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***Minutes of the August 5, 2010 meeting
Next meeting date is September 5 at the SteelYard in
Providence, RI***

OLD BUSINESS:

There were 30 plus people at the meeting. We had several guests, Gail Connolly of Pawtucket, Walt (??), and Bob Fray, both from the woodworkers Guild.. Both George Nazareth and Rick Sousa came to the meeting.

Bob Hopkins reported that we have \$1500 in our treasury after paying the \$100 meeting rental fee to the Rocky Hill Grange. Our membership roster has 90 members who have renewed their dues this year and 48 who have not renewed. Bob will send them a reminder to pay their dues.

Bob reported that a clock maker in Warren, RI someone to make 3-4 finials for an antique clock. No one volunteered so the sketch of the finials was given to Rick Sousa who said that he was fit enough to turn some finials.

Don Spofford's inventory of his woodturning setup, that he wants to liquidate, was passed around among the members,

Wayne passed around a sheet describing Beth Irelands "Van" project and asked the club members to consider making a donation to support her one year project. A decision was left to our next meeting.

Wayne reported that Jimmy Clewes would be in the New England area in May demonstrating at ART and possibly Cape Cod. He might be available for us assuming that we come up with a place to hold the demonstration in. His fee is \$750 plus expenses. A decision was left to a subsequent meeting

Larry Dunklee reported that our Steam engine is in working order but needs a stronger air compressor to operate. His only puts out about 4 PSI and seems to need at least 6 PSI.

NEW BUSINESS:

Meeting room -Possible places suggested so far: are: Jamestown Distributors in Bristol , Rocky Hill Grange, New England Tech building, a Factory building in Providence, and Keeseh Studio in Pawtucket

The President of Jamestown Distributors decided that their site was not available because of concerns about who would be responsible for opening and closing their building when no one who worked at Jamestown Distributors was present. The space offer was originally made by one of our club members who worked at Jamestown Distributors.

We met this month at the Rocky Hill Grange. Larry Dunklee paced off the meeting room and said it was roughly 30' x 50', plus a kitchen, and restrooms. There is ample parking space, some on grass and some on blacktop.. Rental is \$100/month except during the heating season when the rental is \$125/month. There is a 40' wide space where we could supply a locked cabinet to store our library, etc.

Wayne visited the old GE factory building near Elmwood Avenue in Providence suggested by Kevin Kempf. The site has a 1200 square foot space with a working spray booth available. Entry to the building requires the use of a Keyfob in order to provide security. Parking is available for at least 60 cars. The site has a freight elevator, and ample 110/220 volt power. A down side to this site is the buildings requirement of a 6 month minimum lease at a monthly fee of \$600 – 750/month. We could have exclusive use of that space and perhaps share it with another group

Tom Powell met with a director from the New England Technical School to determine if we could use the site on Post Road when school is in session. The talk did not get far since the school was concerned about liability insurance for our use of their site. We, the club, need to understand what our insurance coverage under the AAW covers, and does not cover, before we continue our search for space. It is possible that we might have to have to buy our own insurance policy. Bob Hopkins said he would check with someone in a local Fire Department on insurance requirements. Once we understand our insurance coverage the club can contact N.E. Technical School again.

Jack Daly reported on visiting the Steel Yard at 27 Sims Ave., Providence, RI which is near the Providence Place Mall. The Steelyard wants to pursue woodworking in addition to other craft classes they offer. Check their website www.thesteelyard.org for information about what they offer. The site is secure, has power, space, but is not currently heated from December to March. They would charge us for secure storage space (for tools. Lathe, library, etc.) but initially thought that we might get the space for free. Later telephone calls indicated that there might be a rental fee.

It was decided that the next meeting take place at the Steel Yard in Providence on Thursday September 5. pending a site visit by Wayne and as many other club members who could come. The site visit is tentatively set for Thursday, August 26 at 6 PM.. ***Look for an email after that date to lock in where our meeting will be.*** The following meeting in October might be held at the Rocky Hill Grange

Keeseh Studio, on Main St. in Pawtucket, RI, will have space in 6/12 months but no information about costs will be available until then.

AAW “Turning 25 celebration” Bernie Feinerman spoke about the club taking part in the 2011 AAW Turning 25 exhibition (<http://www.woodturner.org/sym/sym2011/Exhibit/>) “. One of the many special events there will be an exhibition, *Turning 25 – A Celebration*. Each chapter of the AAW is encouraged and welcome to enter this exhibit. The exhibit goal is to have every AAW chapter represented and for each chapter to enter a lathe-turned work that exemplifies and represents that chapter. The chapter can choose its own process for selecting a piece for the show, whether it is collaborative effort, or a chapter juried selection from members’ work. Entries for the show will be submitted online on the AAW website. Ground rules for each piece are: “

One piece per chapter
Entry fee is \$40
All pieces must remain with the exhibit for any traveled venues after the symposium

Piece must fit in an 8” cube
Entry deadline is February 28, 2011
Sales will be shared 70% with the chapter/or artist and 30% with the AAW

Weight limit is 3 pounds
All entered work must be for sale
Sold work will be shipped to the buyer at the end of all exhibits, and unsold work will be returned to the chapter

Show and Tell

Dick Cady – Norfolk Island Pine bowl and 3 bowls cored from a block of Ambrosia Maple using a Kelton coring system in Bill Smith's shop



Pictures of Donna Parillo's collection of inlaid pens, black ash burl bowl, and a bowl with copper powder filling in cracks, pictures will be supplied later. The bowls were for the Buffing demonstration that did not take place.

Earl Rand – segmented bowl, a bowl from rock Maple - both finished with wipe on Polyurethane



Bill Smith – two bowls



Paul Tavares segmented bowl



Bernie Feinerman – Live Oak vessel w/Walnut cap



Demonstration

There was no demonstration this month

Wood Swap

There was a wood swap at the meeting. Vincent DiFrenna, of Miami, brought some Mango and Cuban Mahogany to Warwick in July which was cut up and made available for the wood swap. Bill Smith donated several bags of pen blanks. Larry Dunklee donated two bottles of home made wine.

Reminder – Please update your membership data in our Oceanwoodturners group at Yahoo.com. If you have problems updating, please contact Jeff Mee at jmee@hotmail.com

Anyone with photos/ideas, of interest to the club, should send them to Henry Allsworth.henry@allsworth.com

Next Month Meeting

Thursday, September 5, 2010 Rocky at the Steel Yard

27 Sims Ave. Providence, RI

{assuming the August 26 site visit is OK}

Rick Sousa will demonstrate making Finials