



# Newsletter

June 2015

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

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## **May's Club Meeting**

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

The focus of the meeting was how to heat treat steel, so you can make a good turning tool. Some folks even went home with a beading tool that they made at the meeting.

## **Christmas Party**

The club will be selling raffle tickets, and the winners will be announced at the Christmas Party (more info to come on what the prizes will be).

Once again we would like to collect toys for underprivileged children in the area. Bob is going to open his shop once a month so members can come and make some toys.

## **Meeting Ideas for 2016.**

Jim Stottlemeyer is putting together meeting ideas for 2016. If there is something you would like to learn, or have a suggestion for one of our meetings in 2016, please contact Jim Stottlemeyer.

"We are always looking for new demonstrators. If you feel comfortable sharing a skill or technique with the club please volunteer."

## **Cutters**

If your turning tool cutters are at the point you need to replace them, you may want to shop around. Larry Miller purchased some cutters for a pretty good price by doing so. He found some good flat cutters at Byrd Tool Corporation. After purchasing and using them, he was very pleased. He had a good product at a much less expensive price. If you're an Amazon shopper you can purchase the cutters on their site.

He also found some good round cutters from Captain Eddie Castelin. Once again he was pleased with the cost savings and quality. You can check his site at [www.eddiecastelin.com](http://www.eddiecastelin.com).

## **Club Picnic**

The date for our annual picnic will be Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1pm. Bob and Esther Robinson will be hosting the event at their home, located at 585 Friends Creek Trail, Fairfield PA 17320. (Please note that you

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

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

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**\*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.

will be driving through a creek to get to their house.) They will provide the meat, and will ask members to bring a dish to share. Please give Bob a call at 717-642-6131 to confirm whether you will be able to make it or not, and in return he'll let you know what type of dish to bring. Please notify him as soon as possible, the deadline is June 13th.

Please be courteous and don't wait to the last minute to call.

## **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 May was to sharpen a tool using one of the techniques taught at April's club meeting.***

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 June is to turn a tool handle.

## **Demonstration**

Jim Stottlemeyer was the presenter for the night. The topic was how to heat treat steel. Then for those who wanted to make a beading tool were able to do so.

After discussing some of the ratings for steel, Jim explained the process of heat treating.

After the short class session, we set up a couple of lathes to turn tool handles, while Jim fired up the torch. Prior to the meeting Jim precut the steel to the shape needed for a beading tool. Members held their steel rod over the flame using something to hold it, (like a pair of channel-lock pliers) to start the heating process. The goal was to get the steel to a reddish/orange color. You would know when it was hot enough by placing a magnet on the heated steel and it wouldn't stick.

Then the steel was placed in oil to quench the steel, (*Jim uses peanut oil due to its high flash point*) the steel was then placed in oil that was heated to 350 degrees. It remained there for about 20 minutes, then was removed from the oil and laid out to cool. After it cooled, the steel was ready to be wiped down and put into the handle.

This was a very interesting process, and we would like to thank Jim for putting this demo together.

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

## **Shop Tour**

If you would be interested in opening your shop for a tour, contact Carroll Stottlemeyer at [estcar2014@gmail.com](mailto:estcar2014@gmail.com).

## **Officer's Meeting**

The next officer's meeting will be June 22, 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**

- June 4, 2015
- Challenge, is to turn a tool handle
- Bob Rosand will be the demonstrator for the night