



# Newsletter April 2017

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

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## March's Club Meeting

The club met on March 2, 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.

The monthly raffle was held and seven prizes were won. The club also auctioned three pieces of wood. The high bidders were Larry Witmer, Joe Wertner, and Nick Strum. Thanks to their donations, the club was able to add \$50.00 to the club funds.

The demonstration for the night was “How to turn a whistle”, presented by Nelson Zullinger. This demo was a unique presentation, and you have to love Nelson’s sense of humor.

Lee Burkholder recorded the demo and it will be available on YouTube as soon as he can post it. You can [click here](#) to view Lee’s channel.

## 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 March was to turn a footed vessel.***

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 April is to turn a Whistle.**

## Upcoming Events

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

## **Shop Tours**

There was a shop tour at Rod Stabler's new shop on March 11, 2017. We had a good turnout for the tour with around twenty folks in attendance. We even had three members from the Fredrick club attend. Rod has been busy over the past few months putting his new shop together. I wasn't able to attend the tour, but the feedback that I got indicated that everyone had a good time. Big thanks to Rod for opening his shop up for a tour.

The next tour will be at Jeff Graham's shop on 6520 Dumeny Road, Greencastle PA 17225. The tour is on the 15<sup>th</sup> of April at 0900. Hope you can make it.

## **Win-One, Turn One**

The lucky winner of the Win-One, Turn One drawing during March's meeting was Maury Mahan. Maury will bring in a turning for next month's winner.

## **Welcome**

Make welcome our new club member Robert Ackors (Bob) to the club. Please take the time to introduce yourself.

## **Logging** – *courtesy of Jim Stottlemeyer*

Several club members travelled to Hanover on Wednesday the 22nd of February. John Hough and his wife Kathy (our photographer) met Rod Stabler, Carroll Stottlemeyer and Jim Stottlemeyer near Codorus State Park. The prize of the day was a 130 foot tall hickory tree. The group was a little management heavy with two supervisors and only two workers, but we managed to get the job done. The tree was cut into six and four foot lengths, and then split on the spot. This made the loading much easier. John and Jim still have a lot of riving to do before the wood is ready for the lathe, since they both plan to turn this wood into chairs and stools.

All-in-all it was a fun day. It is always good when friends get together for a project like this.



## **Raffle Items**

The Club is getting low on items to raffle during our club meetings. If you have any turnings, wood blanks, or any shop related items to donate it would be greatly appreciated. The funds raised from our raffles help purchase the refreshments during the meetings.

## **WORKING ON THE SHOP** - *courtesy of Jim Stottlemyer*

It sometimes seems that I spend as much time working on the shop as working in it. Mechanical wear and breakdowns are to be expected, or so I tell myself. A few weeks ago I helped Rod find a new home for his old dust collector. Rod is setting up a new shop and had decided to replace the dust collector. It was one exactly like the one in my shop so I could vouch for its quality. Only a few days after delivering the collector to its new home mine began to make a funny noise. Maybe odd noise is a better description since I was not amused. It sounded like bearings and I immediately regretted not grabbing the other collector to keep for parts. Even so, the collector was 25 years old and had run flawlessly for the entire period. Of course I didn't replace the bearings immediately. The noise came and went then came and stayed and finally got so bad I couldn't bring myself to turn it on. I have a unique system that provides back up, albeit weaker, vacuum. I used this for a while until the day I finally decided to repair it.

It was a simple job. Disconnect the power, remove the duct, empty the bags, lift the collector off its stand, remove the impeller cover, remove the impeller blade, and finally remove the motor. It probably took an hour and a half. While carrying the motor to the bench there was a sound of loose parts inside. Three screws later I saw the culprit, a loose cooling fan. I only spent an hour searching for the setscrew before giving up and heading to the hardware store. They didn't have one that fit either so I made do with one slightly bigger.

Everything is now back together and running smooth. I only spent about three hours of wasted time on a job that should have taken 10 minutes. Such is life. With that complete I can move on to the next repair – band saw guide bearings.

Have fun working in and on your shop,

Jim

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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 <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.

**\*The newsletter** is here for you. If you would like to post something to share with others, please send your information to:

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**"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 April 24, at 1200. The location will be at Brothers Pizza restaurant in Greencastle, PA. All members are welcome, and encouraged to attend.

## **Next Club Meeting**

- April 6, 2017
- Challenge is to turn a Whistle
- Demonstration for the night is how to turn a Three Legged Tea Lamp, presented by Larry Miller.