



# South Central PA WoodTurners

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## July 2015 Newsletter

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## Dates to Note

**Tuesday Aug. 4, 2015**

The one and only

**Leo Deller**

Sharing secrets on  
**Segmented Turning**

**Tuesday Sept 1, 2015**

**David Reed Smith**

Author of many wood  
turning articles

**Sphere Ornaments**



**Saturday Sept 12, 2015**

Professional Turner

**Mike Sorge**

High Speed Turning

\$30 - Club Members

\$35 - Nonmembers

Includes Lunch

### President's Column

By Dave Neuburger



Summer is fully upon us now and the trees are in the green. This being my first summer not working in 32 years has been a very pleasant and relaxing time. I've had opportunities to travel quite a bit over the past years and every time I return to York I think to myself how fortunate we are to live in such a beautiful area. If you think the traffic is bad in the county come with me to Long Island, New York and see what real congestion is. If you think it is too hot here, I just got back from a week visiting friends in Mississippi. And while York county is developing at a rapid pace compared to many areas, we still maintain a nice balance of nature and culture. And we have trees galore. A veritable garden for woodturners is in our backyards. I remember at the Jimmy Clewes demo last year when he commented how hard it is to get many types of wood living in Las Vegas. We are fortunate.

With the great turnout for the Honey Pot challenge I was impressed not only with the variety of approaches in design but also in the many different types of wood used to good effect.

So my message of the month is to give thanks for the exquisiteness of the raw material that we are lucky to have around us in such abundance and the fun that we have in bringing out the hidden patterns and shapes that our craft endows us with.

*Happy turning, Dave*



*President Dave, on the beach at Sea Isle City, NJ regrets his not being at the August meeting but is hopeful the membership will understand.*

### Beekeepers Display and Honey Pot Sale



The beekeepers have a display at the York fair in September where they sell honey and give out information. There is interest in us providing them with honey pots and dippers to sell there. Dave thought it reasonable (and they agree) that the turners can decide the selling price of each

pot and will receive 2/3 of that and the beekeeper club will keep 1/3. This would be a trial sale to see if there is interest in the community. You would not need to be there or do anything more than make the pots and decide your selling price. I am interested to see how much interest there is in this. Please email Dave if you would like to participate and ~ how many pots you would like to provide. Again these should not need to be large and the tops should be a little loose fitting. Looks like a win/win to me. Dave will collect the pots at the September meeting.

### Mike Sorge

#### High Speed Turning Demo

Saturday Sept 12, 2015



The club is excited that we will be having Mike Sorge demo at our meeting house for a full day on Saturday,

September 12, 2015. At the club picnic earlier this month, over ten members indicated that they were interested in attending. I would like to get a good idea of how many others plan to attend as we are also opening this up to other clubs.

Mike is a great teacher and we are excited about his visit. As Mike describes his work, "I enjoy rescuing, revealing, and preserving the incredibly diverse inherent natural beauty of the fallen tree through the art of high speed wood sculpting, creating elegant signature sculptures for art and utilitarian use; heirlooms for generations of enjoyment."

The cost will be \$30 for club members (\$35 for nonmembers) which will include a full lunch.

For further information regarding Mike's work check out his website at [www.mikesorge.com](http://www.mikesorge.com)

## Woodturner's Picnic Minutes 7-7-15

Submitted by Carol Woodbury

Our "what would we do without her" Secretary



### Our Summer Picnic!

After a delicious pot-luck supper, **President Dave opened the meeting by thanking hosts Joan and John Stewart.** Everyone was in agreement that our picnics at their house are always fantastic and fun.

### Treasurer's Report:

After the purchase of the CarMate trailer, the treasury holds \$3,141.93, of which \$1,743.50 is designated to go to a local charities. The budget for the CarMate still holds \$215 in case of any added expenses. The title will be held in a fireproof safe at Dave's house.

### Mike Sorge Demo

Dave reported that we are still on target for the Sorge all day demonstration on Saturday, Sept. 12 th. The cost will be \$30 for members and \$35 for non-members for the full day with lunch. He sent around a signup sheet and 12 members showed interest in attending.

### Ellsworth Demo Date Change

For next year, Dave Ellsworth had agreed to demonstrate in York in June, 2016, but has had to change the date to **Saturday, July 2, 2016.** A show of hands indicated that most will be at home over the July Fourth weekend and will attend on the new date.

### Raffle Winners

**Barb Fordney** won the Phil Reed's threaded box.

**Phil Reid** won the raffle for Show and Tell.

### Club trailer and lathe bench makeover

A dedicated crew is working on the club trailer and lathe stands. The stands are being converted so they are height adjustable. Finally, it was realized that the averaged height of club members was above 5'2" but closer to 6'3". With this conversion taller, and more handsome members, can comfortably show off their what talent they may have.



Leo Deller commented on John's cheap nails as one nail after another bent.



John only said a good carpenter doesn't complain because of his tools



Barry was looking good here as he realized the pictures were for national publication

All kidding aside these members, including **John Stewart, Leo Deller, Phil Reid, Barry Stump and Bill Croff** have put in a lot of time to expand the capabilities of the club to demonstrate at various venues. Hopefully this will encourage new people to join and become active in the club.

## Show and Tell

### Barry Stump

Hollow form with finial, spalted maple with turquoise inlay. Barry said this was a save as it slipped out of his hands when almost finished and bounced across his shop floor with disastrous effect.



### Bryan Sword

Cherry box with top decorated with sea shells



### Tom Deneen

Cheese plate & matching knife  
Spalted poplar  
(Cracker groove sized to hold Ritz crackers)



### Leo Deller

Segmented basket  
22 rows of 12 pieces per row  
Leo asked for suggestions for a use for this creation.



### Phil Reid

Miniature threaded box  
donated for auction to benefit the club.  
Almost \$30 was raised.

## President's Challenge: Honey Pot



There was excellent response from the club members who donated 19 honey pots in a variety of shapes and woods. In exchange for each pot, the Beekeeper's Club will provide 2 lbs. of York County honey.

**Barb Fordney** won the special president's raffle, receiving a \$25 gift certificate for Wyndridge restaurant in Dallastown.

### Honey Care

Dave mentioned that honey should never be microwaved or boiled to best preserve its nutrient properties. If necessary, a warm water bath can be used. Dave said cloudy honey is good honey, clear means all the natural goodies have been killed.

# Honey Pot and Picnic Picture Show

