



South Central PA WoodTurners

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Dates to Note

Club Meetings

Tuesday –Feb. 4, 2014

Social 6 – 6:30 PM

Meeting – 6:30 PM

*Tool Sharpening
By Don Wilson*

**York Builders Home Show
Feb 7-9
York EXPO Center**

**Totally Turning
Woodturning Symposium
March 29-30
Saratoga Springs, NY**

**Cabin Fever
April 11-13
York EXPO Center**



*Thoughts
from
President
Don Wilson*

2013 was a pretty busy year. We were involved in Cabin Fever, The Heritage Trust, Festival of Trees and started the 2014 season with the Farm Show displaying Pennsylvania Hardwood items that club members have turned. The display at the Farm Show got a lot of attention and lots of questions. A big thank you to all who displayed items and volunteered to work the display at the Farm Show.

We have a full program for 2014 and have a schedule worked out. Many of the demonstrators come from our club talent pool. Collectively there is a lot of talent in the South Central PA Woodturners Club. It is hard to come up with new programs each year, but there is also a need to repeat topics. The repeats will be different but cover much of the same material. This is a necessity to help new people come along in skills.

Do you sometimes have brilliant flashes of what you want to make or do? You pour through magazines and books to find inspiration? I find that I cycle through periods of time when I can just think things up and other times when I go back to what someone else has made and copy it. Many of us need to see something to be able to make it. Keep in mind that the club has a library of books and videos that are available to borrow.

Demonstration opportunities are coming up with the York Builders Show in February and Cabin Fever in April. Club members are welcome to join in demonstrating but you need to belong to the AAW, (American Association of Woodturners), so you will be covered by insurance at these events. Most of the members are already members of the AAW. If you have any questions please ask any of the officers about the AAW. It is always a good time to get together with other member woodturners to learn tips and tricks from them, as well as pass along some of your own. You are welcome to join in.

I hope you enjoy the coming year of demonstrations and opportunities to learn more about wood turning.

See you soon, Don

2014 Meeting Schedule and Topics

The years planning meeting took place at John Stewart's organizational headquarters on Tuesday Jan. 7, 2014. Idea for demonstrations were tossed around and discussed. The main problem is the lack of new demonstrators. So the board is always looking for new blood and ideas. If you wish to participate please come forward. After much discussion the following events and demonstrations were scheduled.

February 4, 2014

Tool sharpening demonstration – Don Wilson

March 4, 2014 – Hollowing vessels

April 1, 2014

Coring wood bowls – Tom Deneen

May 6, 2014 – Goblet

June 3, 2014 – Bottle stopper

July 1, 2014 – Club Picnic

August 5, 2014 Spiral finials – Phil Reed

September 2, 2014

Fabulous finials – Barb Fordney

October 7, 2014

Ornaments – Bill Fordney

November 4, 2014

Box with snap fit – Tom Deneen

November 11, 2014 - All day demo

Jimmy Clewes

December 2, 2014

Club Christmas party



Great minds at work

November 2013-Show and Tell

Photos by Phil Reed



Phil Reed
Balls
Maple, butternut,
cherry and cedar

(Oh, this could be such an opportunity for comment, but this is a family site.)



Gary Vreeland
2 bowls
Maple burl
and pin oak



Clark Bixler
Miniature finial box
Cherry
Clark took a lesson from
Cindy Drozda.



Barry Stump
Red Maple
Bowl



Bryan Sword
Mushroom box
Spalted Yellow Birch
Meticulously and
delicately carved
mushroom-like vanes on
underside of top.



Farm Show Display

President Don reported that our display at the Farm Show was very well received and admired. Viewers were intrigued by the new species of maple called "spalted maple" represented by Don's hollow form. (We did explain that spaltling in wood was caused by fungi giving a unique coloration to the wood and then the vessel was dyed.)

Don also said that the booth organizer, Wayne Bender of the PA Dept. of Agriculture, was pleased with our club's involvement and the quality of the display.

November Demo: Two Part Lamp

By Don Wilson



Lamp Body: Drill hole through cylinder that will become the lamp body with special lamp drill augur, 5/16". (This drill bit is available at Harbor Freight.) Put drill bit through tail stock and push through the cylinder.

Don says by using the tail stock as a guide the hole will be fairly straight. The lamp wire will be run through here later. Turn cylinder between centers, make tenon on end $\frac{3}{4}$ " diameter.

For base: Start with a 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ " square piece of wood about 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " thick.

Drill a hold for the electrical wire in



from the side about $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the bottom while the piece is still square. Drill this hole so it will reach the middle. Drill a $\frac{3}{4}$ " hole in the

middle of the top side but not all the way through.

Put the square base on the chuck with a woodworm chuck (pre-drilling hole for the screw chuck). Make base round.



Glue in the cylinder with Titebond 2 glue. With spindle gouge, blend cylinder and base to hide the joint.

Shape the cylinder to the design you prefer. After the turned piece is removed from the



lathe you drill the hole for the woodworm larger to make wiring the lamp easier.

Lamp fixture parts are available at Lowes, etc.

Thanks again, Don!



Members pay rapt attention to Don as he once again demonstrates his extraordinary skill at whipping out a unique and functional turned item.

November 2013 Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Barbara Fordney

President Don Wilson called the meeting to order.



Barry Stump brought a red maple bowl for the raffle, which was won by Carol Hunter.

Items for Sale

John Stewart has CA glue for sale.

Bill Fordney brought respirator masks for sale.

Treasurers Report

Treasurer John Stewart reported \$2713.91 in the treasury.



Festival of Trees

The Festival of Trees occurred on Nov. 8, 9, 10 with auction Nov. 11. The Club had a decorated tree, done by the Hunters & Stewarts. Our tree sold for over \$500 plus there were about 20 pens that sold for \$20 ea. The Council of Churches will no longer sponsor this show, however another sponsor will be taking over this charity event.

Woodcraft Pens

Woodcraft items for the troops were due in mid-December

Farm Show

The Farm Show was on Jan. 3 through Jan. 11, 2014, exhibits 9 AM to 9 PM. The Club provided volunteers for the booth. Free parking passes were given to the volunteers. Over all the Farm Show booth was quite a success.



Laminated wood frame bicycle

Holiday - Christmas Party

The club annual Christmas party was held at the Stewart's party room. The main dish was provided by the Stewart's for which we do thank them again. The dinner consisted of the main dish and desserts until the Sword's finally showed up (a bit late) with the only vegetable dish. (This is when we needed those extra broccoli salads from the summer picnic.) But a good time was had and no lack for desserts.



Holiday Raffle

Raffle prize donated by Phil Reed. This was the holiday raffle; that the winner did not have to bring a turned item to the next meeting. Thanks again to Phil.



Club Raffle

Red Elm plate with pyrography donated by Carol Hunter. This was the raffle that the



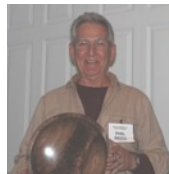
winner must bring a turned item for the next meeting.



The plate was won by Kate Carnes. Mike Carnes was overjoyed at the opportunity to make another turned creation for the club raffle.



Show and Tell



Phil Reed

Walnut crotch bowl



Barry Stump

Chinese chestnut bowl



Clark Bixler

Lidded box
Spectra-ply and holly



Dave Hunter

Cherry bowl



Leo Deller

Christmas ornament



Jim Morrow

Oak box