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#### **Dates to Note**

February 7
Cub Meeting
Reverse Turning
Hollow forms

### **Totally Turning**

March 31 and April 1 Saratoga Springs, NY

# **South Central PA WoodTurners**

# January 2012



Thoughts
from the
President
Don Wilson

The year is shaping up with a full year of programs. The programs may change as the year progresses and we expect to keep the list of programs updated on our web page www.pawoodturners.com. We are removing the need for a login and password to the web site for the members convenience.

I think you will find the programs interesting and diverse. The programs will be geared towards introducing new ideas and ways to turn. The all day session with Beth Ireland will be of particular interest to all who have access to a band saw. Beth will also talk about how to think creatively. I know that creativity shows up at odd times and sometimes we need to take notes because it is when we aren't at the lathe. Other programs will also jog your thoughts about how to create different objects from you turnings.

I have been watching the videos the club owns as I am in the process of converting them from VHS to DVD. They offer good instruction for many different projects. I know I have picked up some ideas. They are available to all of the members from the library. Both VHS and DVD will be available to sign out. If you have videos that you would like to donate to the club please let me know. We will be happy to add them to the list.

I hope this winter weather stays mild and look forward to seeing you at the February meeting.

Happy Turning Don

#### <u>Planning Meeting, January 3, 2011</u> Submitted by Carol Woodbury

An informal planning meeting was held at John Stewart's home.

#### **Sound System:**

With a Treasury of \$3,213 and the possibility of another educational grant through AAW, it was agreed that a new sound system be purchased from B & H of NY. They are least expensive for 4 microphones and offer the ability to integrate with our video equipment. These microphones should not cause the same problems with the metal chairs & lathes in the meeting room. Four will allow one for the demonstrator, one for Don to interact with him/her, one for audience participation, and one reserve unit.

#### **Hands-on Session:**

Don brought up holding another hands-on session on a Saturday. The topics would be sharpening, reshaping and making tools and/or better tool control to cut down on sanding. He will look at the calendar.

#### **Church Contract**

Bill Fordney is signing the yearly contract with the church for the use of the meeting hall then sending a copy to AAW for insurance purposes.

Bill will also ask the cost of the whole day Turning session with Beth Ireland on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Everyone agreed that the church ladies should be asked to make lunch again, although there will be a smaller attendance, due to it being a Wednesday.

#### Newsletter Web-site

After much discussion, it was decided to drop the password requirement for access to the web Newsletter. Carol felt that only one email address should be public, such as contact@pawoodturners.com or info@ or some such thing to consolidate non-member contact, but the consensus was that everyone's could be listed. Becky Pieffer (web-site developer) should give Don access to the administration of the pages so he can keep the calendar up to date.

#### Cabin Fever Set-up

Cabin Fever set-up was on Friday morning: 3 lathes were used. The club's floor-standing shelving was used for the "sale" items and Tom Deneen's shelving for the Not For Sale gallery. This year's charity will be the York Rescue Mission.

#### **Turning Challenges**

Don threw out these challenges:

- pick your burl and make something
- make a bowl from a board

#### **Treasurer's Report update**

John Stewart has just updated the status of our funds. Treasury stands at \$2595.74. This reflects the yearly payment for rent at the "club house" in Jacobus.

#### **Cabin Fever Update**

Cabin Fever raised \$525 for the York Rescue Mission. The club donated \$287.50 to the Agricultural & Industrial Museum in the name of the Gary Schoenley (the promoter of Cabin Fever). This reflects 10% of the merchandise sold by members of the club.

## **2012 Programs Schedule**

The 2012 program discussion produced the following (flexible) schedule:

February 7 – Reverse turning a hollow form

March 6 – Metal spinning, Barry Stump

April 3 – Segmented turning, by Al Fox

May 1 – Turning peppermills, Tom Deneen

# May 23 all day session – Beth Ireland, Turning bandsaw boxes

June 5 – Wood jewelry, Barb Palastak, Charlie Stuhre,

July 10 - Using indexing on lathe and sawing up your turning.

August 7 – Club Picnic

September 4 - Power carving-rotary and reciprocating tools

October 2 – Turning thin and piercing

November 6 – Turning a square bowl

December 4- Christmas party

Other suggestions included asking members of other clubs to demonstrate, possibly Larry Miller or Bob Robinson, or getting new DVDs or using our own VHS videos of The Greats demonstrating, to fill in when there's a cancellation

# **Dues are Due**

### A few members have still not paid their dues!

You are going to miss a lot of good stuff on turning if you decide not to rejoin. The demos by members or outside turners and what you pick up in a casual conversation can be invaluable for getting to that next level of turning, finishing or artistic endeavor that you wish to attain. Plus you get the 2 picnics which alone are worth the cost.

### **CA Glue**

The club has a new supply of CA glue with tops, caps, etc., available.

# CABIN FEVE

A good and productive time was had by many members of the club at the Cabin Fever Expo. Many admirers of our work. Retail sales were brisk. Tops and other turnings were sold for the benefit of the York Rescue Mission. We had great club participation and it was a fun time! So if you missed it this year be sure to make it next year. The Expo will be held in April in 2013.

#### Set-Up



Planning meeting, great minds at work!



No, I think it goes this way.



An adjustable lathe bench made by Bill Fordney





Ready To go!



What do these folks have in common?? They have just been Sworded!

The story is as follows: All of our prized turnings were displayed in a common area. A fine young lady was comparing all the wares from bowls, trinkets and ornaments. I was explaining all the differences in an unbiased manner. After considering all the pieces she bought 2 ornaments of mine without a moments hesitation. After the sale, I turn around and this is what I saw. I can't help it if the young lady had exquisite artistic taste!

The term Sworded was coined by Tom D. A synonym for getting the shaft. Honestly - Bryan Sword-newsletter editor.



Tom Deneen's stuff was so popular the rest of us had writer's cramps from writing up his sales. Phil was doing big bucks also.





Barbara was waving money around while I just kept an eye on the inventory.



Young Tom gives John some pointers.



Phil demonstrates top making



Joan gives the sales pitch.



Great Displays



