

# Newsletter February 2017

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

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# January's Club Meeting

The club met on January 5, 2017 at 1773 Warm Spring Rd. Chambersburg, PA, 17202. The social began at 6:30pm., and the meeting started at 7:00pm.

The president opened the meeting with a few announcements that have been incorporated throughout the newsletter.

We had the monthly raffle drawings, and the winner of the Win-one Turn-one was Nick Sturm

The demonstration for the night was how to use a Vacuum Chuck. Demonstrator was Bill Krofft. Lee Burkholder recorded the demo, and it will be available on YouTube as soon as he can get it posted. You can check the links page on the website to see if it's posted, or subscribe to Lee's channel on YouTube.

# **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 January was to turn a snowman or an outboard turning...

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 February is to turn a bowl.

# **Upcoming Events**

Totally Turning 2017. Held in Saratoga Springs NY at the Saratoga Springs City Center. The event takes place April 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Click here for more information. Hint – Once on site, look at bottom of page for Information links.

# **Shop Tour**

There will be a shop tour at Bob Daniel's shop on February 11, 2017 starting at 0900. Bob's shop is located at 3123 Fairfield Rd. Gettysburg PA 17325. Any questions contact Jim Stottlemyer at 717-762-8488.

# **Spindle Tips**-Courtesy of Jim Stottlemyer



#### Trim those ends.

Before we cut spindle stock to length always trim the ends to remove any cracks or splits. This is especially important when working with the rough-cut end of the blank. Remove obvious defects and then trim a 1/16" to 1/8" slice off. Flex this thin piece to ensure that the end is solid. Be careful not to let the small pieces fall through the throat plate and jam in the guides.

### Square cuts on a bandsaw.

Sometimes we need to square the end of a board or, as turners, the end of a turning blank. I often want to make the ends of spindle stock square so that the drive center and live center make better contact. I do not reach for my pencil and square. Instead I make a shallow cut with the saw. Then I rotate the stock 90 degrees and saw using the kerf as my guide. It is important that the table is square to the blade!





### Cutting to length.

There are many ways to get spindles roughed to the same length that do not require measuring. If they are too long for a stop block try making a spacer. The spacer measures the desired length minus the distance from the blade to the table's edge. You can clamp this to the table or just hold it in hand.

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 mailto:secretary@cumberlandvalleywoodturners.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 Ken Walker. 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.

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

"Hats and Shirts" – We still have hats at \$12.00 ea. and shirts at \$30.00 ea. See Jim Stottlemyer if you're interested.

# **Officer's Meeting**

The next officer's meeting will be February 20, at 1200. The location will be at Brothers Pizza restaurant in Greencastle, PA. All members are welcome, and encouraged to attend.

# **Club Dues**

For those who haven't done so as yet, please remember to bring funds (check or cash) to pay your membership dues for 2017 during the February club meeting. The cost is \$40.00 for single membership, and \$50.00 for family membership. Kids are free up to the age of 17. Kids under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult club member.

# **Next Club Meeting**

- February 2, 2017
- Challenge is to turn a bowl
- Demonstration for the night is Footed Vessel, presented by Maury Mahan