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April Meeting

The April meeting was attended by over 30 members, filling our cozy space just about to capacity! As we continue to grow our membership, we are on the lookout for a larger suitable space, so if any of you readers have suggestions please let us know.

Phil passed out pictures of the police batons we are asked to turn and contribute for the Wood Turning Center's fund raiser the end of May (22,23 or 24th), located in the fire hall across from the John Grass building in Old City. The AAW is still looking for 5 more video operators for the conference. They will be provided free admission for their efforts. Also, Phil has a room reserved at the Omni Hotel in Richmond for 4 nites, that he can turn over to someone else who needs the space. Let Phil know if you want it before he cancels. Kieth Davies will be

demonstrating at the upcoming WTC table in historic Elfreth's Alley on June 7. Stop in and visit if you can.

The **featured item** this month was a demo by Mike Cunningham, an executive member of our club who belongs to several other local ones as well. Mike entertained us with his interesting background story in woodworking activities, and how he has progressed to specializing in pepper mills. Not only did he demonstrate his techniques for us, but he also generously provided several detailed handouts with a full description of the process, sources of supply, and good practices to follow. This was an excellent presentation, and it inspired quite a few members to order the grinding mechanisms so they can attempt their own pieces.



We also had an interesting **Show and Tell** session. Many members participated, and photos of their efforts are shown here, with more on the web site.



(Check out more photos on our web site.)

The 50/50 winner was Charles Sarnelli, who collected \$45. Congratulations, Charles.

Upcoming Events

May 13- next regular club meeting in Haddonfield. Bob Rosand demonstrating.

May 20- Open House at Phil Hauser shop

HOW Program- Andy is coordinating; the schedule is out, so please sign up for several sessions.

May 3- Nakashima workshop tour.

June 10- regular meeting, Peter Oliver demo.

June 20, 2008 – annual AAW meeting in Richmond, VA.



Treasurer's Report - \$1523 balance



Library Report – none this month

Help Wanted section- We are looking for members who will volunteer to coordinate group purchases of various supplies for the club. Items that have been suggested include sandpaper, glue, Anchor Seal, finish and waxing products, etc. The responsibilities of this position would include: 1) identifying materials that make sense to acquire by group purchases; 2) making announcements at club meetings or in the newsletter to give members every opportunity to see the offer for upcoming purchases; 3) maintaining a list of members interested in a particular group purchase; 4) collecting checks from interested members in advance of making the purchase, to ensure the funds are available; 5) placing the orders and paying

for them using the collected funds; 6) taking delivery of the purchased materials and distributing them at the club meetings. If you would like to consider helping with this please contact one of the club executives.