

## Arizona Woodturners Association -- President's Message -- May, 2016

Good May to you all,

I'm going to keep this short, because like many of you, May is a busy month with end of year school projects, graduations and the like. Unfortunately, my lathe has not been able to exercise this month at all, and I'm afraid it is going to lose its streamlined appearance. I have it on good authority that it is supposed to start exercising again in June.

Our Meeting this Saturday, May 21 at noon, is on Basket Weave Illusion. These bowls or vessels are marvelous works of art and you can take them in all sorts of directions. Come out and watch Ken Walston share his expertise on the subject. The President's Challenge this month is on "Sports." Anything sports themed is fair game -- practical or figurative -- let your imagination run wild.

Jim McLeary has volunteered to take on the position of "Equipment Manager," for lack of a better term. He will be handling getting the lathe and associated equipment to and from the meeting and various demonstrations. This does not mean he is actually doing the transportation. He is a manager. Help is still needed with the actual transportation of the equipment. Please contact Jim at [JMWoodworking68@gmail.com](mailto:JMWoodworking68@gmail.com) if you can help out. This is your Club and it only works with your help.

The national American Association of Woodturners has just announced a new trial benefit to those who are local club members but not members of the American Association of Woodturners. I'll give you more details at the meeting on Saturday!

Coming up in next month's newsletter: A "State of the Club" message ... where we are 6 months into my presidency, and where I would like to see the club go in the next 6.

I look forward to seeing you all on Saturday!

Happy Turning!

Dale  
President, AZ Woodturners Association