KANSAS CITY WOODTURNERS

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KC WOODTURNERS IS A GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO GET TOGETHER TO SHARE THEIR COMMON INTEREST IN WORKING ON THE LATHE. ANY ONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND OUR MEETINGS, HELD AT WOODCRAFT SUPPLY IN LENEXA KANSAS. MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE SECOND MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 7:00 PM.

LAST MONTH'S PROGRAM WAS PRESENTED BY BILL HUDSON. HIS TOPIC WAS MAKING YOUR OWN LATHE TOOLS. BILL'S TALK COVERED WHY HE MAKES HIS TOOLS, HOW HE GOES ABOUT IT, AND WHERE YOU CAN GET THE MATERIALS TO MAKE THEM. IT WAS A VERY INFORMATIVE TALK THAT WILL HELP US GET OVER SOME OF THE HURDLES THAT LATHE TURNING GIVES US. WE JUST CAN'T BUY A TOOL THAT WILL DO EVERYTHING.

HOW MANY OF YOU HAVE A COMPUTER? AT LAST MONTH'S MEETING, KEN PRENTICE PROPOSED SETTING UP A COMPUTER BULLETIN BOARD FOR WOODTURNERS. KEN ALREADY HAS ONE FOR WOODCAVERS. IT CAN BE USED FOR MESSAGES, NEWSLETTER FILES, MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS, AND SO ON. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS SERVICE, CALL KEN AT 268-0243, EVENINGS OR WEEKENDS. WE CAN DISCUSS THIS AT THE NEXT MEETING.

REGISTRATION FOR THE NATION WOODTURNING SYMPOSIUM IS DUE BY MAY 15TH TO AVOID A LATE FEE. THIS EVENT IS SCHEDULED FOR JULY 6,7 AND 8. THIS YEAR IT WILL BE HELD IN DAVIS CALIFORNIA.

I RECENTLY RECEIVED A LETTER FROM CONNIE MISSISSIPPI OF TOPANGA, CALIFORNIA. CONNIE HAS BEEN AWARDED A GRANT FROM THE AAW TO RESEARCH THE HISTORY OF WOODTURNING. HER FIRST STEP IS TO COMPILE A SLIDE REGISTRY OF AAW MEMBERS. SHE WOULD LIKE ONE SLIDE FROM EACH MEMBER. ONE THAT YOU FEEL MOST REPRESENTS YOUR WORK. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE, PLEASE BRING THAT ITEM TO THE NEXT MEETING. I WILL ARRANGE TO HAVE A CAMERA THERE TO TAKE THE PICTURES. YOU MAY ALSO BRING IN YOUR OWN SLIDE. SHE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THESE BY JUNE 1ST.

SAFETY TIP: ALWAYS STAND IN A SAFE PLACE WHEN STARTING YOUR LATHE. DON'T BE IN THE LINE OF FIRE, IF IT COMES LOOSE.

ACCORDING TO OUR TREASURER, RUSS BLASER, WE CURRENTLY HAVE \$362.14 IN OUR BANK ACCOUNT. RUSS HAS DONE A GREAT JOB OF ORGANIZING OUR FINANCES. WE WILL HAVE REPORTS AVAILABLE AT THE MEETING. THANKS RUSS!

WHAT HAS BECOME OF THE WALNUT PIECES HANDED OUT AT THE LAST COUPLE OF MEETINGS? I HOPE SOME OF YOU HAVE MADE SOMETHING FOR SHOW AND TELL. LET'S SEE HOW MANY DIFFERENT THINGS CAN BE MADE FROM SIMILAR STARTING PIECES.

OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE MAY 8TH. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!