



Newsletter July 2016

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

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June's Club Meeting

The club met on June 02, 2016 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.

Professional turner, Bob Rosand, was the demonstrator for the night. He showed the club how to turn a Peppermill. It's an interesting process which required a lot of drilling. After the Peppermill was turned, he installed the mechanism that grinds the pepper. A keynote, if the shaft of the mechanism is too long just cut to size. The process was videotaped and will eventually be available on YouTube. The web link is on our website. Bob also showed the club the process for making an ice cream scoop. It was a very interesting night.

On Friday June 03, 2016 Bob Rosand held a workshop instructing some of our club members the technique of making a lidded box. I understand they had an enjoyable time working with Bob.

[Click here](#) to see some pictures taken during the demo.

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 sphere, or an egg. Members who met the challenge were put into a drawing for a chance to win the sphere that was turned by Tom Deneen. The winner of the drawing was Bonnie Fox. Congratulations Bonnie!***

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 July Challenge is to turn a Salt or Pepper Shaker, or Peppermill.

Win-one, Turn-one

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



The Win-one, Turn-one winner for the night was Nelson Zullinger. John Stewart (Last month's winner) presented Nelson with a blank, and a turning. Congratulations Nelson!

Safety

Another reminder on how fast things can go wrong. Are you prepared? While turning a large bowl a chunk of wood went flying. Lucky for one of our members he was prepared by wearing a face shield.

Christmas Toys

Christmas time will be here before you know it. It's time to start thinking about making Christmas toys for some underprivileged children in our area. Lloyd Benedict will be collecting and distributing the toys again this year. We've done a great job in the past, and hopefully we can continue. When making toys please keep in mind that we need some toys for girls along with toys for boys. Rod Stabler suggested that we come up with a list of ideas for toys to make. If you have any suggestions let Rod know.

Upcoming Events

Lancaster- 24-25 September – www.mawts.com/about-page/

August's Club Meeting

The club meeting in August will be a fundraiser. This year there will be a little twist to the evening. Member/Non-members will have the opportunity to purchase a spot to sell items they have turned, tools, or any other item they would like to sell. The cost to set up will be \$10.00 for members, and \$20.00 for non-members. We have some tables available on a first come basis; after those are gone you will need to provide your own table. **Note:** The money you receive for the items you sell is your profit, the cost of the spot is a donation to the club. Please contact Jim Stottlemeyer for your spot. <mailto:jim.stottlemeyer@yahoo.com>

During the August meeting we are also asking club members to donate items to be auctioned off. The main interest would be shop-related items, however you can bring anything that you think someone may buy. At the end of the auction we are requesting that folks take back home the items they brought that didn't sell.

This is usually a fun event which has been enjoyed by many in the past.

Internet Caution! *Courtesy of Jim Stottlemeyer*

You can find information on just about anything on the internet. Woodturning is no exception. Please use common sense when watching and following tips you find there. Many, many of the YouTube videos start with a comment similar to this; "I have never done this before".

Why look to a person with zero experience? Entertainment? Maybe. You may see some mistake that you could avoid. But you are very likely to see techniques that are far from optimal maybe even dangerous. Learning from a person with no knowledge is not the smartest thing in the world.

I agree that some good turners have YouTube videos. It is up to us as viewers to separate the good knowledge from the bad. One way is to concentrate your viewing on well-known turners. They became well known for a reason. They certainly don't agree on everything but they have the practical experience to support their opinions and methods.

I watch YouTube woodturning videos and treat a lot of them as entertainment only. However if I am trying to learn something my preference is to watch a DVD. These are more likely to have better filming, better turners and more opportunities to learn. You can learn a lot more from a Glen Lucas, John Jordan, Mike Mahoney, Richard Raffan, Tim Yoder, etc, etc than you can from the guy who just uncrated his first lathe and is going to teach the world to make hollow forms.

As one of my favorite presidents, Abraham Lincoln, once said, "Don't believe everything you read on the internet". (By the way, I found that quote on the internet

Officer's Meeting

The next officer's meeting will be July 25, 2016 at 1200. The location will be at Brothers Pizza restaurant in Greencastle, PA. All members are welcome, and encouraged to attend.

Club Picnic

Bob Robinson will host the annual picnic again. The actual date hasn't been established as of yet, however he is looking at the **month of September**. This is a relaxing event with plenty of food. Then of course we can peek into his shop to see what he's been up to. This is just a heads-up, more information will be forth coming.

Chairs

The club is in need of some additional folding chairs for our meetings. If you can donate any folding chairs, please bring them to the meeting.

Next Club Meeting

- July 7, 2016
- Demonstration, Decorative Fillers presented by Bob Robinson and Joe Wertner
- Challenge is to turn Salt or Pepper Shaker, or Mill.