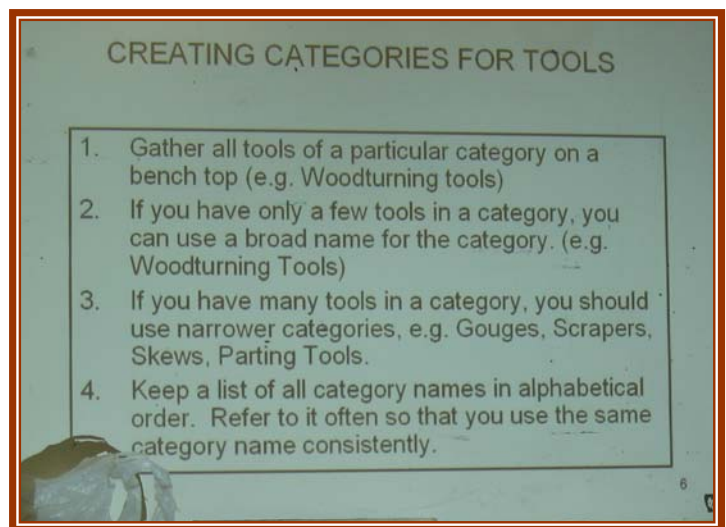
Demonstration

Frank St.Pierre demonstrated how to maintain an accurate tool inventory using Microsoft Office Program.

Frank is a retired librarian, which explains his interest in maintaining inventories. I cannot give an accurate report here on his demonstration because it was extremely extensive. He separates all his tools by category (such as woodturning tools, hammers, chisels, etc.), so that all like items appear together. He also takes photos of each item along with listing the purchase price, date of purchase, and a copy of the purchase invoice. He goes much more deeply into his record keeping than I can explain here, but I assure you it is very detailed and extensive.

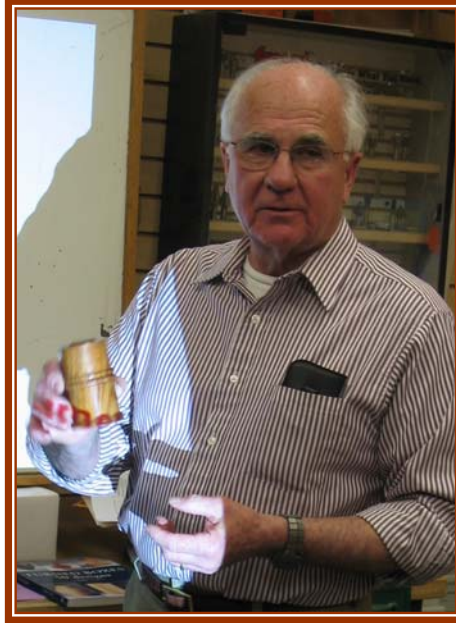


Frank explaining his system



One of Frank's 25 slides

Show and Tell



**Larry holding two pens Ed Dowd holding a lidded box, Bob O'Connor with a dish
one of about 8 he brought**

Next Meeting

Thursday, May 15, 2008

Woodcraft, 1000 Division St.

East Greenwich, RI.

Demonstration

Member, Joe Atkinson

Will demonstrate turning a lidded box

**Make note, that the June, 2008 meeting is cancelled
because the Richard Raffin demo will be held
the following Saturday, June 28, 2008**