

High Desert Turning

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Calendar Year Membership: \$25 individual, \$30 family
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NEXT REGULAR NMWT MEETING

April 7, 2018
9:00 A.M. to 3 P.M. with a 30 minute lunch break. (Lunch will be available for \$5.)

Presenting Jerry Kermode:

New Mexico Woodturners brings in a professional demonstrator annually. In April 2018, our professional demonstrator is Jerry Kermode (check out his website at www.jerrykermode.com). Not only is Jerry a skilled artist, he is also a gifted teacher. Jerry will do a full day (9am-3pm) demonstration on Saturday April 7, 2018 at our meeting space at Woodworkers' Supply. We will organize lunch (\$5) on-site.

FUTURE PROGRAMS/ ACTIVITIES

April 7	JERRY KERMODE: PROFESSIONAL
May 5	TBA

PRESIDENTS COVE



Welcome to April 2018! We are very excited to have Jerry Kermode present a full-day demonstration on Saturday April 7, 2018. The demonstration will go from 9am to a bit after 3pm. Jerry is a great demonstrator and also an outstanding teacher. While the hands-on classes Sunday April 8 to Wednesday April 11 are full, you can contact our vice president Rick Judd if you'd like to be put on a wait-list for the hands-on classes.

A few reminders: We will not be having an instant gallery, nor will we be taking photos of members' items. The club is organizing lunch (so you don't have to go out to lunch or pack lunch); bring an extra \$5 to pay for lunch. (Also bring an extra "extra \$5" to buy a raffle ticket—we will be doing a raffle). Please—we do need help with getting lunch organized. If your spouse, partner, or other family member can help Sally Breeden, she'd greatly appreciate a few extra people to help.

If you are not a member of the national association (American Association of Woodturners or AAW, www.woodturner.org), I highly recommend you join. Here's a video tip from AAW introducing turning a yo-yo: <https://vimeo.com/252509876> (the full video is here: <https://vimeo.com/223475147>)

A few additional announcements:

- Bill Zerby is offering a two-day sharpening clinic on April 21 and April 22 (Saturday and Sunday). Look for the article in the newsletter.

- We are working on having a short "FUNdamentals of spindle turning" class on May 18, 19, and 20 (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday). This class is intended for new turners, and by the end of the class, you will be able to safely and independently make items such as rolling pins, spurtles, massage sticks, or vases.

Hy Tran, President

April Safety Tip:

Woodturners wear smocks not just because they are cool-looking accessories—they provide some protection to you. The smock will prevent chips and dust from getting into your pants and down your shirt. Another equally important function of the smock is that it will keep chips and dust from clinging to your shirt, so when you re-enter the house, you won't be tracking as much wood chips and dust.

Turners' smocks are generally made of a tightly woven synthetic fabric; wood chips don't snag on the fabric, so you can just shake the smock and get the chips to fall off. They are

generally short-sleeved (long sleeves could get caught in spinning wood).

Our club will start taking orders for personalized smocks at the May 2018 meeting; we have sample smocks in S/M/L sizes that you can try (the smocks run large), and if the L size is too small for you, we can also order XL and XXL sizes.

2018 MEMBERSHIP DUES

2018 Membership renewals are due!

It is that time of year again to renew your membership for next year!

- A single membership is \$25 for one year, \$45 for two and \$65 for three years
- A family membership is \$30 for one year, \$55 for two and \$80 for three years

Please see treasurer, Bill Baca at the April meeting to renew.

Or, you can mail your renewal check directly to Bill, make checks payable to NMWT and send to:
Bill Baca
40 Santa Ana Loop
Placitas, NM 87043

MARCH 2018 PRESENTATION:

Step Series Turning: Michael Alguire

Written by: John Manganaro

Michael Alguire, from Socorro, NM, has demonstrated his creativity in turning, inlay, carving and burning to our club and many others. Over his short 5 year turning experience, Michael has created numerous award-winning pieces. He gave us an insight into his step series turning, March 3, 2018.

His demonstration included turning, hollowing and carving skills using a variety of tools. For initial turning, shaping and hollowing he uses a Stewart Arm brace, Robert Sorby hollowing neck, and Ronald Campbell (now AZ Carbide) hollowing tool. Michael indicates he uses a

negative rate scrapper for a finishing cut, before sanding. He also uses a Dremel tool, a carbide and chisel for the steps and the slope.

Michael's demonstration utilized elm, which he had started in his shop and let dry and which he confirms is difficult to turn. He also did some true up work before bringing the work to the meeting. Turning such a vessel requires sharpening your tools 2 to 3 times. He indicated he like a vessel thickness of about ¼", more or less, which he measures using his shop made caliper.

Some tips for hollowing included having the curved neck beyond the tool rest and making certain you're not touching the wood when you are removing the hollowing tool from the inside of the vessel. Care is also used when entering the hollowing tool into the vessel.

After the vessel is turned, he sands it using 320 grit while still on the lathe. Since the steps are a visual emphasis to your piece and your eyes are drawn to them, make sure the other highlights are on the same side of the vessel. He then marks the steps using a pencil and his "eyeball", suggesting 2, 3 or 4 steps is enough. More steps than that can make the opening a bit too large. On a side note he mentioned that creating steps make the vessel opening appear to be oval shape rather than round.

He next draws a descending line angling from the first (top) step around the opening, again, eyeballing the slope for aesthetics. Michael spends a good deal of time getting an even slope on this line. Once the line passes his inspection, he removes the vessel from the chuck and begins the carving phase.

Michael does not use a carving stand preferring to keep the piece close to him for ease of maneuverability. He carves away wood on the descending slope, little by little, checking periodically for high spots. Once he is satisfied with the descending angle, he uses a small file to define the steps and to smooth out the rough spots

on the slope. He indicates you can burn or texture the step and the slope depending on your preference. Once the carving is done, he sands the project using 320 to 400 grit. Michael prefers Klingspor sandpaper because it is true to grit size and because he started out with that brand. To remove the tenon, Michael used a bowl-type wooden chuck. For final sanding he uses 400 grit. In the discussion following, he said he knew of no reason the tendon couldn't be removed prior to the carving, he just always carved then dealt with the challenge of re-chucking the vessel with the now asymmetrical top opening.

SHARPENING WORKSHOP

The Cutting Edge of Woodturning: A Two-Day Hands-On Workshop (Sat. 4/21 and Sun. 4/22, 10am-3:30pm each day)

No, it's not quantum entanglement—it's having a sharp tool that will slice wood efficiently and safely. Bill Zerby has experimented with a variety of sharpening methods and tools. If you have a sharpening system, Bill probably has used something like it. Come to his house in Rio Rancho for a two-day workshop. Bring your tools, and also bring your camera and a notebook. Bill will show you how to put a keen edge on your tools, and you will put that edge on yourself. This is a two-day workshop, you should plan on attending both days. If you are not a member of either NMWT or AWA, you will need to join either club.

RSVP to hold your spot (and to get directions) to Bill Zerby, 505-263-6632

BEADS OF COURAGE

Beads of Courage: The size of the box, as a minimum, must be 5 inches wide x 6 inches deep. These boxes do not have to be round, they can also square. Of course, you can make them larger, to allow the kiddos to put all their beads in a safe place. Go to www.beadsofcourage.org to see to whom you will be making these boxes. Also, check out this story <https://youtube/WMCcJxO9mnY>. Don't forget to

bring your boxes to the meetings and put them into the instant gallery. Scott Eckstein is our official representative for the local hospitals, give him your box(s) for delivery to the hospitals.

SILENT AUCTION

Silent Auction will be held during each NMWT workshop to raise money for a scholarship fund. The earnings from this fund will be used to reduce member's cost of attending hands-on sessions with professional turner-demonstrators at the discretion of the NMWT Board of Directors.

You may place any item that you think will sell in the auction. Bring only items relating to wood-working or woodturning. There will be auction sheets on a table outside the WWS meeting room. Take a sheet, write the name of the item on the sheet and put your item with the sheet. If you want the item to go for a certain amount, put your name and the minimum bid on the sheet. The Auction will be over at the end of the break. Money will be collected for items sold during the last part of the meeting. All money collected will go into the scholarship fund. Items not sold will be returned to the owner and the owner will remove the items from Woodworkers Supply.

SCHOOLS

Santa Fe Community College www.sfcc.edu

Santa Fe Community College offers both credit and noncredit courses taught by some of the most prominent artisans in the woodworking field. Classes are offered in the Fall, Spring, and Summer sessions. For more information on SFCC classes, information can also be found at SFCC's web site.

DISCOUNTS & REBATES

WOODWORKER'S SUPPLY

www.woodworker.com

Meeting Day Specials for the April 7th meeting will be announced at the meeting.

CRAFTS SUPPLY

www.woodturnerscatalog.com

Offers a discount to members on large orders. Craft Supply has implemented a new club support program.

Visit their web site or phone Kathy Lawrence at 1-800-551-8876

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STORE CLOSING

ALBUQUERQUE EXOTIC WOODS

www.abqexoticwoods.com

Jake Jacobson has a store specializing in exotic woods, located at 4224 Menaul Blvd NE.

Hours: Tuesday through Sunday, 8:30 – 6:00. (Monday by appointment)

Contact: (505) 293-WOOD (9663)

Turning Stock 30% Off

Olive, Indian Rosewood, Desert Ironwood

Day of Meeting 50% Discount with active NMWT Membership Card

PACKARD WOODWORKS: THE WOODTURNER'S SOURCE

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215 S Trade St, Tryon, NC 28782

1-800-683-8876

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NMWT members receive Wholesale Prices. Rugby's have hardwoods, Thermofused Melamine, plywood, veneers, and furniture grade white pine.

STOCK BUILDERS SUPPLY

www.stockbuildingsupply.com

5815 Edith Blvd NE

Albuquerque, NM 87107

(505) 345-2865

Wholesale Prices to NMWT Members

CRANE MOUNTAIN WEAPONS

Contacts: Pat, Marti, or Joe - 271-0797. This business uses exotic woods for gunstocks and sells off-cuts as turning blanks.

NICHROME WIRE FOR CHEAP

Jim Breeden says www.lightningvapes.com has nichrome wire.

LUMBER & MILLING SERVICES

Wes Thompson 505-384-2544

Doug Malmstrom 505-907-3015

Custom milling of your lumber or ours.

FOR SALE

Remember, your items for sale will run for one month unless you request an extension.

There is no charge for listing items, and we welcome members to use this space for anything related to woodturning.

For Sale Items:

1. Oneway Wolverine Grinding System with Vari-grind and Vari-grind 2 jigs with 2 extra bases and a Mini Platform. \$170.00



2. 8 Inch slow speed grinder with two CBN Wheels 80 and 120 grit I think plus 2 white stone wheels. \$ 400.00

Package price is \$500.00 More details just call Bob Fitzsimmons 505-688-3019



For Sale: Rikon 70-100 Mini-Lathe -- \$250 ½ hp, 12" swing over bed, 1"x 8 tpi headstock, #2 MT head and tail, on stand. Several extras- plug in and turn. A great lathe for beginner or second lathe. I upgraded. There is nothing wrong with this lathe. Ron Bahm 505-881-8845

For Sale: Performa (Jet) 10-20 Plus Drum Sander with stand and mobile base. Extra rolls sandpaper. \$500 OBO Contact Tom Radar (505) 238-1769.



You can also run an ad to FIND or TRADE something.

INSTANT PHOTO GALLERY

There will be no Instant Gallery for the April meeting, due to the professional turner demonstration.



Bob Rocheleau - Russian Olive Bowl



Drake Ward - Lodgepole Pine Vase



Eddie Bell – Pink Ivory Rose Engine Box



Hy Tran - Madrone Bowl



Kathy Knorr- Carob Bowl



Hy Tran - Tagua Nut Hollowform



Michael Aguliar- Ancient Kauri Wood Step Bowl



Ian Allen - African Mahogany and Cedar Ring



Michael Anderson - Turned Carved Hand Form



Ralph Watts - Chestnut Imagination Box



Ron Phillips - Seberian Elm Burl Bowl



Tom McLarty - Padauk Bowl with turquoise



LIBRARY CORNER

A good selection of educational DVD's is available for check out during club meetings.

DVD Rental

Please use and return DVD's in one month if possible and donate \$1.00 for each DVD checked out to help with expenses. If you encounter any problems with DVD's, please notify Michael of those problems.

NMWT WEB SITE

www.nmwoodturners.org

Please visit our web site. Webmaster Mike Gardner continues to made many additions and improvements that are very useful to club members and the public. If you have not been there lately we now have a slide show on the Home Page and the Gallery is divided into sections with slide shows.

MENTORS

Members are always welcome to contact the people on the following list for guidance to better turning ideas, and techniques -- Free to members so give a Mentor a call!

Name	Phone	Description
Bill Zerby	263-6632	Basic spindle turning & tool sharpening
Irling Smith	865-9230	Segmented turning & design
John Ellis	771-1773	Basic turning, plates, tools & handles
Alan Becker	467-8382	Intermediate Hollowing
Ron Phillips	(505) 553-6139	Beginning Basic and Intermediate Turning. Also, specialty tools, rests & steadies
Ralph Watts	500-5859	Advanced turning, carving, coloring, and finishing
Ron Bahm	881-8845	Pen turning
Hy Tran	(505) 797-2041	Beginner and Novice
Mike Heiser	(505) 388-4678	Beginning Basic and Intermediate Turning.
Jim McLain	(575) 517-6535	Open and closed forms, especially southwest forms, decorative methods, including inlay and coloring

LOGO WEAR SHIRTS / HATS

Prices for NMWT's Shirts and Hats

Long Sleeve Denim Shirt	\$27.00
Short Sleeve Denim Shirt	\$25.00
Polo (golf) shirt	\$22.00
Short Sleeve T-Shirt	\$15.00
Caps (baseball)	\$11.00

- All items include embroidery
- Add \$2 for XXL and \$3 for XXXL
- Names Embroidered on Shirt \$3.00
- Logo on Customer Supplied Garment \$9.00
- Contact: Ivan Blomgren: 615-5096



Ivan A Blomgren has taking over ordering for club caps, shirts, etc. Due to the lack of volume and associated shipping costs our embroidery shop experiences on small orders it has been decided we need to switch to placing orders on a quarterly basis in hopes of boosting the volume for each order so the per item shipping costs can come down

The way this procedure will work is that members can place orders with me up until the last meeting of each quarter. The collected orders will then be submitted to the embroidery shop and should then be available for distribution on the first quarterly meeting following order placement. Full payment for an order will need to be submitted with each order form before it can be processed! Order placement cut off dates for each quarter will be as follows:

Quarter	Months	Order Meeting	Delivery Meeting
1st	Jan - Mar	March	April
2nd	Apr - Jun	June	July
3rd	Jul - Sept	Sept	Oct
4th	Oct - Dec	Dec	Jan

Order forms can be filled out and downloaded from our web site as well as gotten from Ivan at our meetings.

NEWSLETTER

If you have tips, news, "For Sale" or newsletter entry (try to stay 250 words or less, no embedded photos ; send photos as separate attachments), Please send it to news@nmwoodturners.org for publication in a future newsletter. **Must be received by the last Saturday of the month to make the most current newsletter.**

SUGGESTED OTHER WEB SITES

Found a good WEB site? Want to share it with other club members? Questions or suggestions are welcome. Please contact the club Webmaster Mike Gardner at: webmaster@nmwoodturners.org

www.cleanturn.net, www.pennstateind.com,
www.tufftooth.com, www.woodmagazine.com
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www.WoodTurningz.com, www.woodweb.com
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www.sofasandsectionals.com/wood-turning-resources
www.woodworkersjournal.com

Another resource is:
www.albuquerque.craigslist.org

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