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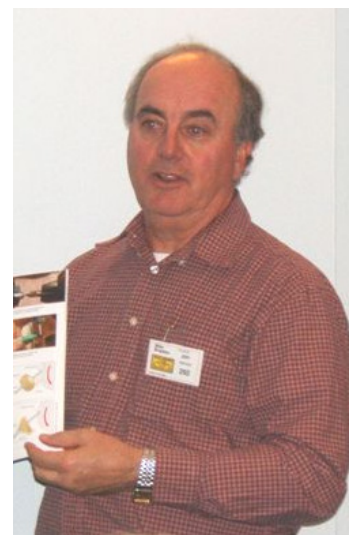
150th Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

### From the President's notebook

It is with mixed feelings that I sit here writing my last version of The President's Notes for The Chip Flyer. In some ways three years have passed quickly. At the same time I look forward to just participating in guild activities and translating some free time into time at my lathe and workshop. As I said previously, I am a strong believer in the concept of a guild and many times have encouraged new turner participants on the internet to check out their local chapter of the

AAW. It is clearly evident from emails and telephone calls I have received from people seeking information on our guild, that if they have never encountered woodturning before, they really do not know where to start. The resources we have in our library, talent within the guild and invited speakers are clearly the way to go. It gives you a real jump start on a complex and difficult area of wood working.

Once again I want to thank everyone that



helped out in any way in guild activities over the past year. For those that have not yet taken a role from the multitude that

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### Coming soon....

January 12

Hands On night  
"The Art Form that is the Candlestick" (see page 2)

January 19

Peter Rand  
"Driven by the Rapid Evolution of Woodturning Art"

February 9

Hands on night  
"The Musical Skew"  
(see page 3)

## President's Notebook

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exist, I encourage you in 2006 to step forward and volunteer your services. Just look around and I am sure you will see the need without looking too hard.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday, January 19, 2006. Thank you to Joanne Hallman and George Daer for the excellent work they did this fall in finding volunteers for our 2006 executive. The following nominations for new executive are put forward:

President – George Jacquemain

1<sup>st</sup> VP – Andrew Turnbull

Secretary – Rick Cullis (1 Year term to replace George J)

Treasurer – John Dabbs

Member-at- Large – Peter Midgeley

Executive Assistant – Ken Keates

Continuing members of the executive are:

2<sup>nd</sup> VP – Al Murphy

Newsletter Editor – Peter Wright

Membership Secretary – Paul Rapattoni

Nominations are of course open until officially closed at the AGM.

Welcome to Y2K + six.

Mike.

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- MIKE BRAZEAU

### Canadian Home Workshop Show 2006

The Canadian Home Workshop Show is being held in a new venue from Friday March 3<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday March 5<sup>th</sup>. It is at The Congress Centre, 650 Dixon Road, Toronto, which is across the street from the old Skyline Hotel. A Woodworking competition, including woodturning, is part of the show and if entries are pre-registered before February 25, 2006 there is no cost. Walk-in entries are \$5.00. More details can be found at <http://www.canadianhomeworkshop.com/show/home.shtml> or call 416-218-3545. A \$500 prize is offered to the Woodworking Club that submits the most entries.

### Think Tank — January 12, 2006

I know it's very Retro, but would you believe that it has been over 4 years since we had an official night dedicated to the art form that is the candlestick. We want to see your creations and discuss your techniques. According to the latest *Ipsos Reid*, 23% of wood turners have never turned one. Out of ideas, Google candlesticks, I got 1,950,000 hits.

Robin LeSage

## Early Membership Renewal Draw

**D**ue to the overwhelming success last year of the “Early membership renewal draw”, we’re doing it again this year!

Just renew your membership for 2006 before the break at the January regular meeting (January 19, 2006) and you are

automatically entered. A draw will be made at that meeting and the lucky winners will receive 1 (one) of 10 (ten) \$50.00 Gift certificates to be redeemed at one of our sponsors place of business (participating sponsors will be announced at a later date).

Membership renewal (\$40.00) is due by the end of the February

meeting. Renewals after that date will be subject to the \$10 joining fee regardless of whether you are already a member or not.

Thank you for your continued interest in the GHWG and good luck.

J.Paul Rapattoni

## The Skew (dark side & light side) with Alan Lacer *VHS*

### *Tape #1068 (90 minutes)*

**U**sing excellent photography, Alan commences the video by preparing the skew tool profile focusing on: size, shape, grinding and honing. This is followed by ensuring the lathe & tool rest are equally finely tuned. Flat and rounded skews are discussed plus using the long point, short point and the middle of the skew.

Lacer demonstrates all the following cuts and their uses: plan-

ning cut, roughing cut, V cut, shoulder cut, saucer cut, pommel cut, parting off, peeling cut, rolling cut and the coving cut. He also demonstrates working on knots and twisted grain, plus the end grain scrape.

As he works Alan suggests exercises, points out errors awaiting the skew user plus ways of avoiding them, and he finishes off by turning a mini top.

This tape could be considered both an excellent introduction and refresher course for new

and experienced turners alike. Recommended viewing! Review by Pat O’Brien.

## Hands on night for February 9

## The Musical Skew

**W**e will provide the wood and the instructor (Malcolm Cumming), you bring a sharp skew, or even a not so sharp skew as the grinder will be available. All the lathes will be running for 20 minutes sessions of tips and practice.

**GOLDEN HORSESHOE WOODTURNERS' GUILD**  
**MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING JANUARY 20, 2005**

The meeting was held at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Industrial Street in Burlington. Based on our membership for 2004, 188 members (a 1.1% increase from 2003), the quorum necessary for approving Constitutional changes was 30% of 188 = 56 members. There were 92 members in attendance. In the absence of Secretary George Jacquemain, Kevin Gillespie was appointed as recording secretary.

### **AGENDA**

1. The Annual meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by the President, Mike Brazeau, who presented the minutes of the January 15, 2004 annual meeting, which were published in the January Chip Flyer.
2. Frank Luet moved the acceptance of the minutes, seconded by Al Murphy. **CARRIED**
3. Treasurer's Report – George Daer presented the Treasurer's Report, which is included with the minutes. Briefly, the figures were as follows:

Receipts for the year 2004: \$17,168

Expenditures for the year 2004: \$15,510

This provided a surplus \$1,658. The opening balance for the year 2005 was \$5,175 and membership receipts for 2004 were \$6,405 yielding a December 31, 2004 balance of \$6,833.

Dave Page moved the acceptance of the report, seconded by Glenn Mott.

4. New nominations were called for three times. No new nominations were presented. Motion to close nominations was made by Jim Fretz, seconded by Doug Bremner. **CARRIED.**

New appointments are:

2<sup>nd</sup> VP: Al Murphy

Member at Large: Kevin Gillespie

The 2005 year executive was announced as follows: President – Mike Brazeau, 1<sup>st</sup> VP – Lew Rowlands, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP – Al Murphy, Treasurer – George Daer, Secretary – George Jacquemain, Membership Secretary – Paul Rapatoni, Member at Large – Kevin Gillespie, Newsletter Editor – Frank Luet.

Mike Brazeau, on behalf of the guild, thanked Robin Lesage for his contributions during his years as part of

the executive; and personally thanked Robin for his assistance and organization, helping the guild to run smoothly. Robin will continue to be involved with the 'Think Tank' and has already started work on the 2005 Christmas party.

Mike acknowledged Steve Darley for all his work in organizing and running the club library. Pat O'Brien, Geraldine Kelter and Ed Hummel were also acknowledged for their help with the library.

5. Mike Brazeau gave the President's Report and comments, and a recap for 2004, including some of the accomplishments of the GHWG for 2004. Success of the guild was credited to resources including equipment, people and finances. Mike noted that the guild was still growing and there were a number of quality pieces entered in the club competitions. Mike also brought up Robin's launch of Think Tank, and the interest in doing a collaborative project with the AAW.

Successful workshops and demonstrations for the 2004 year included the following:

Design by nature – Al McBurney (excellent presentation and show)

Andi Wolfe workshop – influence on club member

Chris Stott –with help from John Buccioni (Woodchuckers)

Doug Newlove – 2 presentations

Mike also noted that the addition to library is a significant club contribution, and that there was good showing from our group at the Central Canadian Wood Show. The Christmas party was also a success, and, thanks to Peggy Wharrick and her team which kept the Woodturning 101 rolling along like clockwork. We have stopped taking entries the woodturning 101 classes.

Mike also asked the member of the guild to remember those members who had passed away in 2004: Wayne Marsden and Eric Dalrymple..

6. Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by George Daer, seconded by Norm Kemp. CARRIED. The Annual Meeting was adjourned at 7:18 PM.

Member,

Kevin Gillespie

A good time was had by all at the Christmas Party last month. Robin LeSage did an excellent job in bringing it all together and doing the work to make it happen.

The card below was received from the Burlington Firefighters. Again, thanks to all who contributed toys at the Christmas Party. It's good to know that not only did we enjoy ourselves, we helped to bring some pleasure to local children as well.

*Remembering you at Christmas  
and wishing you the joys of simpler times—  
the fresh aroma of a pine tree,  
the warmth of a flickering fire,  
and the love of family and friends.*

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