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**Meeting Location**

AWA meetings are held at Hardware Specialities. Located at 424 W. 54<sup>th</sup> Ave, Anchorage, on the first Saturday of each month from September through April.

Meetings begin at 10:00 am and last until approximately 12:00 pm. Normally a tool sharpening demo is held by Arnie Geiger 30 minutes before each meeting. Members are welcome to bring their tools and have a demonstration on sharpening them.



*Meeting was attended by 55 individuals*

**Monthly Demonstration**

Our demo was a discussion by several members who took the master classes from Bonnie and Sharon. All were astounded at the quality of work from the members and many had entered their pieces in the Artistry in Wood competition at the Northway Mall.



*An example from Sharon Doughtie's class on day 2.*

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*An example from Bonnie Klein's class on day 2*

## **April Meeting**

The April 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting will have Bill Bowers demonstrating how to make a Saturn box and what tools need be made for the process.

## **AWA Woodturning Classes**

Bob Congdon will schedule woodturning classes for next fall. If anyone is interested in taking the classes please contact Bob at: [Congdon@acsalaska.net](mailto:Congdon@acsalaska.net).

*The fee for the classes is \$20 per class paid in advance (please make checks out to AWA). This small amount covers various supplies needed for the classes. The classes will be held each month until the master classes start.*

**Turning 101** - basic spindle turning (has been completed)

**Turning 102** - green bowl turning

**Turning 201** - turning a candlestick and base

**Turning 202** - finish bowl turning with power sanding

**Turning 301** - turning a useful off-centered (oval) tool handle

**Turning 302** - turning a small cylinder box.

## **AWA Apparel**

The club still has a few logo caps available. If you are interested in purchasing some, please contact John Lane.

## **Annual Symposium**

Every year the AWA hosts our annual symposium where we present Master Turners with International or National status.

The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium will be held at Hardware Specialties on January 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Jimmy Clewes and Eli Avisera will be the master turners for 2012.

Master classes with Eli Avisera will be the week before the symposium.

Master classes with Jimmy Clewes will be the week after the symposium

You may sign up and pay for the master classes starting September 1, 2011.

## **Upcoming Events**

The May meeting will be on the 21<sup>st</sup> at Jeff Trotter's estates in Wasilla. It is our annual picnic and will have buffalo brats as well as salmon for the main course. The remainder will be pot luck so bring your favorite dish. In years past we have had up to 65 people attend. Your significant other is invited as well. We will have an instant gallery with prizes as we have done in the past.

Please turn something for the May 21<sup>st</sup> instant gallery.

## **Membership**

Membership renewal dues for the upcoming year must be paid by/at the October meeting (first Saturday of the month).

- Individual Membership \$25
- Family Membership \$35