



Newsletter

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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

June's Club Meeting

Another great meeting. The prizes for the raffle were really nice, and we had several winners. A big thanks goes out to those who donated items for the raffle.

The win-one, turn-one winner for the night was Maury Mahan.

We want to thank Jim Stottlemeyer, Rod Stabler, and anyone else who was involved with installing our new wall cabinets. [Which were donated by Arvin Eby from Burkholders Flooring in Hagerstown.]

We ended the meeting with a great demonstration by Bob Robinson.

For July we are going to have Rich Vossler, someone from outside our club come in and do an inside-out turning. Should be very interesting.

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.

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

Officer's Meeting - The next officer's meeting will be July 28, 2014 at 1200. The location will be at the Park-n-Dine in Hancock MD. All members are welcome, and encouraged to attend.

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.

Bottle Stoppers – In support of the YWCA, the club is making bottle stoppers which will be sold at their 10K run. This is a fundraiser event for Breast Cancer. **A big thanks to everyone who turned a handle for the stoppers. We had a great response for this charity event. Next step is to send out the handles to be engraved with the breast cancer emblem.**

Safety

Bob Robinson was turning a bowl, and for no apparent reason a large chunk busted off and went flying through the air. Bob showed us the bowl, and the edges were pretty thick where the piece broke off.

The wood Bob was turning was severely spalted. Despite taking the normal precautions it flew apart. Many of us use wood that is spalted, cracked, has bark inclusions, etc. You can get some beautiful results but with a risk. A face-shield is always advised but absolutely necessary with pieces that have faults. (Natural faults that is; not the ones we put in.)

Show and Tell

The challenge for June was to turn a lidded box. We had 10 members who participated in the challenge, and 7 members who brought some projects to share with the club. Take note of the high

gloss on John Stewarts bowl. This was done using CA glue. It really puts a nice finish on your project. You've got to love the top hat bottle stoppers that Ruth Niles turned. She always gives her turnings that special little touch. Joe Wertner's bowl is pretty interesting with the birds. It actually looks like birds sitting around a feeder. Jim Stottlemeyer is keeping the famous Stottlemeyer rocker tradition going with his exquisite rocker. Of course, there are plenty more nice items to take a look at, so please take the time to check out the turnings on the club's website. We have a lot of talented folks in the club, and it shows through their turnings.

<http://www.cumberlandvalleywoodturners.com/2014.Show.n.Tell.htm>

Next month's challenge is to turn a winged bowl.

New Item on the Market

Something new to try, Woolube for finishing. Use with a real fine steel wool to get a nice finish on your project.

Demonstration

The demonstration "How to turn a Winged Bowl" was presented by Bob Robinson. Prior to starting this project you need to decide if you want an up-swing, or a down-swing. For this demo Bob's choice was the down swing.

He started with a square block of wood, about 3 ½ inches thick. He stated that you must make sure that your blank is even on all sides, and your faceplate needs to be exactly on center.

He began to cut-out an area to mount the chuck, and then very carefully started cutting towards the outside. The more you cut away the riskier this task becomes because the open area gets larger as you cut. This means you will cut some wood, some air, and then wood again. If you push your tool to far in during this process you will have a major catch that could lead to an injury or damaged project. Once you get the bottom the way you want it, you should go ahead and sand the bottom. Then you will remove the faceplate, and mount the project in your chuck to work on the top. Once you cut-out the bowl area, and round the edges, you're ready to sand the top area. Now all you have to do is apply your finish.

Of course this is just a brief description of the way I remember it being done. Hopefully this description will get you going in the right path, and you can figure out the details as you go along.

A big thanks goes out to Bob Robinson for doing this demonstration for us. For me, I now know what a winged bowl is.

Be sure to check out the website for some pictures of our demonstrator in action.

<http://www.cumberlandvalleywoodturners.com/2014.Monthly.Demos.htm>

Club Auction

During the August club meeting we are going to have our club auction. In order for the auction to be a success, we need members to take a look around and see what you might have to donate for this event. 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. So, mark your calendars, and start looking for some good auction items.

Club Picnic

On June 28, 2014, Bob Robinson and his wife Esther hosted a picnic for the club. They have been doing this for several years now, and it's always a pleasant event. Not only is Bob an outstanding wood turner, but he's a master at turning sausage on the grill as well. Of course we can't forget Rod Stabler's keen eye for burger turning. For the finishing touch we had some wonderful sides and desserts to complete the meal. A big thanks goes out to all the cooks who prepared a great meal for the picnic.

Even though I've seen Bob's shop several times, I still enjoy looking around at his equipment, and seeing what projects he's into.

I'm sure everyone in attendance had an enjoyable afternoon at the picnic, and we would like to thank Bob and Esther for hosting this delightful and relaxing event.

July's Meeting Date Change

Please note, the July's club meeting date was moved to the 10th of July, due to the 4th of July Holiday.

Next Meeting

- July 10, 2014
- Challenge is to turn a Winged Bowl
- Demonstration – Inside-out turning, presented by Rich Vossler