

April 2009

Spring is here and the snow is melting off the wood piles. This is a good time to cut wood into blanks and rough-turn bowls. If you spend a little time each week processing wood and performing some rough turning of your favorite objects, pretty soon you have a good supply to final turn anytime you want. This last month I turned pens for the first time. Pens are a fun project. We will be having a demonstration coming up in a couple months. I used one of the powders Alice showed us last meeting to color clear Inlace and inlaid it in a groove on the rim of a large maple bowl. Inlace is easy to use and it cuts and sands with minimal effort. The powder comes in so many beautiful colors.

Our symposium is less than two weeks away. We are always concerned about attendance and cost, but it all seems to come together in the end. Please try to bring an item for the silent auction. The auction is fun and a significant source of income for the club.

Dale Larson, a national AAW Board member will attend our symposium. The AAW has financially support our symposium in the past through an Educational Opportunity Grant. We are grateful to Mr. Larson for taking the time to attend. Take time to read this newsletter carefully for all the details of the symposium.

We will have an E-Board meeting Tuesday night following the symposium at 7:00 at Dakota Farms. See you soon.

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