

The CAW Newsletter

The CAW Newsletter is the official publication of the Capital Area Woodturners Chapter of the AAW, and is published for the information of its members. Membership in the CAW Chapter is open to anyone interested in the art and craft of woodturning.

Meeting Announcement:

Date: Saturday, Aug 3, 2002
Time: 9:30 AM — 3:30 PM
Place: Bryant Education Center
 2709 Popkins Lane
 Alexandria, Virginia

DIRECTIONS TO THE MEETING: From Virginia or Maryland, take I-495/I-95 towards the Wilson Bridge over the Potomac River. Take Exit 177A (Rt 1 South) on the Virginia side. Approximately 1.9 miles south of the Beltway, you will pass the Beacon Mall complex with Lowes Home Improvement Warehouse on your right. From the main entrance into Beacon Mall, go 4 more stop lights – about ½ mile. The 4th stop light will be Popkins Lane. Turn Left onto Popkins lane and go down 2 blocks. The Bryant Learning Center entry will be on your right. Drive to the East side of the building. Plenty of parking on the side or in the rear of the building. The entrances to the woodworking shop and meeting rooms are off the East side of the Bryant Center.

Program For The Day

9:30 AM Jean-Françoise Escoulen, France's foremost woodturner and a former Wood Turning Center (WTC) International Turning Exchange (ITE) resident, will provide a demo for us on his multi-axis turning techniques and tools. Jean-Françoise is an exceptional turner and probably best known in the US for his multi-axis chuck and turnings made with it. Many of our members purchased his chuck at his last demo here a couple of years ago. At the June CAW meetings, Andy Blackwell gave us a taste of what it's like to use this chuck.

Prior to his development of the chuck, Jean-Françoise developed a reputation as an expert spindle turner using the classic French tool, a bedan. Jean-Françoise will show us examples of spindle turning using this tool and also using his chuck.

To see more about him, visit his web site <http://www.escoulen.com>. The demo will start at 9:30 am at the Bryant Center and run as long as we would like. Remember, there is a \$5.00 fee to cover demonstration fees and expenses. Bring a lunch.

Mr. Escoulen says: "Sometimes the most unusual pieces reveal my traditional training!"



Meeting Announcement:

Date: Saturday, Aug 10, 2002
Time: 10:00 AM — 2:00 PM
Place: US Coast Guard Station
 7400 block-Telegraph Rd
 Alexandria, Virginia

From No. VA, go south on Interstate 95 from the I-495 beltway. Get off at Exit 166A, the Newington, Fairfax County Parkway (Route 7100) exit going east. Within 1 mile, turn left onto Route 611, Telegraph Road heading North. The Coast Guard Station will be on your right a few blocks past Hayfield Elementary and High Schools. On the ADC map book of Northern Virginia, the Coast Guard Station is on map page 29 at blocks 1E&F.

From Maryland, after crossing the Wilson Bridge on I-495, you can get off at Exit #2 onto Telegraph Road (Route 611) and follow it for about 8 miles. The Coast Guard Recreation Center will be on your left.

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On Saturday, August 10th, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, the CAW will sponsor the 3rd annual potluck **Summer Picnic and Turning Social** at the Anchorage Club, at the U.S. Coast Guard Station Recreation Center on Telegraph Road (Route 611) just north of Fort Belvoir in Virginia.

The Anchorage Club will have an indoor meeting room for us in case of bad weather, an outdoor deck area for eating and setting up our lathes. Please bring lawn chairs, your mini-lathes if you have them, any tools you like to use, and some wood for making shavings.

This will be a potluck lunch similar to our December Holiday party - the best eating of the year!!!

Please don't bring beverages. We are required to purchase our drinks from the Anchorage Club Bar - It helps support their facility. Besides, at \$.50 per soda, it is as cheap as if you had bought them in a grocery store.

Please bring a dish to share according to the following list: **No heating/cooking facilities available. DO NOT wear a hat inside the Admiralty Club - you will buy the bar a round of drinks - NO Kidding!!!**

Last name starts with brings: (Sample dishes)
Bring enough of your dish to feed about 8 people

- **A - C: Salad** (Tossed Green; 3-bean; Greek; Taco)
- **D - G: Dessert** (Whatever satisfies your sweet tooth)
- **H - L: Main Course** (Chicken, Ribs, Lasagna, Ham, etc. Don't let this get too expensive)
- **M - L: Side Dish** (Potatoes, Vegetables, Fruit)
- **S - Z: Chips and Snacks** (finger food to snack on while we turn and socialize)
- **Bring a disposable serving spoon for the dish, and put your name on your serving pans and platters.**

Please join us for food, fun, turning, and camaraderie!!

CAW's Mentorship Program

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As of Jul 2002

Bob Grudberg *** Don Chamlee
 Don Johnson ** Bill Hardy
 Bob Pezold ** Alan Becker*
 Richard Allen **** Tom Boley**
 Andrew Blackwell ** Pat Berry*
 John Overman Richard Preston
 CA Savoy xx Don Riggs xx
 Jim Marstall *

*** denotes number of people being mentored
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Many thanks to those who are giving back, by helping others. Any who are missing or are willing to help others, contact Paul Burke, at. 703-534-9076, Woodturner@Pburke.net Let's Grow Woodturners!

CAW Tape Library Feature Review

Title: Turning Pens and Other Small Projects
Author: PSI Woodworking Productions
Tape: CAW# 114, 115
Level: Beginning
Rating: 3 Stars
Running Time: 40 Minutes
Description: Demonstrates the operation and features of the mini lathe including making pens from start to finish.
Review: This tape is an instructional video that demonstrates operation of the Carba-Tec Mini Lathe. As such, it tends to be a bit on the salesman side of how great the Carba-Tec lathe is. It shows you all the great attachments you get with the Carba-Tec lathe and all the wonderful things you can do with it, blah, blah, blah, blah, blah. Once you get past the sales pitch, however, it really is a good tape that shows the basics on pen making. It demonstrates how to prepare wood blanks, turn, and assemble the basic 7 mm Slimline pen and the "Designer" pens that PSI and other companies make. After the pen demonstration, the host goes over small bowl turning and a few other basics. There aren't a lot of "tips from the Pros" in this video -- it is very basic. However, if you never turned a pen and would like to try one, this is a good starter to see the basics. This video, along with one of the pen-making books (Pens from the Wood Lathe by Dick Sing, or Turning Pens and Pencils by Kip Christensen and Rex Burningham), will have you turning beautiful writing instruments for friends, family, and craft sales.

Gerry Headley

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Special Demo on Ornamental Lathe

Peter Hemsley will demo WivaMac Lathes: on Wednesday 18 September, at the Bryant Center. Times TBD, hopefully (9:00 am - 3:00 pm). The demo will be Hands on Ornamental Lathe work. For info on the late see <http://www.wivamac.com>

Anyone interested in attending, contact Frank Stepanski at 1203 Washington Dr. in Stafford VA 22554-1902 or call Frank at (540) 720-4202.

Coming Attractions Planning Calendar

Aug 3rd Jean-Françoise Escoulen demo at Bryant
 Aug 10th CAW picnic at Coast Guard Station
 Sep 14th Normal meeting, w. Mark St. leger demo
 Sep 18th Special demo - WivaMac Ornamental Lathe
 Oct 12th Normal meeting, w/Bruce Hoover demo

How to win friends and supporters

I just wanted to drop a note to the officers of the CAW to thank them for how helpful the CAW has been.

I have two chairs that have been handed down from generation to generation. One chair had a broken spindle, about a foot and a half long. Another chair had two broken spindles, about 8 inches long. I have refinished and repaired furniture before, but did not have the ability or equipment to make copies of the broken spindles. Many furniture refinishers either were not interested in this small job, or wanted to charge an outrageous fee that I wasn't able to pay. I spoke to a gentleman over at "Woodcraft" who referred me to the CAW web page, and gave me a couple of names. I sent an email to CAW, and called a couple of people for help. I got a great response from several members at CAW (Tom Boley was one of them), the first reply was from Eliot Feldman.

Eliot volunteered to help me with this project, and did a fabulous job. I am very happy with the results. He asked for nothing, and wouldn't except anything when offered. I wanted to first thank Eliot for being so gracious as to help me, and for doing such fantastic work. I also wanted to thank the CAW for all of their help, and for their quick response to my problem.

The CAW is very lucky to have such a great group of members, who are so willing to help. I attached some pictures of Eliot's handy work (Sorry, for the bad picture quality, there are shadows that distort some shapes).

Thanks again, **Jeff Veatch**



CAW-- ONEWAY ORDER

C.A. Savoy will be placing a ONEWAY order on Monday 08/12/02.

Your order must be placed NLT Sunday 08/11/02

Check your catalog or call up ONEWAY website at www.oneway.ca. to see what's available. (NOTE: new web site address for ONEWAY)

Club members receive 10% off listed US funds price.

Email your order to C.A. at cadjsavoy@msn.com or call him at 703-765-7268

Items can be picked up at Bryant School on the 2nd Wed. or last Tues. monthly workshops or at the monthly meetings or by special arrangements. You pay when you receive your merchandise.

CA SAVOY:::HAPPY AND SAFE TURNING!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

SHOP SALE – Miles Lehmann's shop®

The following tools will be offered for sale at 12164 Darnley Road, Lakeridge VA

- Friday, Saturday, and Sunday (9,10,11) August.
- Tel 703-628-8002 (cellular) - Miles Lehman

- Jet 10" cabinet saw 3HP 220 W/INCRA fence, mobile base, INCRA 5000 miter table, INCRA router table extension
- Powermatic 16" drill press
- Delta sanding center, 12" disc, 6x48" belt, on mobile base
- Delta 14" bandsaw w/riser block, cool blocks, fence, 1hp Leeson motor, on mobile base
- Jet 6" jointer w/3 blade sets, on mobile base
- Dewalt 12" planer on mobile work stand
- Powermatic Mod 90 VS Lathe w/riser blocks, 16/21x39 capacity, 1hp 110/220 AC w/reverse, Oneway Stronghold chuck
- Penn State dust collector w/Cyclone and eight blast gates, 60 ft- PVC piping Remote control switch
- EMCO Compact 5 Metal lathe W/auto feed, 3 and 4 jaw chucks, Tooling and measurement tools
- W&F Machinery buffer/grinder 32" arm, floor mounted
- Slow speed grinder w/Wolverine attachments
- Router cabinet w/split fence
- Porter Cable plate joiner
- Lots of clamps!!!!*
- Bessey K body, Jorgensen, Band clamps, Quick Grips, etc
- Misc tools, routers, drills, etc

Web sites worth visiting from Randy Bjorklund

Interesting websites featuring turning: Not "how-to's", not necessarily the "famous", not necessarily "the best ever seen on the web", and not necessarily to everyone's liking, but a range of things you may not have come across yet in your surfing.

<http://houtdraaien.startinbelgie.com/> A Belgian site with links to over 200 turners' sites worldwide

<http://mgorrow.tripod.com/index-2.html> Links to over 400 "turning-related" sites

<http://www.artisticwoodturning.com/index.html> Tom Dunne's interesting approach to segmented work.

http://members.shaw.ca/wood_art_gallery/ Neil Stoutenburg, Michael Hosaluk, Trent Watts, and a few more.

<http://www.circlefactory.com/index.html> George Peterson – lathe sculpture

<http://members.aol.com/jkarmel381/myhomepage/> Jack Karmel – Interesting things from burls

<http://www.dcodding.com/> Dick Codding: very nice work!

<http://www.woodguild.com/qiese/index.html> Bill Geise – very interesting segmented work

<http://www.wildwoodgallery.co.nz/woodturning.htm> Robbie Graham, New Zealand

<http://www.brucebernson.com/> Bruce Bernson – Great woods!

<http://galencarpenter.com/> Galen Carpenter – impressive segmented work (Alan Becker took lessons from Galen)

Group Buy Program

by Cal Frantz

I started assembling an order from The Cutting Edge catalogue at the June meeting, and will continue taking orders until we reach the required minimum of \$500. This is an excellent source for tools and accessories designed especially for wood turners and carvers. They give us a 10% discount on all items in the catalogue, so now is a good time to get gouges, face plates, Jamieson hollowing systems, etc. I will have some catalogues at the September meeting so you can browse through and make your selections.

I thought it might be worthwhile describing the overall scope of the CAW group buy program, since the variety of opportunities we offer can be somewhat confusing, even to long time members. There are four basic elements in the program; 1) cash sales at our meetings, 2) club sponsored orders place with selected suppliers, 3) standing discounts with selected vendors, and 4) special buys. A four part series of articles will appear in the news letter to describe these activities, beginning with this edition.

CAW Group Buy Program. Part I of IV, Cash Sales.

Cash sales are the most obvious part of the program. Every meeting there is a kind of CAW bazaar set up where items are sold directly to members on a cash and carry basis. The best known of our local "vendors" is C. A. Savoy, who sells both commercial items and tools and accessories that he fabricates himself. The advantage of this program is that there is no waiting time for an order to come in. Any member who has an opportunity to offer items for direct sales is welcome to do so. Some mark up is usually included in the price to cover a members expense in offering things for sale; but the primary purpose of the program is to make things available to members at a better price than they can find in the commercial market place. Cash sales are a lively and important part of the CAW group buy program, and we encourage all members to take advantage of the deals they can get at the CAW bazaar.

A wood buyers report

Don & Priscilla Chamlee

I thought you might want to know that Dunlap Woodcrafts has some very nice quilted maple in 4" X 4", in lengths varying from shorts to eight feet. They have a pretty good load of it and do not mind if you pick it over, so long as you restack it. They are at 14600F Flint Lee Rd, Chantilly, VA, tel. 703-631-5147.

WOW, What a Symposium!

by Tom Boley and Phil Brown (Tom's first and Phil's fifth AAW Symposium)

I just really didn't understand what the AAW Annual Symposium was about. Oh, I figured it had to do with woodturning, since that is what the American Association of Woodturners does, but I just had no idea of how extensive and instructive it would prove to be. Let me tell you about it so you will better understand the program and be able to give serious consideration to attending next year, and the year after that, and the year after that, ...

The whole point of the Symposium is to offer woodturning education to the membership. The Symposium has three main parts: the woodturning presentations by skilled turners from around the world, the Instant Gallery, and the sales floor. The sales floor is where many manufacturers and retailers of woodturning equipment of all kinds present their wares for sale. Every lathe manufacturer I had ever heard of, and some I hadn't, was there with demo lathes and attachments. There were companies with woodturning tools and every other tool, which could remotely be used in turning. And there were several outfits with wood for sale. There were domestics as well as exotics, some of which we were able to bring back to the club for the members. It was a great opportunity to roam around and compare equipment and dream about what might be in the future. And it was for sale on the spot, so some of those dreams were satisfied right then.

The Instant Gallery is instant because it starts with the first person that arrives with some of his or her own turned creations for sale. Everyone who registers for the Symposium may bring work to display in the Gallery. As people arrive, the Gallery grew to several hundred pieces on display with some pretty substantial price tags. It was some amazing work! The Gallery is open to the public and by the end of the Symposium, many pieces, including three in the \$11,000 - \$13,000 range, were marked sold. Hmmm, maybe I just need to raise my prices.

But the best part of the whole Symposium was the series of presentations by woodturners, some well known and some not, but all skilled and knowledgeable. There were four sessions each day of about an hour and a half each, two in the morning and two in the afternoon. At each time slot, there were up to 15 presentations going on in different rooms. Some of the topics were turning wood hats, functional platters, turning trivets, square turning fundamentals, making wooden lamp shades, natural edge bowls, hollow vessels, hollowing bar options, and precision woodturning. There were many more, too, but this gives you an idea of the wide variety of presentations available.

And for spouses and other non-woodturning family members who went along, there were activities each day involving trips to towns in the area where we would all have been going had it not been for the Symposium.

Next year, the Symposium will be held in Pasadena, CA. That may keep a lot of the East Coast folks from attending, but I sure plan to go and I invite and encourage all of you to go, too. It was Total Woodturning Immersion, and it felt great!

At least 29 CAW members registered and we believe all attended this 16th Annual AAW National Symposium held in Providence, RI over the June 28-30 weekend. These known members included **Richard Allen, Alan Becker, Andy Blackwell, Bert & Kathy Bleckwenn, Phil Brown, Paul Burke, Mike Busse, Tom Boley, Bob Crawford, Manny Fernandez, Bob Grudberg, Bill Hardy, David Jacobowitz, Art Jenson, Don Johnson, Gene Kopf, Don Maloney, Bob Marshall, Paul Mazzi, Charles Miller, Gene Milstead, John Noffsinger, Doug Pearson, Bob Pezold, C.A. Savoy, Dean Swagert, John Trant, and Steve Wence.** Other woodturners from Montgomery County MD, who attended but are not CAW members, included Jerry Kaplan, Robert Kaufman, Marshall Jacobs and Cliff Poodry. Chesapeake Woodturners, primarily from the Annapolis area, were also well represented at the Symposium.

The CAW collaborative challenge entry, *CAW CAW CAW*, was entered in the AAW auction to benefit the educational fund. It came back home with **Bob Marshall** offering the winning bid, and can now be seen in a display window at the Bryant Center where we meet. The auction was very successful, raising nearly \$32,000.

About Our Members

by Phil Brown

In her efforts to become more business-like with her turning and sculptural activities, **Lynda Smith-Bugge** is taking a small business course with the Women's Business Center of Northern Virginia.

CA Savoy will teach a bowl turning class at Woodcraft in Springfield, VA on August 26, 2002, 6:00PM till 9:30PM. In September he will teach two classes about turning holiday ornaments, on the 16th and 30th, from 6:00PM till 9:30PM. Contact Woodcraft to sign up and for more details at 703-912-6727.

Over a month prior to attending the AAW Symposium, **Frank Stepanski** arranged with a wood vendor to select, from unsold wood following the Symposium closing, desirable pieces that CAW members might be interested in at a 30 percent discount without tax or shipping costs. **Charles Miller, Tom Boley, and Mike McInerney** helped Frank load and transport over \$7,000 in exotic wood from Providence, RI to the CAW July meeting. Nearly all the wood was sold to CAW members. Many thanks to Frank for arranging this nice deal.

Tell others about your activities in the CAW Newsletter by sending information, before the end of the month, to Phil Brown, 7807 Hamilton Spring Road, Bethesda, MD 20817-4547. Phone and fax: 301-767-9863. E-mail: philfbrown@greenbelt.com

Woodturning Exhibits

Chesapeake Woodturners will have a member exhibit at the beautiful and new City Gallery of the Maryland Federation of Art (MFA) at 330 N. Charles Street in Baltimore from August 21 to September 28, 2002. A reception will be held August 31st from 4-7PM at the gallery. The gallery will be open late for first Thursday on September 5th. You have time to become a member and apply to enter. An application is available at "<http://www.chesapeakewoodturners.com/application2.pdf>".

You are welcome to submit an application to exhibit your turned wood creations in the Arts & Crafts Open Competition of the Virginia State Fair. Your entry form must be submitted by September 6, 2002. Jim Marstall will have copies of the application form available at the CAW August 10th picnic, or can forward "pdf" files to you. You can also get the competition handbook on-line at the following URL: http://www.statefair.com/ac_instructions.asp

Local Woodturning Symposiums **

Turning Southern Style VIII, occurs September 13-15, 2002 at Unicoi State Park & Lodge, Helen, GA. Sponsored by the Georgia Association of Woodturners, it features Binh Pho, Linda Van Gehuchten, and Dick Sing. Registration is \$125, sent to Jim Hutchinson, 2197 Kodiak Drive N.E., Atlanta, GA 30345-4172. The Unicoi Lodge has blocked rooms for the event until Aug 13th, 1-800-573-9659. Also see <www.gawoodturner.org>.

2nd Florida Woodturning Symposium, occurs December 6-8, 2002 near Eustis, FL and is sponsored by five AAW Chapters in the area. Featured demonstrators are Bill Johnston, Pat Matranga, Johannes Michelsen, and Mark St. Leger. Local turners will also be demonstrating. Registration is \$85, plus special hands-on workshops and special demonstrations at \$25 each, with most meals at \$5, and weekend lodging beginning at \$95. Pre-registration is required with Ken Jackman, Symposium Chairman, 19990 SW 71st Place, Dunnellon, FL 34431-5175. For questions, call 352-465-4702 or <jmerktsai@worldnet.att.net>. A limited number of brochures and registration forms available from Phil Brown



Left John Kerr - a 10" WX 2" H Maple bowl and a 10" WX 3" H Walnut bowl

Right Dean Swagert - a 7" W X 2" H Masur Birch natural edge bowl, a 6" W X 2" H Ebony bowl and a 5" W X 6" H Thuya hollow form



Left John Overman - two Bradford Pear natural edge bowls of 12" W X 5" H and 7" W X 4" H and a Spalted maple bowl of 6" W X 1" H

Right: Jim Wano - a covey of lidded boxes made of Elm (left 2), Walnut (back 2), and Zebra Wood (front 2)



Left: Jim Marstall - An Oak crotch square-edge bowl; 13" L X 11" W X 3" H with a 9 1/2" bowl mouth.

Right: Gene Crosby - 10" H X 6" W Spalted Walnut split reverse hollow form and a 7" W X 5" H Walnut bowl with Pine branch inlay pieces and a 4" H X 1" W inside-out reverse turning tree



Left: Alan Becker - a 7" W X 4" H split reverse hollow form of segmented Zebra wood with Bloodwood separators and a Walnut base and a 7" W X 1" H natural edge Walnut bowl from the left-over piece from the base of the segmented form.

Right: Jerry Swartz - a 9" H X 8" W segmented vase made from Maple and Purpleheart with painted Indian dancing figures





Left Don Johnson - a Goncalo Alves shallow bowl from the wood collection of Rude Osolnik

Right: Aaron Grebeldinger - four bowls of varied sizes made from Oak and Cherry



Left: Bob Grudberg - a 9"W X 3 1/2"H natural edge bowl made from Plum and a 8"W X 6"H Plum bowl

Right: Unknown turner - a 12"W X 3 1/2" H Maple pedestal bowl with a Walnut base



Left: Don Riggs - two small bias bowls of Mahogany and Ash; and a 5"W X 4"H bowl and a 6"W X 5"H hollow form made of Alaska Pine burl

Right: Bill Hardy - a jewelry box boot made from Mahogany of 10"L X 3 1/2"D X 7"H



Above Left: Art Jenson - a 12"W X 2"H Spalted Beech bowl. Above Right: Lynda Smith-Bugge - Spheres turned as practice drills from Lynda's class at Arrowmont with Christian Burchard

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New CAW Members for July 2002

Welcome all! We are glad you have chosen to add your talents to our club. We look forward to the contributions you will make and the pieces you will bring in to Show-&-Tell. Your participation will add to our mutual love of woodturning and to our collective knowledge and skill.

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Dean	Caraway	Burke	VA

