

# 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, July 12, 2003

**Time:** 8:30 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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 Month

**8:30 AM** Help set up for the demonstration. Look over the For Sale items in the equipment room. Help get the coffee bar going or have a cup of coffee and a donut with your fellow turners. Discuss the items on the Show & Tell table. Rent a video. Talk over problems and techniques with someone who might already have been there and done that. Or just enjoy the normal hour of skill enhancement and practice time on the lathes.

**9:30 AM** A normal business meeting. Photos of member items will be taken for the August Newsletter. The tape library will be open. A silent auction table will be available for donated wood and items. A Show & Tell of pieces brought in will be conducted. Supplies & tools for sale will be shown.

**\$5.00 demo fee will be collected**

**10:30 AM** *A full day turning demonstration with Elvie Jackson, demonstrating natural edge hollow forms.*

**12:00 PM** *Lunch on your own, close silent auction, show & tell table with possible critique by Elvie Jackson for those that volunteer to be evaluated.*



## Elvie Jackson Bio and Artist's Statement

Elvie F. Jackson is a self-employed business owner and woodturner, residing in Raleigh, North Carolina, with his wife and their two children. He began turning wood in 1994 under the teaching of nationally respected North Carolina woodturner Bill Johnston. Elvie enjoys turning burl wood. He specializes in turning natural edge hollow vessels. He can turn hollow forms up to fifty inches in diameter and five feet tall. He turns basic bowls and natural edge bowls. He has developed a new style of woodturning that he calls the "connected series". This series is two distinct hollow forms turned from the same piece of wood maintaining a continuous connection of wood between the two hollow forms. Elvie has a custom made Nichols Bigway 50144 lathe that has the capacity to turn up to 50 inches in diameter and a 2436 Oneway lathe.

Elvie is a member of the Triangle Woodturners of North Carolina, Carolina Mountain Woodturners and the American Association of Woodturners. He became interested in woodturning when a fellow employee brought an oak burl bowl to work. Elvie continues to grow as a woodturner and seeks knowledge of the trade by continuing to attend regular club meetings and local and National Symposiums. He shares his knowledge with other turners by doing demonstrations and private lessons. He shares his abundant supply of raw turning wood with fellow woodturners.

Elvie was born in Pennsylvania and grew up in Ohio. He spent eight years in the U. S. Navy on Nuclear Submarine Duty after graduating from High School. He graduated in 1982 from The Citadel - The Military College of South Carolina as a veteran student with a bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering. Upon graduation, Elvie accepted a position with Carolina Power and Light Company. In 1985, he started his own business, Jackson's Tree Service. In 1995, he left CP&L to devote more time to his growing business and woodturning.

**Artist's Statement:** "It is an awesome feeling to reveal the natural beauty that nature has placed inside a piece of wood through my poiema. My work normally has no logical function except to be looked upon."

**CAW-S/E WORKSHOP-BRYANT SCHOOL**

WED. 07-09-03 9:00AM TILL 3:00PM

TUES. 07-29-03 9:00AM TILL 3:00PM

Any special requests, contact:: CA SAVOY [cadjsavoy@cox.net](mailto:cadjsavoy@cox.net)  
 Or:: Don Riggs [driggs11@cox.com](mailto:driggs11@cox.com)  
 Or:: Don Johnson [drjpapaw@aol.com](mailto:drjpapaw@aol.com)

PLEASE NOTE::: Effective with the June 24th workshop there will be a shop charge of \$5.00. If you use any tool, I.e., band saw, lathe, drill press etc. the charge will apply. If you come to visit and just watch, then no charge.

**YOU MUST ALSO BE A MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF WOODTURNERS IF YOU WANT TO USE ANY OF THE TOOLS.**

**A Special Note Regarding the S/E Workshops::: We are planning to hold S/E workshops on the last Sat. of each month from 9 AM till 3 PM . I am waiting to get the OK from our principle Larry Johnson. You all will be advised as soon as I get the OK.**

**CAW- ONEWAY ORDER**

CA will be placing a ONEWAY order on Monday 07-14-03. Your order must be to him NLT Sunday 07-13-03.

Check your catalog or call up ONEWAY website at [www.oneway.on.ca](http://www.oneway.on.ca) to see what's available.

Club members receive 10% off listed US funds price.

Email your order to C.A. at [cadjsavoy@cox.net](mailto:cadjsavoy@cox.net)

Items can be picked up at Bryant School on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

**A Commercial Notice**

received from another AAW club, included herein as a courtesy

I have an old 55 yr. old grove of English Walnut trees in Visalia, Calif. and we are cutting them down for replanting. We are in a hurry. There is great wood there. Some burls too. Many of the trunks are over 3 ft. in diameter. I am in the burl business. I will sell really cheap. Tell me what sizes you want. I have a video of the grove. About 800 trees are already cut down with burls out of the ground. My phone is 314 863 3758  
 Spread the word. Thanks, Bill Warren

**CAW 2003 Officer Roster**

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**CAW's Mentorship Program**

**HONOR ROLL**

As of June 2003

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|---------------------|-----------------|
| 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 *      | Bob Marshall *  |

\*\*\* denotes number of people being mentored  
 xxx denotes Tue & Wed skill enhancement

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](mailto:Woodturner@Pburke.net) Let's Grow Woodturners!

**Mark Your Calendar NOW!! For the 4<sup>rd</sup> Annual CAW Summer Picnic/Social**

On Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2003 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, the CAW will sponsor our 4<sup>th</sup> annual potluck **Summer Picnic and Turning Social** at the Anchorage Club, on the U.S. Coast Guard Station Recreation Center on Telegraph Road (Route 611) just north of Fort Belvoir in Virginia.

The Coast Guard Station area is in the 7400 block of Telegraph Road. 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 the 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 recreations Center will be on your left.

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!!!

***A Show and Tell Table will be set up***

***Please don't bring beverages. We are required to purchase our drinks from the Coast Guard Club Bar - It helps support their facility. Besides, at \$.60 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!!!***

***Cut out this page and paste it on your refridgerator***

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

- **A - C: Dessert** (Whatever satisfies your sweet tooth)
- **D - G: Main Course** (Chicken, Ribs, Lasagna, Ham, etc. Don't let this get too expensive)
- **H - L: Side Dish** (Potato salad, Vegetables, Fruit)
- **M - R: Chips and Snacks** (finger food to snack on while we turn and socialize)
- **S - Z: Salad** (Tossed Green; 3-bean; Greek; Taco)

***The CAW will provide all paper products***

***Bring a disposable serving spoon for your dish, and put your name on your serving pans and platters.***

***Please reserve August 9<sup>th</sup> on our calendar to join us for food, fun, turning, and camaraderie!!***

**A Special Deal from our June Auction Winner!!**

The lathe that I won at last month's meeting will not be allowed in my condominium per my wife. In order to preserve domestic tranquility, I have agreed to sell it and want to offer it to our members first.

The Delta midi lathe retails for \$320 and the 23" extension bed for \$50. I'll sell the package \$250 to one of our members. You can call me during business hours at 703-519-5908, evenings at 703-751-0109, email me: [pobrien@alexandria.lib.va.us](mailto:pobrien@alexandria.lib.va.us).

The buyer can pick it up at my condo or I will be happy to deliver it at the next meeting.

Thanks. Patrick O'Brien

**STUBBY- 750 LATHE FOR SALE**

**Purchased 11/99**

<b>Cost:: Lathe</b>	<b>\$4650.00</b>
<b>Shipping</b>	<b>\$269.00</b>
<b>Hydraulic operated moving dolly</b>	<b>\$650.00</b>
<b>TOTAL Original Cost</b>	<b>\$5569.00</b>

**Also included:**

**12" Tool Rest; 3" Face Plate; Live Center Spur Drive; Accessory drawer; Tool Rack**

***SELL ALL FOR \$3750.00***

Contact C.A. Savoy at 703-765-7268 or e-mail at [cadjsavoy@cox.net](mailto:cadjsavoy@cox.net)

**2 HP Delta Motor**

Motor for a 10 inch tilting arbor saw. Brand new, never been used. Cost \$285.00

**Asking \$150.00**

**Joe Malacavage: 703-564-2686**

**More Events/Dates to look forward to. Reserve the dates on your calendar NOW!:**

- Aug 9<sup>th</sup> - Club Picnic
- Sep 13<sup>th</sup> - Alan Lacer - Finishing
- Oct 11<sup>th</sup> - Jimmy Clewes - Turning fun..
- Nov 8<sup>th</sup> - CAW member demo
- Dec 13<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Party

## About Our Members

by Phil Brown

**Richard Allen** completed another class on June 9<sup>th</sup> at Wood Craft in Springfield, and his next class is July 27<sup>th</sup>. Richard posts pictures and names of students on his web site <http://www.gynia.com>, and hopes you will check them out and welcome them when they attend CAW meetings. Richard attended the AAW symposium in Pasadena, CA in June, and plans to post pictures from that experience on his web site also.

While **Tom Boley** was in Japan recently, he turned 28 pens in three styles, gave three away and sold 25! (Pretty good, I would say!) He also had the opportunity to rough turn and bring back four bowls from Japanese cherry trees.

An announcement with pictures about *Woodturning by Gary Johnson and Phil Brown* at Highlight Gallery is under "View Upcoming Shows" at: <http://www.thehighlightgallery.com/>.

A few months back **Bob Kinsel** had a gall bladder operation followed by complications which left him weak. He is getting stronger now.

**Bob Marshall** showed his wood turning and other work on a table for the *Gathering Of The Guilds* at Artisans United on Saturday, June 14, 2003. Before taking down his outdoor display near the end of the day, he was hit by a sudden thunder storm and found himself at home that evening drying out his pieces.

**Mike McInerney**, CAW Treasurer, maintains our membership roster and brings updated copies to some meetings for you to pick up. Many of you do not seem to make the meetings, but might like to have a copy. Mike can send you an email attachment of the roster. Contact him at [mikemc1421@aol.com](mailto:mikemc1421@aol.com).

**Doug Pearson** recently established a web site with some great pictures of his work at: <http://www.turningsbydoug.com/>.

Officers approved of CAW becoming a "guild member" of Artisans United in Annandale, VA. **Dave Reel**, backed up by **Bob Marshall**, will represent CAW at bimonthly board meetings. You will be hearing from them about occasional opportunities to exhibit and sell your work in the Artisans gallery, and to participate in other activities.

**CA Savoy's** next Bowl Class at the Woodcraft store in Springfield, Va. will be on July 28, 2003. Turn a bowl while learning wood selection, mounting techniques, finishing and the proper use of the side ground bowl gouge. Call the store at 703-912-6727 for details and to register.

Some of the CAW members who planned to attend the AAW symposium in Pasadena, CA include **Frank Stepkanski**, **C.A. Savoy**, **Bob Marshall**, **Chris Cuyler**, **Phil Brown**, and **Richard Allen**.

Tell others about your activities in the CAW Newsletter. Send your information by the third week of the month to Phil Brown, 7807 Hamilton Spring Road, Bethesda, MD 20817-4547. Phone and fax: 301-767-9863. E-mail: [philtbrown@greenbelt.com](mailto:philtbrown@greenbelt.com)

### Other Items

Branches and thin sapwood from the hollow shell trunk of a very old Magnolia tree on the grounds of the Woodward Mansion in Bowie, MD will become available this summer (July?) if the ground ever dries out so the tree service can get their trucks in there. The sapwood is a yellowish white, and the branches will have variations of grays and purple. Besides for your own use, the Mansion gift shop would like to have pieces from the wood to sell. Availability may be on very short notice. If interested, leave your name and email address with Phil Brown at address above.

Sponsored by the Wayne Art Center, **Craft Forms 2003** is a national juried exhibition dedicated to enhancing the public's awareness of fine contemporary American craft while providing a venue for established and emerging artists alike to share their creative endeavors. The exhibition is open to all professional artists working in clay, fiber, glass, metal, **wood** or mixed media crafts. All art work must be original and completed within the last two years. The entry fee is \$25 for two items. Awards include \$3,000 in prizes and Group or Solo Exhibitions in the gallery. The juror for Craft Forms 2003 is Paul J. Smith - Director Emeritus of the American Craft Museum. Your registration is due by October 3, 2003. For prospectus go to: <http://www.wayneart.org/> and click on Craft Forms, or e-mail [info@wayneart.org](mailto:info@wayneart.org) or call 610-688-3553 to request a printed copy.

## Special Notices

Dick Krehling, President of the Apple Valley Woodturners in Winchester, VA asked us to include this announcement of a commercial vendor starting operations in the Winchester area.

We are going to start selling probably in August. We are trying to get a feel for what people are going to want, species, sizes, etc. I gave a list to Robert to share with everyone. Maybe you can cut and paste this little blurb.

**McFarland's Mill, Inc.**  
**587 Round Hill Road**  
**Winchester, VA 22602**  
 540-667-2272

### **Domestic Woods Sel/Btr.**

Over 13 Species  
 4/4-16/4 (Some species not available in larger widths)

### **Quarter Sawn Red & White Oak**

### **Exotic Woods**

Over 16 Species  
 4/4-16/4 (Some species not available in larger widths)

## New American Woodturning Magazine:

*Woodturning Design* will be published by the All American Crafts publishing company of new Jersey starting in February, 2004. They are looking for authors to write project and informational articles, feature stories, product reviews, and all the other things a woodturning magazine might contain. (Ed. Tips, safety cautions, website links, etc.).

If you have an idea or are interested in submitting an article to the magazine please contact the publisher, Mr. Joseph Herrmann, by phone at 440-576-7697 or by e-mail at [latheturner@earthlink.net](mailto:latheturner@earthlink.net). Go to their sister magazine's website at [www.carvingmagazine.com](http://www.carvingmagazine.com) to see what the woodturning magazine website will be like when it is finished.

They are also looking for quality photographs of member's work to feature in a "Readers Showcase". Send your photos to the e-mail address above.

The magazine is intended to:

- Be reader written and driven
- Be focused on education at all experience levels
- Include projects for all skill levels/ages
- Promote safe/efficient turning practices
- Exposé new techniques & products
- Provide a forum for reader exchange
- Provide an opportunity to develop

Please visit CAW member Doug Pearson's new website at: [www.turningsbydoug.com](http://www.turningsbydoug.com).

## Woodcraft now supports a place for YOU to sell your handcrafted turnings.

**Woodcraft Supply Corp.** is offering a new service that's seeks to unite woodworkers with buyers looking for unique handmade wood items. You can now place your turned items for bid on **WoodcraftAuction.com** as well as buy or sell antique/collectable woodworking tools. Like e-bay, you can set a minimum price for your piece and then watch the bidding begin. You can also offer your service as a woodworker, or find someone to do custom woodworking in the classified section.

Visit [www.woodcraft.com](http://www.woodcraft.com)

Click on the Auction tab

Steps to getting started:

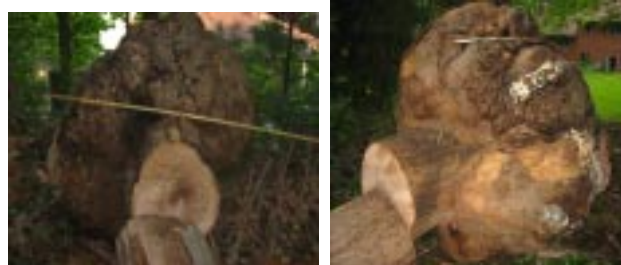
- Select an item to sell
- Take a photo of the item
- Choose a user name and register
- Pick a category
- Write a description of your work
- Set your price

It's easy, login and get registered.

## Oak Burl Available for Harvest/Purchase.

Phil Brown says: There is a very large oak burl on the ground, in Fairfax. It is about 4' in diameter around three-quarters or more of the tree trunk and 3' or more long. There is some bark off of it, and it has numerous burl surfaces growing against each other so the amount or size of turnable burl is not as great as might first appear. See pictures below.

The lady, Jody, who owns this tree is interested selling it.. If there are several others willing to chip in \$30 to \$50 each, I would be glad to share cost on that basis. In 28 years of chasing wood, I have never had an opportunity before to cut oak burl, but have turned a piece with lots of figure in it. (Jody seems to think that one large bowl can be turned from this burl. Little does she know.) If you are interested let me hear from you at [philtbrown@greenbelt.com](mailto:philtbrown@greenbelt.com).





Left: Bill Hardy - two natural-edged Cherry bowls, both approximately 10"W X 6"H, one finished and one unfinished Center: Tom Boley - "The nest of the rare Mesquite eagle" 20"W X 4"H . Right: Phil Brown - a 12"W X 10"H spalted and wormy Curly Maple funnel shaped vase



Left: Doug Pearson - a 6"W X 4"H Oak natural-edged hollow form and a 12"H X 6"W Spalted Maple Natural-edged hollow form. Center: Patrick O'Brien - 12"W X 1"H Walnut platter, another 15" W Maple platter and a 8"H Grapefruit vase with a carved footed-base. Right Don Johnson - 8"W X 1"H Tiger Maple dish band sawed and re-mounted aon a base, and nine marbleized tops with cavechon inserts on the spinning tin



Left: Frank Stephanski - a 22"H X 4"W stylized bird with copper tubing, Cedar, Maple, Lacewood, and porcupine quills Center: Unknown - an 8 foot high mobile made of dowel-wood with Oak willow-tops and an Oak base with a Maple central stand including butterflies. Right : Greg Downs - an Ash three-legged stool 14"H X 10"W



Left : Mike Parker - Mike's 2<sup>nd</sup> turned item - a 5"H X 3"W Mahogany box with a fitted lid. Center: Dean Swagert - A 10W X 5"H Yews hollow-form. Right: Elliot Feldman - a 6"W X 2"H Afzalin burl lidded box



Left: Don Hart - a VERY large piece for Don. A 20"W X 9"H spalted Maple salad bowl. Center: Phil Brown - 4 funnel-shaped vases made from spalted Maple (left-front and rear) and a Copper Beech at the right rear.. Right Frank Stepanski - a 14"W Red Oak platter



Left: Don Riggs - a Walnut vase with a Maple top ring, and three Maple hollow forms that have been ebonized and lyme waxed for contrast.. Center-below: John Trant - a 3"H Mahogany lidded box. Right-below: Joyce Beene - a natural-edged bowl of 6"W X 3"H Maple with wood burning surface treatments and carvings



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# CAW Newsletter — July 2003

## ***New CAW Members for May & June 2003***

*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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Jim	Neam	Fairfax	VA
Richard	Carpenter	Falls Church	VA
Ed	Miller	Fairfax	VA
Rick	Pado	Port Tobacco	MD

