



Newsletter

July 2015

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

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Auction – Lester Dice

June's Club Meeting

The club met on June 4, 2015 at 1773 Warm Spring Rd. Chambersburg, PA, 17202. The social started at 6:30pm., and the meeting started at 7:00pm.

The scheduled demonstrator, Bob Rosand, was unable to attend due to a medical condition. A big "Thanks" goes out to Ruth Niles for putting together a last minute demo on how to make a mushroom toothpick holder.

Show and Tell

Our challenges are geared to take our members out of their comfort zone by having them turn a designated item, or perform a certain task. **The challenge for June was to turn a tool handle.**

We also enjoy projects that members are willing to share with the club. This gives other members ideas on what they may want to turn.

Turnings are photographed at the club meetings, and are usually posted on the club's website for all to see. **To see these and other great turnings please [click here](#).**

The challenge for July is a laminated turning.

Demonstration

The demo for the night was how to make a mushroom toothpick holder, presented by Ruth Niles.

Ruth started with the brochure where she gets her mushroom shapes and designs. It was full of different types of mushrooms. If interested, you may be able to obtain a brochure by calling 1-800-434-2555.

Ruth started with the bottom section of the mushroom. After rounding the blank, a half-inch hole was drilled the depth of about $\frac{3}{4}$ the length of a toothpick. Then the bottom was shaped, sanded and removed.

The top blank was mounted, rounded, and shaped. Then hollow, making sure the top fits the bottom section, and the depth allows for the remainder $\frac{1}{3}$ rd of the toothpick to fit in the hollowed area. Then remove from lathe.

Time now for a little decorating by adding some of the details of the mushroom. Ruth used a torch to burn in some dark spots. A dremel tool to cut in some character, and paint for detail. Let your imagination be your guide.

Last step is to apply a finish. Ruth likes using a wax.

Great job Ruth, this seems to be a fun project to turn.

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

***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.

"Tool Sign Out" is available for our members. This is a way to try out some tools that you don't have.

***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

***Wood Sale** - Members have the opportunity to purchase wood at the club meetings. See Rod Stabler.

***Hats and Shirts** - Hats and shirts are still available. The cost is \$12.00 for a hat, and \$30.00 for a shirt. See Jim Stottlemeyer.

Photos of the demo are on our website, please [click here](#) to review.

Raffle Tickets

The club will be selling raffle tickets. The main prize will be a \$500.00 gift certificate, and we are currently looking at turning tools as other prizes. Additional information will be provided as things get finalized.

Toys

Once again we would like to collect toys for underprivileged children in the area. Bob Robinson is going to open his shop once a month starting in August so members can come and make toys. Of course you can make them in your own shop as well. The goal is to get a lot of toys for the kids.

Club Picnic

On June 20th the club held its annual picnic hosted by Bob Robinson and his wife Esther. It was held at the Robinson's home in Fairfield, PA.

We had a great turn-out with approximately 26 members in attendance. Everyone enjoyed some good pork loin with delicious sides which were brought by members to share. A big "Thank You" goes out to Bob and Esther for hosting another great picnic.

Art Show

One of our former members Tom Harple, will be displaying his turnings at the Washington County Arts Council from July 31 through August 25, 2015. The Opening Reception is Friday, July 31, 2015, 5pm - 7pm. His display is titled Creations in Wood. Normal Gallery Hours are Tuesday through Friday 11am - 5pm. Saturday 10am - 4pm. Gallery is closed Sunday and Monday. You can visit their web site at www.washingtoncountyarts.com. The address is 34 South Potomac Street, Suite 100, Hagerstown, MD 21740.

Auction

During the July meeting we are going to auction time with a mentor. Mentors will dedicate a few hours of their time to instruct you in improving your skills, or showing you how to turn something that you would like to learn to turn. This is a great opportunity to have someone share their

experience with you in a hands on environment. Time with a mentor was a big success last year as a fundraiser, and we are looking forward to a repeat for this year.

Last year I won the bid for Ruth Niles, which I set up for my wife. She had a great experience working with Ruth, and gained a lot of confidence in her turning ability. It was well worth the money I spent winning the bid.

So I highly recommend that you come prepared to bid for the opportunity to work with one of our mentors who is willing to donate their time for this fundraiser.

Shop Tour

The next shop tour is scheduled for July 11, 2015 at Bob Daniel's shop. This is one of the tours you definitely don't want to miss. Things should get started at 9:00am, and there should be some coffee and donuts available. The address is 3123 Fairfield Rd., Gettysburg, PA. 17325. His shop is located on a lane off of Fairfield Rd. Any problems locating his shop, please contact him at 717-642-9256.

Officer's Meeting

The next officer's meeting will be July 27, 2015 at 1200. The location will be at Bollinger's Restaurant, 210 North Church Street, Thurmont, Maryland 21788. All are encouraged to attend.

Next Club Meeting

- July 2, 2015
- Challenge is a laminated turning
- Demo - uses for CA glue by John Stewart
- Mentor auction