

The Wood Spinner

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Central Virginia Woodturners

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Jim Higgins will be doing a segmented and inlay turning demo for the Woodturners of the Virginias (Timberville) early January 2009.

AMC Hospice Fundraiser

All items were delivered to one of the committee chairman October 22, and she seemed to be absolutely thrilled with the member donations.

Thank you everyone for supporting this worthy cause.

Demo Ideas Anyone?

If you have a demo that you would like to do for the club, sign up now. Suggestions for what you would like to see are also encouraged. We need to get our calendar filled. Contact: Bert Smith, email woodsmith600@comcast.net.

Special thanks to Fred for taking the photos for the newsletter in my absence.

Way to go, Fred!

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President's Corner

For those of you who missed it, Bert Smith gave a most enjoyable and informative demo on making Christmas Bell decorations. From his amiable chatter to his several new tool creations for the demo (ask him about his extra low cost compressed air system) to his shameless partisan promotion of Oneway over Jet lathes, he was most entertaining. He covered turning the basic shape, various ways of decorating the bells, and attaching the hanger. CVW now has a running start on the Christmas season, and it's just now Halloween. I hope to get a nice video for members to check out.

Thank you Bert.

The Virginia Symposium is right upon us. At \$50 for the weekend, \$35 for the day, it is a real deal for those interested in more lathe talk, inspiration and plenty of good

camaraderie. Details follow at the end of the newsletter.

Our upcoming demo for November will be Jeff Fleisher from Harrisonburg area on photographing your work. This should be of interest to many of us, for a good photograph can really enhance the presentation of your handiwork and is vital for real promotion when you get into sales. If there is good response to this demo, perhaps we could follow up on a thought I've had for a good while and offer a studio photo shoot for club members. We could schedule a day when several of us could bring our best gear to some central location (Crimora?) and make studio shots of your best pieces, and send the results back on disc or flash drive for your use.

Hoping to see you this weekend,

Fred

Christmas Bells Demonstration

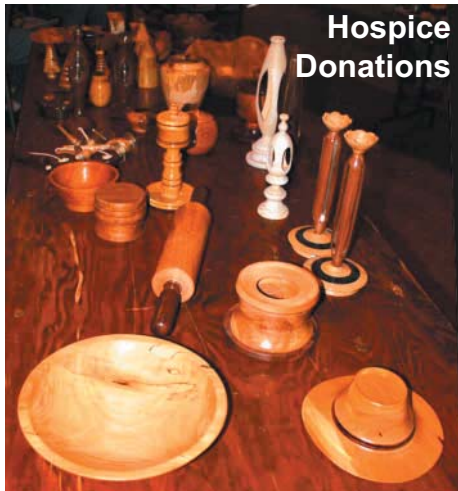
Our own Bert Smith shared his thoughts and methods for producing holiday bells. In the photo below Bert shows how he sprays a finish on an item hung by a string. A backing board catches the overspray. More inspiration, pictures, and info are on page 5.



Image shows some of Bert's bells front and left. Don Voas provided his own variation on bells shown on the right.

Show and Tell

Please accept our apologies in advance if anyone, any item, or submission is misidentified. It is not intentional.



Hospice Donations



Jim Oates' Back Scratchers



Elbert Dale



Nate Hawkes



Tim Quillen



Jim Higgins



Hospice Donations Table



Jim Oates



Chapter General Meeting — October Meeting Notes

October 21, 2008 at 6:30 pm
Crimora Community Center

Officers in attendance were:

President: Fred Williamson
Roving Vice President: Starke Smith
Programs Vice President: Bert Smith
Treasurer: Dennis Hippen
Video Chief: John O'Neil
Librarian: Joan Baumgardner
Secretary: Joan Baumgardner

Absent officers were:

Webmaster: John Heyden
Newsletter Editor: Betty Gruber

General Members: 39

Guests: 4

Fred Williamson called the Central Virginia Woodturners (CVW) meeting to order at 6:30 pm. The following items were discussed:

Donations for the "First Annual Festival of Trees", the AMC Hospice of Shenandoah Fundraiser will be held at Fairfax Hall in Waynesboro on Nov. 14-15 were collected. This fundraiser is near to the club's heart, and its contributions are in memory of fellow deceased woodturning members, Joe Berg and Jon LaPorte. Fifteen members contributed over 50 turned items. Tom Evans assisted in the collection, documentation and delivery of the donations. The donations will be placed in the Christmas Gift Shop. Items not sold will be given to the Shenandoah Valley Art Center (SVAC) in Waynesboro to sell during the holidays to support SVAC programs. Club members will be included in the program as memorial to Joe Berg and Jon LaPorte. Tom Evans won \$100 from the Shenandoah Valley Art Center (SVAC) in Waynesboro.

Thanks to Tom Evans for the sign in process at the meeting, and to Tom, Jim Oates, and others for packing the donated items after the meeting.

Fred discussed the need for a chuck to be used for the club's lathe. Starke Smith made the motion to purchase this equipment. A unanimous vote, in favor of this purchase, by the general members was obtained. Starke Smith will order the chuck and the purchase will

be placed on the CVW credit card.

Fred discussed the need for a quality sharpening system, as the current equipment was not functioning properly. Prior to this meeting, Elbert Dale had voluntarily repaired the current sharpening system and the expense was spared.

Three hundred CVW club brochures were printed and available for distribution by members as needed.

Virginia Woodturning Symposium will be held on November 1-2, 2008 in Fishersville, VA. Don Voas provided a list of demonstrators scheduled to appear at the Virginia Woodturning Symposium. The entrance fees are \$50 for both days or \$35 for one-day. One and a half hours has been allotted to each demonstrator. Four Professional turners and approximately 48 local turners will be demonstrating at 12 different mentoring stations. Klingspor, the Sanding Glove, and a wood supplier, are some of the vendors that will be present at the event.

Items identified by the Symposium organizers that are needed include:

Drill press. Miles Eberhardt volunteered his press for use.

Ten easel stands to be used to hold demonstrators flip charts. Miles Eberhardt volunteered one and Starke Smith had arranged for the others.

Lathe. Currently there are two Jet 1642 models and several Jet mini lathes for use. Bert Smith volunteered the use of his OneWay lathe.

Fred Williamson, Tom Evans, Dennis Martin, and Jim Oates have volunteered to assist with setup on Friday 10/31 from 1 -5 pm. All of the previously mentioned individuals agreed to return equipment on Sunday Nov 2.

Harry Kellum distributed General Finishes and The Sanding Glove product brochures to members, as well as a complementary 120 and/or 180 grit-sanding disc to members.

Miles Eberhardt shared his experiences with members concerning the recent lack of enthusiasm at select county fairs, as well as, his enthusiasm with school

age children at the Virginia State Fair.

In January 2009, Jim Higgins will be demonstrating "how to turn a segmented maple leaf bowl" at the Mount Jackson Woodturning Club.

Library contributions

- ◆ Three DVDs of Tom Crabb's "Turned to Bend" demonstration
- ◆ Woodturner Studio DVD donated by Harold Green
- ◆ Brochures for the "Country Workshops", a school for woodworkers in the Blue Ridge Mountains of western North Carolina. The school focuses on handmade tools, carving, etc.
- ◆ Large picture and several postcards the Monticello tree, which was obtained by Fred Williamson.

Treasurer's Report:

Current balance is \$1161.

Show and Tell:

This session was initiated by Starke Smith. There was a large selection of turned pieces and helpful hints. Ray Kidd, Tom Evans, and Kirk McCauley were each a recipient of a gift certificate from Craft Supply.

Silent Auction:

Dennis Hippen managed the auction, which included some sealed pieces of poplar from Monticello. The auction rendered \$65.

Demonstration:

Bert Smith provided a demonstration on turning holiday bells/ornaments.

November Auction:

For the November meeting the CVW will conduct a silent tool auction instead of the usual wood auction. Tools should be portable to the meeting. The seller should place a minimum bid on their item if desired. Twenty percent of the sale will go to the club.

The next meeting of the Central Virginia Woodturner's will be held at the Crimora Community Center on November 18, 2008 at 6:30 pm.

The meeting was adjourned.
Joan Y Baumgardner

Virginia Symposium Schedule

compiled and submitted by Don Voas

“It’s Your Turn” (below) provides the overall 2-day schedule listing the four featured professional turners and their demonstration topics. Following each of these traditional demonstrations, there will be 12 stations with talented Virginia turners simultaneously mentoring attendees for hands-on turning at the lathe. These mentors, their topics and presentation times are summarized on page 5 and 6 under Virginia Symposium Mentors List.

Several local and regional vendors and tool supply houses will have displays and tools available for inspection and sale. CVW member Miles Everard will be on hand with his Trolley Car at this semi-annual event that attracts wood turners from Virginia and surrounding states. Entrance fees are \$50 for both days, \$35 for one-day attendance, with children 16 years of age and younger free. An instant gallery showcasing the work of regional turners requires no admission fee.

It’s Your Turn

Virginia Woodturning Expedition
November 1 and 2, 2008
Expoland, Fishersville, VA

Saturday, Nov. 1

8:30-10:00 AM	Demonstration Barbara Dill: Everything You Ever Wanted to Know about Multi-Axis Spindle Turning but Were Afraid to Ask.
10:00 AM-12:30 PM	It’s Your Turn
12:30-1:30 PM	Break Time
1:30-3:00 PM	Demonstration Ed Moore: How Marine Life Enters Woodturning
3:00-5:30 PM	It’s Your Turn

Sunday, Nov. 2

8:30-10:00 AM	Demonstration Jim Vogel: Getting the Bends When Hollowing
10:00 AM-12:30 PM	It’s Your Turn
12:30-1:30 PM	Break Time
1:30-3:00 PM	Demonstration Walt Bennet: Oval Woodturning with the Vicmarc VOD
3:00-5:00 PM	It’s Your Turn

The blocks of time labeled “It’s Your Turn” are the mentoring sessions (see page 5 and 6). The Demonstrations will be only one offering at a time for all to see.

Coming Shows, Symposiums & Events

Virginia—2008 Virginia Symposium, November 1 & 2, 2008 in Fishersville, VA. Format is 10-12 “Hands-On Learning Centers”. Mentors and volunteers needed. Contact Peter Toch (540) 774-4152, email: ptoch@comcast.net

Arizona—The Arizona Woodturner’s Association will hold its **Third Desert Woodturning Roundup**, February 6, 7 & 8, 2009 at the Mesa Convention Center, Mesa, AZ.

For details please go to: www.desert-woodturningroundup.com

Klingspor’s will be one of the vendors at the Nov. 1&2 Virginia Symposium.

Club Events

November 18—Photographing your pieces

December—TBD

January—TBD

February—TBD

More Show and Tell



Examples from the member Show and Tell are above bowl by Jim Higgins and below bowl by Nate Hawkes.



Virginia Symposium Mentors List

Here is the list of the mentors at the VA Symposium that Don Voas composed, in an easy to read format.

Mentor	Topic	Saturday		Sunday	
		10 a.m.	3 p.m.	10 a.m.	3 p.m.
Bandy, Bill	Pepper Mills	1-F			
Bandy, Bill	Turning Distinctive Pens			3-L	
Beene & Noffsinger	Decorating	1-B			
Birchfield, Matt	Sharpening	1-K			
Boley, Tom	Sharpening	2-B			
Boley, Tom	Natural Edge Bowls			3-C	
Campbell, Dug	Inside Out Turning	1-H			
Campbell, Dug	Mastering the Skew	2-D			
Chattin, Fred	Lamp Bases			3-H	
Crabb, Tom	Two-Axis Hollow Form, All From the Top	1-A			
Cruise, Lucy	Marbling	1-M			
Cruise, Richard	Bowls			3-K	
Dale, Elbert	Basic Skew Work			3-G	
Dale, Elbert	Advanced Skew Work, Spin Tops			4-C	
Dill, Barbara	Multi-Axis Turning	2-A			
Dill, Barbara	Goblets			3-E	
Everett, Ruben	Trivets	2-L			
Grebeldinger, Aaron	Spheres	2-G			
Grebeldinger, Aaron	Tops			4-L	
Kallman, Ray	Fishing Lures	2-C			
Karch, Ed	Sharpening			3-F	
Karch, Ed	Round Bottom Bowls			4-D	
Kiebert, Al	Bottle Stoppers			3-A	
Lambert, Harold	Heirloom Christmas Ornaments			3-B	
Lewis, Matt	Tool Making			4-G	
McCauley, Kirk	Hat Making	2-K			
Mitchum, Drew	3-Legged Stool - 1			3-D	
Mitchum, Drew	3-Legged Stool - 2			4-A	
Moore, Ed	Ornaments and Earrings			4-K	
O'Brien, Patrick	Goblets	2-M			
O'Brien, Patrick	Natural Edge Mushrooms	1-L			
Pearce, David	Galley Quality Photography of Your Work	2-J			
Pearce, David	Turning Distinctive Pens			4-J	
Proffitt, Jim	Platters	2-F			
Proffitt, Jim	Pyrography & Coloring			4-F	

Mentors List continued on next page

Christmas Bells Demo



Bert Smith provides some bell variation examples.



He shapes the wood into a bell exterior.



After he parts off the piece he burns in little stars around the ornament.

Below are Show and Tell items created by Marsden Champaign



Virginia Symposium Mentors List *(continued)*

Mentor	Topic	Saturday		Sunday	
		10 a.m.	3 p.m.	10 a.m.	3 p.m.
Schlesinger, Morris	Elbow Hollowing Tool				4-B
Schlesinger, Morris	Threaded Boxes	1-D			
Smith, Shannon	Turkey Calls			3-M	
Smith, Starke	Turning Repairs, Chain Saw Safety				4-M
Stepanski, Frank	Wood Preparation	1-J			
Stepanski, Frank	Bird Houses			3-J	
Voas, Don	Vacuum Chucking	1-G			
Warren, Al	Sharpening				4-H
Warren, Al	Two Piece Hollow Vessels		2-H		
Welch, Peter	Natural Edge Bowls	1-C			
Whitehurst, Jerry	Backboard Chucking of Bowls, + Picture				4-E
Williamson, Fred	Greenwood Bowls		2-E		
Williamson, Fred	Thompson Tool Hollow Forms	1-E			
Total Mentors / Sessions		12	12	12	12

More Show and Tell



Kirk McCauley



Above Show and Tell examples by Bryce Connelly Bob Swope and others.

About Central Virginia Woodturners

Central Virginia Woodturners is a local chapter of the AAW with over 69 active members. Club meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month from 6:30 to 9:00 P.M. Meetings are held at the Crimora Community Center.

Directions—to the Crimora Community Center on Route 612 just west of Rt. 340 in Crimora.

From Staunton and points north—

From I-81 take the Rt. 612 exit (Verona Exit) east, or

From route 11 just north of Verona, turn east onto Rt. 612, across from Burger King.

Stay on 612, for 10-12 miles.

As soon as you cross South River, the Crimora Community Center is on your left.

From Charlottesville and points east, from I-64—

Take Exit 96 (Lyndhurst Exit) and go north on Delphine Street.

After a mile of so you will cross 250E at the Hess Station and join 340 north.

Alternatively you can take Exit 99 at the top of Afton Mountain and get onto 250 West. Go 3 miles to turn right at the Hess Station, 340 north.

From there it is 6 miles to Crimora.

Turn Left on Rt. 612 at the BP gas station.

Go about 1 mile crossing RR tracks. The center is on the right just after the RR tracks.

Contact information:

For information on attending CVW meetings or joining CVW, contact: Fred Williamson, CVW President, f1w2@cville.net; Bert Smith, CVW Vice President—Events, woodsmith600@adelphia.net; Starke Smith, starke@cfw.com; or, Dennis Hippen, CVW Treasurer, Hipwood@comcast.net.



Tom Evans entered this month's SVAC (Shenandoah Valley Art Center) member show in Waynesboro and was judged as a show winner. Tom got one of the "Awards of Distinction" for his Spalted Maple Bowl w/Voids.

Congrats to Tom.