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Meetings are held on the fourth Sunday of each Month at Woodcraft Supply, 12511 Olive Street Road, (Dierberg Center)

1PM to 4PM

(Bring a guest or friend!)

LAST MEETING

It certainly was an enthusiastic group involved in the making of hook tools. All present were involved in the program and many were still working as time ran out. Rick Taylor furnished 9 inch pieces of drill rod for everyone and an acetylene torch for heating, bending and tempering - at his own expense. Many thanks Rick. Bob Schmitz assisted at the torch. Ken Schaefer furnished turning squares and brass ferrules for handles. Fletcher Hartline demonstrated the turning of handles. He and Ken assisted others in the process. Thanks to both. Many members brought grinders from home for the initial shaping of the tools. In all it was a real cooperative effort and a most successful meeting.

1994 DUES

For those who have not paid their dues for this year, we would like to remind you that dues are due in January. Just about all money received goes for the printing and mailing of the newsletter. Please mail your check for \$15.00 to Virginia Toone now. Our charter from the AAW requires that members of local chapters must also be members of the AAW. We will have applications for membership in the AAW available at the regular meetings.

GALLERY

The establishment of a gallery at Woodcraft to display members works has been proposed. Mike Dugan, Manager of Woodcraft, agreed that this would be possible and offered to provide space, publicity in his publication, and offered to provide prizes. There could be possibly 3 classes of entries - beginner, intermediate and accomplished. Think about this a bit and give us your ideas at the February meeting. The showing could possibly run March, April and May.

LIBRARY

At the last meeting a suggestion was made that we establish a woodturning library of books and video tapes. To do this we would have to rely on contributions of material from the members, provide a place for safekeeping and appoint a librarian to keep records of loans and returns. Any volunteers for the job?

HARDWOOD TREE SEEDLINGS

This project has been dropped since we were informed that the trees would have to be planted on public land.

MEMBERSHIP

Three new members attended the meeting:

Mrs Elaine Navarro  
Mr Francisco Navarro  
Mr Dean C Hooks

Welcome to each of you. If you know of other interested persons please ask them to be our guest at a meeting.

SCHOOLS OF ARTS AND CRAFTS

There are two of these within a day's drive from St. Louis. They have 5 day hands on courses in various crafts including woodturning. Instruction is generally done by professional people and the facilities are good.

ARROWMONT is located in Gatlinburg, Tenn., Tel.No. 615-436-5860  
We have 8 or 9 brochures covering the spring session for anyone who is interested. (Ask at the next meeting).

APPALACHIAN CENTER FOR CRAFTS is located at Route 3, Box 430  
Smithville, Tenn. Tel.NO. 615-597-6801. You will have to call or write for brochures and information.

Classes at both schools are small - 10 to 12 people at a time. It is necessary to get reservations in early if you wish to attend. These are not the only schools available. Others are often shown or advertised in the AAW magazine.

DUST HELMETS

Roger Weigand, who is one of our members, advises that rebuilt Airstream Air-Mate dust helmets can be purchased for \$250.00 from the Airstream Company. This would be a saving of about \$80.00 over the cost of a new one. Contact Airstream, 21344 Avenue 332, Woodlake, CA. 93286. Tel.No 1-800-637-6606.

### NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be on February 27, 1944 at the Woodcraft store from 1 to 4 PM. This will be another participation session learning to sharpen and use the hook tools you made at the last meeting. Gary Johnson and Fletcher Hartling will do the instructing.

Please do the following -

1. Bring your hook tool with the handle attached.
2. Bring a small medium grit India slip stone or equivalent for sharpening.
3. If you have a 3 or 4 inch Delta faceplate, attach a block of wood (a 3x3 or 4x4 about 4 to 5 inches long) and round it off. End grain toward the face plate. Bring it to the meeting. If you do not have a Delta faceplate, bring all the other things listed. We hope to have a few loaners available.

The hook tool is used primarily to cut smoothly across end grain such as when making boxes, goblets, bowls, etc.

### MARCH MEETING

This will be held at Woodworking Unlimited (Shopsmith) in the DePaul Center, 12246 St. Charles Rock Road. We have been told that eight lathes will be available for our use.

For your information, Woodcraft has recently announced the purchase of 12 Shopsmith stores. This will increase the Woodcraft stores from 7 to 19. We understand that the Shopsmith line will be continued.

### OTHER

The door prize was won by Binh Pho at the last meeting. It was a large size side scraper donated by Woodcraft.

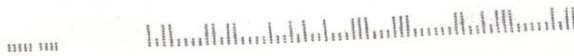
If you would like to list a tool or material for sale or swap in the newsletter, give your editor a note showing the particulars.



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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION \* WOODTURNERS of St. Louis

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Mail this application with your check for 15.00 for one year's dues to:  
Woodturners of St. Louis, 2236 Whitby Rd., Chesterfield, Mo. 63017.

Applications for membership in the American Association of Woodturners  
are available at Chapter meetings.