

Richmond Woodturners Newsletter

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Richmond Woodturners

We always welcome new members!

Next meeting August 18th at Woodcraft.

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Richmond Woodturners Dues:

\$25 individual, \$35 family & \$15 student. Member applications are available upon request at meetings or via email.

Future Meeting Dates: (Most Always the Third Thursday)

September 15th, October 20th, November 17th

AAW Membership:

Dues are \$40 per year. For this, you receive 4 issues of "The American Woodturner" (a \$30+ value), a great resource directory (over 450 pages), a huge annual symposium, personal grant opportunities, third party liability protection, and much more. If you are the least bit serious about woodturning, you can't afford to miss out on all this.

Library: See Joe Daniels to borrow tapes and other publications related to woodturning, for only a modest deposit or donation to the club, if you like. A reference list of available material will be forthcoming in the near future.

Ray Deyo continues to offer a 10% discount on non-power tools and supplies on meeting nights at Woodcraft to members only. Another very good reason to join!

Announcements:

- ◆ Put Saturday, August 27 on your calendar and plan on attending a club outing picnic at Sid and Penny Mace's home in Reedville. They will provide and cook the meat. Others should bring a favorite dish from the major categories of items. Someone needs to keep a tally of attendance and food sign up. Last years outing was a huge success and well worth the drive despite the bad weather encountered. Sid has plenty of toys and projects to the amusement of all. Penny is equally talented and shares with everyone attending. Don't miss this fun event and come rain or shine!
- ◆ **Christian Burchard** will be demonstrating for us on Tuesday, Sept 20. Check his work out at the following address: <http://www.burchardstudio.com/> Put this on your calendar and don't miss it. Look for more details to follow.

Turning Challenge Schedule:

August – Open, bring a recent turning.

Program Schedule:

- ◆ August - Sanding your bowls. Bring your questions or examples of problems you may be having.

TOTALLY TURNING 2005 will be held in the Empire State Plaza Convention Center in Albany, NY on October 15 and 16. Featured presenters will be Stuart Batty, Nick Cook, and Andi Wolfe. Complete information related to the symposium is available on the symposium website WWW.TOTALLYTURNING.COM

July Meeting Notes

Several of our members attended the AAW Symposium in Overland Park, Kansas; Jim Bumpas, Tom Crabb., Dan Luttrell, Lee Scarbrough, and Mark Strang. Tom was a featured demonstrator and is well recognized among turners from across the country, as is Dan who is now the Chairman of the Best Practices Committee for AAW. The demonstrations, exhibits and special events were superb as were the accommodations. There was an environment of friendliness and common ground among attendees regardless of years of turning or professional recognition. The trade show was a highlight and lots of deals that were too good to pass up.

Matt did a great job leading the group in Jim's absence. Be sure to give Matt plenty of support. Thanks Matt for a job well done!



After meeting announcements and challenge project sharing Harry Howell demonstrated sharpening techniques. Many members brought in their dull tools and left with sharp ones and a lot of know-how for sharpening when they got home.

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4H Project Update

The 4H project was a big hit with the kids. Jim Bumpas, Mr. and Mrs. Phil English and Harry Howell were present at the Northern VA. 4H Camp on Aug 3 in Front Royal. Harry demonstrated top turning for groups of boys and girls throughout the afternoon and the rest assisted campers as they sanded and oiled their bowls and painted and decorated the tops. Richmond Woodturners should be very proud of your efforts and the resounding success of this project. The boys and girls were very interested and enthusiastic. Harry was an excellent demonstrator and held the interest of all.

Thanks to all of you for your commitment and hard work that made this first year a wonderful experience for approx 200 children.



Our Bowls Ready for Finishing



Kids Intensely Watching Harry



Harry Surrounded by Kids!

Turning Challenge:



Tool Storage Idea:

If you are looking for quick access to your lathe tools see the caddy shown below. It is made on rollers from a dolly purchased at Northern and readily available at many supply houses. Of course you can make the dolly if you wish though the dolly is almost as cheap as four wheels purchased separately. Simply mount an A-frame on top of the dolly and attach home made tool holders to the plywood. Those shown are 2x4's drilled with 1 inch holes which are slotted on the band saw for easy tool drop in. The other side has an assortment of nail, screw and dowel hangers to hold just about anything. The shelves in between are great for chucks, jaws, centers, etc. The best thing is it rolls to the most convenient location around the lathe. This is especially nice for positioning if you can turn on both sides of your headstock.

