



Newsletter

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January's Club Meeting

The club met on January 7, 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.

The demonstrator's for the night were Bob Maurer (a long-term fire fighter) and Bill Caldwell. The topics were Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), Fire Safety and First Aid.

Bill Caldwell started things off by identifying some of the risks that are involved in a woodshop environment. Then he discussed the required attitude and some thoughts on your first line of defense. These are items that you do in advance to make a safe work environment; things like ensuring safety guards are attached, keeping tools and equipment in good repair, risk assessments, safety data sheets, and the use of proper safety gear. Some keynotes were to stay alert, form good safe working practices, and "THINK" before you act. The one thing you should never forget is that it's up to you to be responsible for your own safety.

Then Bill talked about PPE. **Eye protection**, use ANSI Z87.1 or Z87+ approved safety glasses or goggles. Note: Regular Rx glasses are not identified as safety glasses. **Face protection**, use ANSI Z87+ (Impact) or Z87.1 (Non-Impact) depending on the task you are performing. Keep in mind that face shields are not eye protection. **Hearing protection**, ear plugs or ear muffs. **Skin protection**, wear clothing that is suited for the task you are performing. If you're wearing a long sleeved shirt or smock around equipment ensure they have tight fitting cuffs. Don't wear gloves around rotating machinery. **Foot protection**, wear closed-toe-shoes or work boots to protect your feet. (Steel toed is even better) **Respiratory protection**, fine airborne particles are harmful to your respiratory system. Wear a disposable, or half face respirator approved by NIOSH. You may need a NIOSH approved air filtration helmet. Individual needs are to be considered when selecting a respirator. For most home woodshops a disposable respirator with a N95 rating with exhalation valve works well in most cases.

Next up was Bob Maurer, who talked about fire and first aid. Some highlights of the items that he discussed are as follows.

1) Fire, you need three components oxygen, fuel and heat; take one away and the fire will extinguish.

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.

2) Fires are classified by the types of fuel they burn. The type of fire extinguisher used depends on the class of fire. Class-A - paper, wood. Class-B - gas, oil. Class-C - energized electrical fires. Class-D - combustible metal fires. The best extinguisher for a woodshop would be Class-A which is filled with water. ABC extinguishers are more commonly available and work well in a shop too. Remember to shake them once a month to prevent the powder from clumping and rendering them ineffective.

3) Electrical overloads. Many fires are caused by overloading an electrical circuit. The electrical code requires that your breaker is sized higher than the maximum expected load of the circuit. Following the rules you should not exceed 80% of the breaker amperage.

4) Dust explosions are usually not a threat in the home woodshop. However fires can develop in a dust collection system.

5) 911 calls. Don't hesitate to call 911 if something happens. Please understand that the operator will ask a lot of questions but while you're talking, other folks are taking the information, setting priorities, and dispatching help.

6) Escaping a fire, keep low to the ground and work your way out.

7) If you're on fire, drop to the ground, cover your face and roll.

8) Note: Smoke detectors are not recommended for a woodshop because wood dust interferes with their proper operation.

First Aid was the last topic for the night. Bob talked about what to do for lacerations, impalement, eye injury, and loss of finger. Keynote, if you're in doubt go to hospital.

A lot of good information was given out, and hopefully it brought a lot of awareness to our members. I would like to thank Bob Maurer for taking the time to come to our meeting and share this information with us. I'm sure I didn't capture everything mentioned during the presentation, but hope I captured most of the key points.

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 something small.***

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 weed pot.

Win-one, Turn-one

The Win-one, Turn-one program is where the drawing winner will receive wood to turn anything that they would like, and will have the option to take last month's turning, or donate it to the club. Then, they will bring in a turning for the next club meeting.

They are not required to use the wood they receive for the turning if they have something else that they would rather use.



The winner for January 2016 was Bonnie Fox. Ken Walker presented her with the wood blank and finished bowl (turned by Bob Robinson). Congratulations Bonnie.

June's Club Meeting

In June we are going to have professional wood turner, Bob Rosand, as a demonstrator. Not sure what he will be demonstrating at this point, but we wanted to give everyone a heads up. The day after the meeting (Friday) there will be a possibility of a class with Bob Rosand and there is usually a cost involved. Cost usually depends on the number of folks that sign up. More information to come as the time gets closer.

Local Demonstration Ideas

In the past we have had demonstrations at the Pippinfest and Gingerbread festival. These are good events that give some folks a chance learn about woodturning, especially the youth. The problem is, when they find out how far away the club is they lose the interest in joining us. So we are reaching out to see if there are any events closer to the club that we could provide demonstration. If you have any ideas please get with Jim Stottlemeyer.

Meeting Ideas for 2017

As Vice President, Joe Wertner is charged with putting together the schedule for 2017. This is a rough process, and takes a while to put together. First thing he will need is ideas from members on what they would like to see. He will also need volunteers to do demonstrations. So, if you can help please get with Joe.

Christmas Toys

Big thanks to Lloyd Benedict and the contributors of toys that were made for some needy children in the area. Lloyd was able to deliver 176 toys from our club plus some additional ones that were made in his shop.

Christmas Party – 2016

As long as I've been a member of the club our Christmas Party has been held at Larry and Nancy's home, and every year they have done an outstanding job in hosting this event. Unfortunately, the time has come when hosting the party has become a difficult task for them to handle anymore.

That being said, we will need a new venue for next year. Unless someone comes forward and offer their home, we will need to obtain a restaurant or some other type of facility for our Christmas Party. If you have any suggestions please let Jim Stottlemeyer or Joe Wertner know.

Wood Working Show

If you missed the Wood Working Show in Baltimore you missed a pretty good show. The next opportunity to catch the show will be February 5-7. The show will be located at the Dulles Expo Center in Chantilly VA. The address is 4320 Chantilly Shopping Center, Chantilly, VA 20151.

Special Guest for February's Club Meeting

Our February 2016 meeting is titled Photograph Your Work. Kristen Mowery, a local schoolteacher and photographer will be our instructor.

We have all taken pictures of a finished project before it leaves our shop. Sometimes the photos look great and, well, sometimes they just don't do our craftsmanship justice. Kristen will help us learn how to achieve consistently good results using little more than our cell phones or digital cameras. That is right, we do not need \$1000 cameras and a professional studio to get acceptable results. But be careful! If you take this up as a hobby it can be very expensive.

Please bring your camera or cell phone and a turning to photograph. We hope to have time at the end of our demo to try some of the techniques we learn.

Next month's challenge (March) is to bring a turning and a photo of that turning.

Hope to see you there.

Membership Dues

We will be collecting dues January through March. If you're not going to be able to make a club meeting during these three months, please make arrangements with the treasurer, Rod Stabler, for payment. Dues are \$40.00 for self, and \$50.00 for family.

Officer's Meeting

The next officer's meeting will be February 29, 2016 at 1200. The location will be at Brothers Pizza restaurant in Greencastle, PA. All members are welcome, and encouraged to attend.

Next Club Meeting

- February 4, 2016
- Demonstration, photographing your work (Kristen Mowery)
- Challenge is to turn a weed pot
- Dues collection