



Newsletter March 2021

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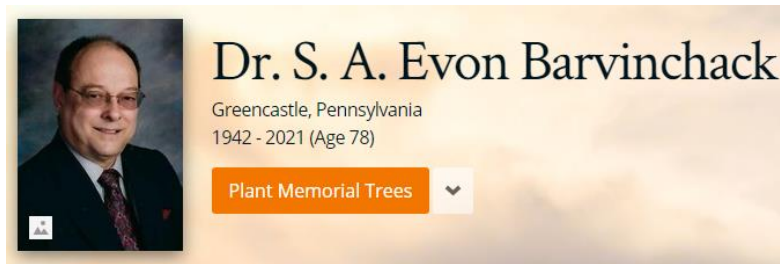
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March 2021 Club Meeting

Hello all and happy March,

Unfortunately, this newsletter is starting with some sadness due to the loss of a longtime member Evon Barvinchack. I had reported in the February newsletter that he continues to struggle with health issues and needs all our prayers. Soon after that we received notice that he had passed away on Feb 26. The obituary can be found here.

<https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/name/s-barvinchack-obituary?pid=197905528>



The latest Officers meeting minutes from February are loaded to the website and can be viewed there.

With the COVID restrictions loosening and the weather warming up, keep an eye on your email and the website calendar for updates on starting up the regular demos again. We had first stated we intended to restart with the April meeting but may wait until May. Updates will be sent when we will actually start back but if the attendance at the March Shop Tour is an indication it might be coming soon.

We would also like to thank everyone that has turned and contributed Weed-Pots.

Show and Tell

Since we are not having regular meetings I will encourage everyone that is on Face Book to join our Face Book page and share your creations for us all to enjoy or bring something to any event that we may have.

Shop Tour/Open Shop

Please check the website calendar <http://www.cumberlandvalleywoodturners.com/calendar.html> and your email for updates on what is happening.

The March 13th Shop Tour/Open Shop at Steve Talmadge's shop was a great time. 13 members attended and there was lots of great conversation. The demonstration of making Christmas Gnomes was a fun one and they are very simple to make but you should be wary of the fact that you can go a bit crazy with the supplies you need once you start making these guys. Its best to shop for the supplies like ribbons after the Christmas holidays so that you can get them for a discount. I made a bunch of these last year and only have a few left since I was giving them away as gifts. With the way that the retail stores have been doing things all the after Christmas discounts are starting before Christmas. I noticed that Hobby Lobby only had 1-2 isles of consolidated Christmas decorations a couple weeks before Christmas and several of the other big retailers including Jo Ann fabric where I got my Gnome supplies put all the notions for the season on clearance early as well. With that being said I spent too much time in that store looking at options and strolling the isles and easily spent \$100.00 even with all my discounts. So Turner-beware!



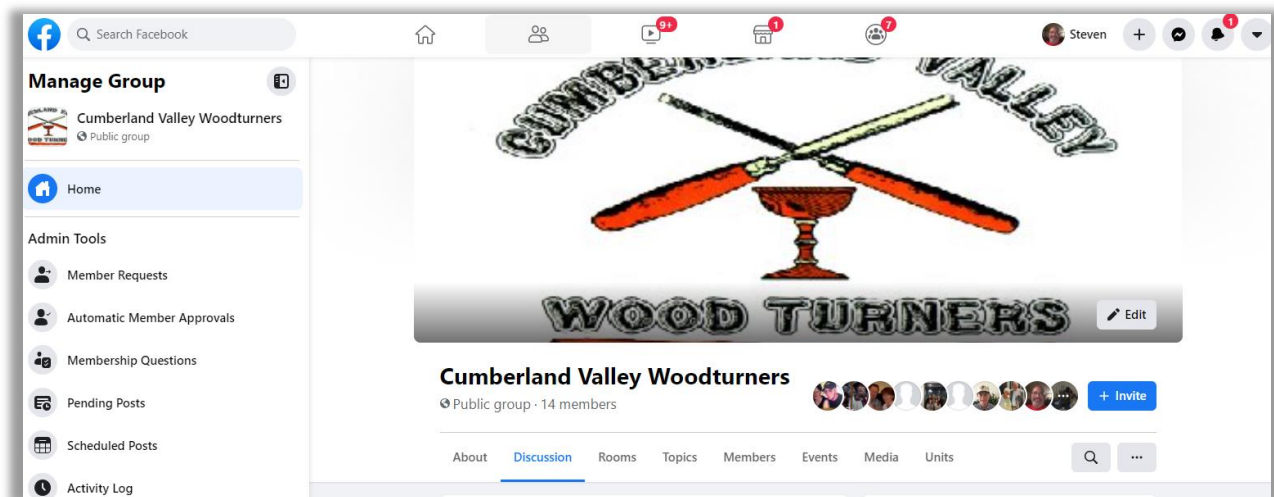


YouTube, Facebook and the Website

If you have not visited the website lately, I have done some work on it and I try and keep the calendar up to date with meetings and other industry events. I added a suggestion form and some instructions. It sends an email directly to the secretary's email address and as we get suggestions for demos or other items they will be added to the various lists and schedules for the club.

Remember, Lee Burkholder records and posts all our Demos to You Tube. You can [click here](#) to view Lee's channel.

For those that do not know I started a Facebook Page for the club, and it can be found here. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1114080958801395>



Upcoming Events

~~AAW annual meeting in Omaha NE in July—Canceled as a live event.~~

~~<https://www.woodturner.org/Woodturner/Events/Annual-Symposium-Conference/2021-Symposium-Omaha/Woodturner/2021Omaha/2021-AAW-Symposium-Omaha-Nebraska.aspx?hkey=0f6ced369-9d55-417c-8ba9-4ef2f514be58>~~

~~Rocky Mountain Woodturning Symposium, September 17th – 19th, 2021. The venue is the McKee building at The Ranch / Larimer County Fair Grounds in Loveland, Colorado~~

~~<http://rmwoodturningsymposium.com/> Canceled~~

Mid-Atlantic Woodturning Symposium in Lancaster, PA is currently scheduled for September 24-26 2021.

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

7th Segmenting Symposium September 23-26, 2021, Crowne Plaza Hotel, Northbrook, Illinois

<https://segmentedwoodturners.org/>

Upcoming virtual events from AAW

There are new upcoming events on the calendar!

Check out the [Remote Demonstration Calendar](#) today (make sure you are logged in to the AAW website)! The Remote Demonstration Calendar can also be found on the AAW website under "Events."

The next five upcoming remote events:

March 20, 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM (ET) - Tall Colored Lidded Hollow Vessel, Session #1, Cindy Drozda

March 20, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET) - High Rise Finial Box, Chris Lawrence

March 21, 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET) - Hybrid-Turned Bowl, Roberto Ferrer

March 23, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET) - Beyond ABC, Ed Pretty

March 23, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM (ET) - Setting Up You Skew, Spindle Gouges, Parting Tool and Calipers, Jim Echter

[Visit the Remote Demonstration Calendar.](#)

(Remember to sign in with your username and password to access the calendar and other members-only content.)

Win-One, Turn One

Nothing this month

Ongoing Club Activities

Weed Pots

Thank you to everyone that has turned pots and donated to this activity.

We hope that this can become an ongoing thing so anyone that is interested in making some pots for this can contact an officer for details or if you want to watch a short video on this click on this link.

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=turning+a+weed+pot . Do not just look up 'Weed pot' on you tube. You can imagine what I got in my search results when I did that. 😊 If you need wood for this, you can contact an officer and we should be able to help you out.



The January shop tour was at Jim Stottlemeyer's also to continue the Weed Pots. Lee Burkholder, Dan Long, Jim and Steve were on hand to make a few pots and just hang out and talk. It was a very enjoyable time and we finally called it a day around 1 PM. I believe we have about a dozen or so that are ready to be donated now.

Christmas Toys

Please remember that this is an ongoing yearly project for us and last year we had to have several dedicated meetings to make this happen. Items for this effort can be made and donated anytime during the year. Check in with an officer to see what we are making for 2021.

Maintenance Department

Maintenance Department #3 Cleaning the tailstock mechanism

- 1) There are many things that deteriorate so slowly that we sometimes don't notice. The tailstock is one of them. This assembly is fairly simple and consists of only a few parts, the body or housing, ram or quill, screw or spindle, handwheel and lock. I could give

other names for some of the parts, but these are the most common. It would be nice if manufacturers agreed on names of parts to eliminate any confusion. (Follow along with the photos.) The operation is simple: turn the handwheel and a left-hand threaded screw moves the quill. The quill is usually bored for a Morse taper. Over time dirt and possibly corrosion make the movement more difficult. Not all tailstocks are the same so these instructions may need adjusted.

- 2) **Disassembly** There are several ways to take the tailstock apart. Sometimes the quill will come out by simply extending it until free. Other times the handwheel must be removed and the quill and spindle slid out. In either case you probably will have to remove the quill lock and maybe an additional set screw or key. One or more of these fit into a milled slot to prevent the quill from rotating. Keep an eye out for any pads (usually brass) that some manufacturers use to prevent the screw from damaging the quill.





- 3) **Inspect** Look at all parts for any nicks and dings. Remove them with a stone or fine file. The milled slot in the quill is a prime area to check. Check the condition of the thrust bearing under the handwheel. Some lathes use a thrust washer instead. Your lathe might not use either with the handwheel in direct contact with the housing. Repair or replace as needed.
- 4) **Clean** Use mineral spirits or other solvent to thoroughly clean all parts. Dry prior to assembly.
- 5) **Lubricate** This can be a light coat of grease or oil. Some people will frown on these as they can attract and capture dirt that after many years of constant use will wear the parts. For a hobbyist that cleans and re-lubes every 5 or 10 years I doubt it is a problem. If you are really concerned you can use a dry lube.
- 6) **Reassemble** Nothing special here. Align the key or screw in the slot, snug it, then back it off until the quill moves freely. Minimize the endplay at the handwheel if possible.
- 7) **Enjoy**

Bonus for the brave This is step (0). Inspect the morse taper. Sometimes it gets damaged by a tool spinning inside it. This reduces the holding ability and can lead to additional spinning and more damage. Most of today's hobby lathes are #2 or #3 Morse

tapers. These are big enough to inspect with your finger. They do not need to be perfect but should not have raised ridges. If it needs repaired, I suggest doing it prior to disassembly since you will need to clean all the shavings out of it. Reamers are available at a reasonable cost.



Align the tailstock as close as possible using the reamer with a live center chucked into the headstock.



Do not use power! It is also recommended not to turn the reamer in reverse. I snug

the handwheel and turn the reamer with a wrench. Then slightly turn the handwheel and repeat until satisfied with the results.



Again, removing high spots is the most important result. A small area that is not cleaned up should not hurt anything. Now proceed to step (1).

Club Discounts

Joe Wiesnet, <https://buffalowoodturningproducts.com/>, created a 10% discount on his website specifically for our club. Anyone who wishes to use the discount should set up an account with him and place an order then send Joe an email on his website and he will make the connection on his end and send you the discount code to use for all future orders.

Penn State offers a 10% discount if you are a club member and set up an account with them.

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.

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

"Hats and Shirts" – We have a new supply of hats at \$10.00 ea. See Jim Stottlemyer if you're interested.

Officer's Meeting

The next officer's meeting will be March 22, 2021 at 11:00AM. The location will be at Brothers Pizza restaurant in Greencastle, PA. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we are currently limiting attendance to officers only.

Next Club Meeting

April 1st has been canceled and will be combined with the April 10th Shop Tour/Open Shop at Joe Wertner's shop. Check the website calendar and your emails for announcements.