



Newsletter

August 2014

We are a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW)

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Club Tours – Carroll Stottlemeyer

Christmas Toys – Lloyd Benedict

Auction – Lester Dice

July's Club Meeting

July's Club meeting was held on 10 July 2014. The demonstration by Rich Vossler was canceled this month due to scheduling conflicts.

Jim Stottlemeyer filled the spot with a chisel handle demo which was originally scheduled in February of this year, but was canceled due to weather. So all went well, and members got to learn Jim's technique in making a tool handle.

Announcements

Library – There's a lot of good material in the library for our members. If you would like to donate something to the library, your donation would be appreciated. Something new added, we are now offering members the opportunity to sign out tools from the club. Good chance to try a tool before going out to purchase one.

Shop Tours – Currently looking for members to open their shop for a tour. This is a great way for members to see how other folks are set-up, and can lead to ideas for them to improve their process. If interested in opening your shop, contact Carroll Stottlemeyer at estcar2014@gmail.com.

Hats and Shirts – Hats and shirts are still available. The cost is \$12.00 for a hat, and \$30.00 for a shirt. Both are real nice items to have.

Tips for Joe – During the September club meeting Joe Wertner will have the floor, and will share some tips and techniques. We did this last year, and a lot of good ideas came up. If you have a tip or technique to share, talk to Joe about it so he can include it in his presentation.

Committees – Every good club relies on its members to keep things running smoothly. If everyone contributes, it tends not to over task other members. We are asking members to volunteer as needed to support their club. Please get with Carroll Stottlemeyer to volunteer to be on a committee. Remember, you don't have to be an expert, you just need to be willing to help out.

Officer's Meeting - The next officer's meeting will be August 25, 2014 at 1200. The location will be at Brothers Pizza in Greencastle PA. All members are welcome, and encouraged to attend.

Please don't forget to check-out the club's web site.

<http://www.cumberlandvalleywoodturners.com/>

The club's website has a lot of good information for your viewing pleasure. Please take time to check it out. If you have something you would like to post on the site, send your request to Ruth Niles.

ruthniles@gmail.com

If you would like to post an ad on the website, contact Grant Wheeler (304-947-7511). Cost is \$5.00 in classified tab, and \$10.00 to get on the Home Page. Wood or shop related items only.

The library is for your use, please take advantage of it. If you're not sure what we have to offer, you can check our website, or talk to Joe Wertner. If you have some videos, or other material that you would like to loan or donate to the library, that would be appreciated as well.

The newsletter is here for you. If you would like to post something to share with others, please send your information to:
bmconthego@comcast.net

Club Dues - Dues are due for 2014. Single membership for 2014 will be \$40.00, and the family plan will be \$50.00. Remember, there is no longer a requirement to be a member of the AAW to be a club member. Please see Grant Wheeler to pay your dues for 2014.

Wood Sale - Members have the opportunity to purchase wood at the club meetings. This way, you can see the wood that you are going to purchase, and maybe get a better price than purchasing it elsewhere. This is a club fundraiser, and a great way for some members to obtain wood.

Christmas Toy Project – Christmas toys are needed again this year. Toys are geared towards 2nd to 5th graders. Only restriction is the use of lead paint. It was a success in 2013, let's see if we can do it again in 2014.

Safety

Evon Barvinchack had an eye opening experience while turning a piece of wood in his shop. The wood came apart at such a force it broke a section off his lathe. Thankfully Evon had a cut-off switch handy, and a shield in place, otherwise it would have hit him at a force that could have been fatal.

Evon shared a tip that he learnt after this incident that may save this from happening to you. Before starting your project, you can check to see if the wood you're going to turn is possibly defective by dropping it on a concrete floor. If it goes "thud" cut it in half with a saw. It will have an internal defect.

If you remember from last month, Bob Robinson was turning defective wood and it came apart on him.

It is very important to do your best to ensure the wood you're turning is not defective. Then prior to turning, make sure you have safeguards in place just in case something does go wrong. [Example, if the on and off switch is hard to reach, think about adding a cut-off switch for a quick response.]

Turning can be a fun and enjoyable hobby/profession but it can be very dangerous at the same time. So from the start of your project to the finish, "Think Safety".

Show and Tell

The challenge for July was to turn a winged bowl. We had three members who participated in the challenge, and 7 members who brought some projects to share with the club. To see these wonderful pieces of art; please [click here](#) to view the club's website.

Demonstration

The demonstration for the night was how to turn a chisel handle, presented by Jim Stottlemeyer. Jim took the club through the steps to make a tool handle for a chisel. After the demo he gave members who wanted to make a handle for their chisel the opportunity to do so.

Club Auction

The time has come for the club's auction. In order for the auction to be a success, we need members to bring their donated items to the August club meeting to be auctioned off. Remember, donated items can be just about anything you think someone might be interested in purchasing. A twist for this year, we would also like to see members donate one of their turnings for the auction.

This is a fun event, and a good fundraiser for the club.

2014 Virginia Symposium

The Virginia Symposium will be held September 13th and 14th. Sounds like a nice event to attend, and it doesn't seem to be too far away. For more information, check out their link:

http://www.virginiawoodturners.com/symposium/symposium_info_home.htm

Next Meeting

- August 7, 2014
- Challenge is to turn something inside out/ a tool handle.
- Auction – Please don't forget your donated items, and lots of cash....I'm sure there will be items that you will want to purchase.