

WNY WOODTURNERS II

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Meetings 7:30 PM; Second Thursday
Hamburg Middle School
360 Division Street
Hamburg, New York

<http://www.wnywoodturners.com>

The next scheduled meeting is Thursday, May 12, at 7:30 pm.

Kurt Hertzog will give a demo on skews

Announcements

The peppermill demo at **Barb's barn** had to be changed to 2 Friday dates on May 6th and May 13th because **Jim Hilburger** has conflicts on the Sat. dates.

The President's Corner by Kurt Hertzog

This month we'll have our school donation contest. Bring in your items that we'll give to the school staff for their kindness and hospitality. We'll put them all together and have a vote on them. We'll award cash prizes for \$35 each for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places. Of course, everyone's a winner and they'll all go to the school staff. The turned gifts are a small token of our appreciation and the prizes are a bit of incentive for the membership. We have a great meeting place and this is our "thank you". Please participate in any way you can.

It's time to organize our charity efforts for the year. In past years, we've used the Woodworking Shows as our venue. With their demise, we used the Toy Fest last year. The weather was uncooperative and the club participation was not as large as we hoped for. We're now at a crossroads. We need to reserve our space in the Toy Fest if we want to participate. It costs us two booth fees to raise money from our turned donations. The money raised goes to our selected charity.

I would like to suggest an alternative based on the current situation. We selected our charity based on one of our members' affiliation with it. Our member is no longer affiliated with that organization. While it is still a good cause, there is no special attachment to it any longer. We pay for two spots in the Toy Fest for our charitable work. Our efforts to secure complimentary spaces have been unsuccessful. We have an opportunity to change our venue, raise money for a worthy charity, and have some fun as well.

I would like to propose that we participate with Turners 1 in their Erie County Fair efforts. The Fair runs from Wednesday, August 10th to Sunday, August 21st. We could participate with the Turners 1 and solve several problems. First, the two clubs combined would be able to easily staff the event rather than heavily relying on the few who are always overburdened with these tasks. Second, there is no booth fee so that expense is eliminated. That was just a cost to us and never did help the charity in any way. Third, we have members of both clubs in our club. This combined effort will allow them to work and help with the charity fundraising process without having two clubs pulling for their time and effort. Lastly, the participation from our club members might be higher since working at the Fair has some perks in addition to the good feeling of raising money for charity. By signing up to work a three-hour shift, you receive a free parking pass for the day and a free pass into the fair. You are welcome to enjoy the Fair before and after your "work" shift. The charity that the Turners 1 donates to is the Make A Wish Foundation of WNY. Certainly a worthy cause for the members of our club as we're all in WNY. The suggestion is that we forego our individual club effort and combine efforts with Turners 1. Give it some thought and we'll discuss it at the upcoming meeting.

President Kurt Hertzog opened the promptly at 7:30 by welcoming guests **Elaine & Ron Niedziela, Dan Radice and Don Ross.**

Treasurer Jay Ferrand reported the following for the month of March 2005

STARTING BALANCE \$2,785.98

DESCRIPTION	PETTY CASH EXPENSE	PETTY CASH RECIEPT	PETTY CASH BALANCE	BANK ACCOUNT EXPENSE	BANK ACCOUNT RECEIPT	BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE	TOTAL CLUB BALANCE
MEMBER DUES		20.00			20.00		
50/50 RAFFLE		23.50					
SECRETARY EXPENSE				15.80			
MEMBER DONATION					5.00		
TOTALS		43.50	416.18	15.80	25.00	2422.50	2,838.68

Vice President Ann Raby reported a demo will be given by **Ann Raby, Muriel Kummer and Jim Hilburger** on basic turning and shop tips.

Old Business presenters and ideas for demos are needed please see **Ann**. A book on wood ID was purchased and was added to the library. A contest for items made for the school personal will be held at the May meeting. The payout will be for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

Safety Corner Ann Raby handed out a pamphlet on chemical resistant gloves.

New Business summer meetings will be held at **Barb's** barn and **Jed'** barn.

Show & Tell

Jerry Rucker showed a John Deere tractor he built.

Jake Demski square turning and a ring goblet

Muriel Kummer wine stoppers

Paul Boland first bowl and weed pot

Jim Hilburger refrigerator magnets

Rich Mialki yoyo and wood pens

Gordon Fritz box elder and apple wood peppermills

Ron Fultz a rehabbed bird feeder and spalted salt and peppermill

Bob Collins first bowl

Roman Wierzbicki showed a weed pot and bowl he made for his girl friend

Rick Wierzbicki peppermill and small plate

Greg Csonka first bowl

Ron Hudson small bowl

John Chavanne spalted bowl

Kurt Hertzog tops that he donated and a small bowl

Debbie & Mike Hachey small scopes and trivets

DEMO

Ann Raby, Muriel Kummer and **Jim Hilburger** gave great demos. **Ann** gave a demo on basic turning and lathe safety. **Muriel** did wine stoppers and burnishing. **Jim** demonstrated ways of saving money making your own sanding discs and refrigerator magnets.

Lost & Found

Our presenters and members sometime leave things or miss place things at the meetings so if you find something left at a meeting just give it to an officer and we will make sure it is returned. **Jake Debski** is missing a cart if you have a cart and you don't know where it came from chances are it is Jake's. **Please** return it to him at the next meeting.

Elmer's Corner

Hockey pucks halt tool stand vibration

Many of my stationary power tools came mounted on open metal stands. The stands support the machines just fine, but vibration makes them shift and shimmy across the smooth concrete floor of my shop.

Rather than bolt them in place, I found another solution that stops the vibration, yet lets me move the tools around. Using Forstner bits, I drilled holes for mounting bolts in ice hockey pucks (not street hockey pucks), where shown *below*. The rubber pucks provide solid footing for the tool stand legs, and slide easily on the floor.

-Joseph Wasnorowicz, Beacon, N. Y.

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