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# Minutes of the April 21, 2011 meeting

Meeting opened with a moment of silence in memory of Frank Iafrate who passed away recently.

George Nazareth's daughter was a guest.

#### **Old Business**

Our Treasury has approximately \$2100. 46 people (out of 100) have renewed their memberships so far and the rest have yet to send in their dues. Anyone who has not paid their dues will be dropped from membership at the end of May. Dues for this year and are \$25 for members and \$30 for members who get newsletter mailed to them.

Mike Murray is looking into our club having a table at the 13th Annual Pawtucket Arts Festival (Sept. 9 - Sept. 18). Their web site (<a href="http://pawtucketartsfestival.org/">http://pawtucketartsfestival.org/</a>) says that festival details will be listed later this year.

Members were asked to supply some turned wooden bowls for the AAW Empty bowls project \_ see brochure accompanying this newsletter.

#### **New Business**

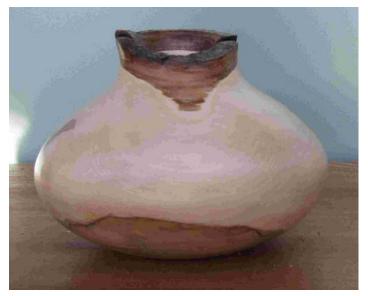
**Upcoming display at the Cranston Public Library** - Rick Lemieux distributed forms for club members to fill out when they bring their works in for display/sale Cranston Public Library. The form lists the turner, address and telephone number, and for each item: its name, dimensions, asking \$ club% and total. All items should be either brought to Gene Amaral (680 vistory Hyway, West Greenwich – 401-397-4225) or to the May club meeting

The display cases in the Cranston Library are similar to the case the club used in the Kingston library.

After much discussion the club voted that members selling any of their work at the library donate 5% of the sale to the club. This decision is only for this show and subsequent display/sales at other venues will be discussed later.

**Library update**: Rich Lemieux reported that Tom Powell has finished copying our old VHS tapes to DVD's and the old tapes may be available at an early meeting for possible raffling of to our members.

## **Show and Tell**



Donna Parillo's Ambrosia Maple natural edge bowl is finished with water based polyurethane. The inside of the bowl was hollowed using miniature sanding balls.



Paul Tavares's Segmented bowl using Mahogany and Maple. The bowl has 308 segments.

Bill Smith brought in a set of 4 cored Cherry burl bowls that were cored using the McNaughton system. He found it easier to core if each bowl had a different shape.





## **Demonstration**

Nigel Howe demonstrated using a modified Doughnut chuck for off center turning and turning odd shaped objects such as burls, or offcuts from cutting out turning blanks. He showed sample turnings and a "desk tidy" that were turned using his technique. The "desk tidy" could have a strong magnet embedded underneath and then the object could hold paper clips, etc. Nigel passed around a photo album showing his many turnings.

#### offcenter platters







Base of donut chuck



Steel faceplate is fastened to the MDF base.

Upper plate of chuck



 $\label{eq:model} \parbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\sc MDF}}}}$  is used for the donut chuck plates

Threaded bolts and hardware



He recommends buying 4 foot lengths of threaded rods and making an assortment of bolts for fastening the donut chuck and offcut together.

Clamping object inside donut chuck



Dave Rinkhaus preparing to catch the turning if it flies out



Object being turned, hand behind the tool rest









Turning object

Holding finished object

End product

Nigel uses a 5/8" bowl gouge for hollowing since it is necessary to turn with the tool extended quite far over the tool rest. He makes no attempt to bevel rub - relying on the sharpened wing of the gouge for hollowing

It is a good idea sand the object before shifting its center. Sometimes he used hot melt glue and wooden wedges to position and hold the offcut while securing it in the donut chuck. Nigel generally uses Mahoneys oil or a Urethane for finishes, but he is now trying lacquer.

# **Wood Raffle**

No raffle this month

- -- Please update your membership data in our Oceanwoodturners group at Yahoo.com. If you have problems updating, or accessing the material posted to the group, contact Jeff Mee at <a href="mee@hotmail.com">jmee@hotmail.com</a>
- --Anyone with photos/ideas, of interest to the club, should send them to Henry Allsworth.henry@allsworth.com

Next Month Meeting
Thursday, May 21 at the Cross Country Cookie Factory
112 Warren St., Pawtucket, RI

Ian Manley will demonstrate modifying plumbing fittings to making tool handles