

# The CAW Newsletter

The CAW Newsletter is the official publication of the Capital Area Woodturners, Inc. a 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.

## CAW Mini-Symposium Day!

### Meeting

### Announcement:

**Date:** Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 9:00 AM — 3:30 PM

**Place:** Bryant Adult Education Ctr  
2709 Popkins Lane  
Alexandria, Virginia

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#### **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. Drive past 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 2 blocks. 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 back corner of the east side of the Bryant Center.

items on the rotation schedule. Rent a video. Talk over problems and techniques with someone who might already have been there and done that.

9:00 AM

A **Mini-symposium Kickoff Session** – an explanation of what, how, and when we will be holding symposium events. A very abbreviated business meeting. Photos of member items will **NOT** be taken. A formal Show & Tell will **NOT** be held. The tape library will be open. A silent auction table will **NOT** be held. Supplies & tools for sale will be very limited.

Penn State tools and merchandise will not be available for general sale. If anyone wants to order in advance, they can send an email to Amy at [amy@landingcrafts.com](mailto:amy@landingcrafts.com) and she will have the order ready for pickup during the lunch break.

9:30 AM

**For the Rest of the Day, Three separate turning demonstrations will be going on simultaneously.**

*(See Mini-Symposium rotation schedule- page 2.)*

*Layout your personal strategy for attending the symposium.*

{For example, attend a demonstration from start to finish; or split your time between two presentations; or bounce back-and-forth between all three like you were channel surfing on the TV. **It's up to you !!**}

### ***No Charge for the Whole Day!!***

***Lunch (Sandwiches, drinks, & chips) will be provided by the CAW***

CAW is pleased to announce the "Third" annual CAW Spring Mini-Symposium. What is a Symposium you ask? Well, look at it as a series of short demonstrations, each session lasting 90 mins., Now, in 90 minutes, you will not learn all the aspects of any particular topic. However, we hope you will walk away with information that is of value to you and will help you improve your current skills.

Based on surveys conducted of member interests, we have created a rotation schedule that includes many of your most frequently requested subjects for demonstrations.

**Once you have determined an attendance strategy,**

***Tear off page 2 and bring it with you. Use it to confirm the times and places for your choices.***

**A master rotation schedule will be placed in the hallway for reference.**

### Program For the Month

**8:00 AM** Set up time for the demo tools, equipment, and materials.

**8:30 AM** Help set up for the symposium. Open up the coffee bar or have a cup of coffee and a donut with your fellow turners. Discuss the

# Capital Area Woodturners March 2005 Mini-Symposium Rotation Schedule

Time	Event	Presenter	Event	Presenter	Event	Presenter
09:30	Texturing & Coloring	Chris Light	Small Stuff	Drew Mitchum	George Tool & Indexing	George Salinas
11:00						
11:00						
12:00						
12:00	CAW Provided Lunch - Primos' sandwiches, chips, & soa					
12:00	Boxes	Don Johnson	Mini Hollow Forms	Tom Boley	Kaleidoscope	Charles Burton
1:30						
1:45	Hand Chasing Threads	Don Riggs	Natural Edge Bowls	C. A. Savoy	Baseballs	Bob Marshall
3:15						
Where	Class Room i.e. where we hold our meetings		Workshop, i.e. where all the Lathes are located		Back Room, i.e. where we do show and tell	

## The Call of the Lathe

Last month, I mentioned how I would like to encourage our new woodturners to make some round things to actually bring in to the meeting. I know that is a bit scary for some. I was a member for eight or nine months before I got up the nerve to bring in something. Of course, I didn't even start turning for six months after I joined. But once I got started and brought something in, I found out that I wasn't laughed out of the room so I started doing it more often. It turned out to be great fun and very satisfying.

So, by way of encouragement, we would like to have a table dedicated to those who have been turning for a year or less. If you have been a member for ten years but just started actually turning six months ago, you qualify. I had wanted to start that in March, but since that is our mini-symposium, let's wait until April. We will not have a Show and Tell table in March as it would interfere with the multiple classroom spaces which we need. I'll mention it again next month as a reminder, but for those of you who are just getting started, start working on something now for the April meeting. If you need a mentor, contact Annie Simpson at [asimpson@bestmail.us](mailto:asimpson@bestmail.us) or call her at 703-220-6780.

Since the Woodworking Show was early this year, the many new folks who usually come to the first meeting after that show will find themselves attending our mini-symposium. That may make it harder to keep track of who is new. Please keep a watchful eye on who the new folks are when I ask them to introduce themselves when we start the meeting this month and make a point of chatting with them sometime during the day. They are not going to know where the shop is for those sessions either, so keep a close eye out for anyone who needs a helping hand.

We have an awesome opportunity to help our community. I have been pushing woodturning education of youth as one of our main

objectives in CAW. I was recently contacted by someone from the Covenant House Washington Artisans Program. This program teaches disadvantaged men and women between the ages of 18 and 24 basic skills in woodworking to enable them to get jobs in that field. They have a well-equipped woodshop on Kenilworth Ave SE, Washington, DC, where they have a morning program and an afternoon program for six young people each. I think their program is about four months long each cycle. They have asked us to help give them an introduction to the lathe and perhaps lathe training downstream. I need your help to do this.

Our first step is to find out which of you with a mini-lathe would be willing to take your lathe to their shop one day this Spring to introduce them to woodturning. I would like to do a short demo, then give them a piece of wood to play with under our instruction, and end by having them make a wood pen for themselves. We will have three hours for each group to pull it off. If you have a mini and are interested in participating, please let me know. I will only need five but would appreciate anyone letting me know that you could participate. By the way, it will have to be a weekday, as they have no evening or weekend classes.

I am really excited about the Covenant House Artisans Program. This could be the start of a whole new mission for CAW. And we could be instrumental in helping these young people start to hear the Call of the Lathe.

Tom Boley

## Lathes For sale:

**Shopsmith - Model 510 Table Model** Asking: \$400

Retractable Casters  
Saw Blade Arbors  
Table Insert  
Disk Sander  
Drum Sander  
Rip Fence Upgrade  
Call Willie at 703 451-5670

## **Powermatic Model 90.**

**Asking \$900.00**

12" swing over bed,  
17" swing over 5 1/4" gap,  
38" between centers,  
215-2100 RPM, 1 HP, 3 phase  
208V,  
36" plexiglass safety shield,  
approximately 650lbs.

This is a 1970's era school shop lathe that saw little use. Can be picked up in Stafford County, VA.

Contact Steve Schwartz toll free 888 371-5641



## **Craftsman 12" (36" spindle length), model 228162 (1994 purchase)**

**Asking \$125.00**

Four spindle speeds  
875, 1350, 2250, 3450  
Two 3" and one 6" faceplates  
Mounted on Sear wood lathe  
stand model 22249  
54 X 20 deck and  
54 X 24 shelf  
Spur drive center  
Other accessories

Contact Jim Marstall at 703-644-6797  
or e-mail at [j-e-marstall@erols.com](mailto:j-e-marstall@erols.com)

**Membership Renewals Are  
Now Due!!**

**Renew your CAW membership for  
the year 2005 !!!**

**Last Call - April newsletter will not  
be sent to non-registered members**

\$20 for individual membership  
\$15/person for multiple persons in a  
family

**(See Page 6 for details)**

**CAW SKILL ENHANCEMENT  
WORKSHOP  
BRYANT SCHOOL**

WED. 3-09-05 9:00AM - 3:00PM  
TUES. 3-29-05 9:00AM - 3:00PM

Any special requests contact:

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PLEASE NOTE::: There is 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.**

**CAW- ONEWAY ORDER**

CA will be placing a ONEWAY order on Monday, Mar 14th. Orders must be to him NLT Sunday 3-13-05. Check your catalog or call up ONEWAY website at [www.oneway.on.ca](http://www.oneway.on.ca) to see what 's available and e-mail your order to C.A. at [cadjsavoy@cox.net](mailto:cadjsavoy@cox.net)

CA places orders throughout the month, so if you need a ONEWAY product, email him by the Sat. preceding the monthly meeting and he will have your order for you at the meeting.

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 FOR 2005!!!!!!!

**NOVA WOODWORKING SHOW**

Thanks to all of you who demonstrated or manned the booth at the show. I hope you all had as much fun as I did.

CA Savoy

Thanks and Happy and Safe Turning



As Always, there was a lot of activity around the CAW booth



Many beautiful items were on display



The member turners put on some great demos



And many people showed they wanted to know more

**CAW 2005 Officer Roster**

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<b>Each member</b>	<b>If your personal information changes: address, phone, or email, notify Patrick O'Brien .</b>

**SAWS FOR SALE**

10 in. Grizzly Table Saw w/ cabinet stand, 120/240V, 1.5 HP w/ Accessories **\$250 OBO.**

10 in. Craftsman Radial Arm Saw w/ legs, 120/240V, 1.75 HP w/ Accessories **\$250 OBO.**

Contact: John DiBella at  
**(703) 323- 0958**

**Future CAW Plans**

**2005**

- Apr 09 Bob Rosand - Small Item Production Turning
- May 14 Art Leisman - Surface design/decoration
- Jun 11 Irene Gafert - Coloring and Gold Leaf
- Jul 09 Dick Sing - Off-Center Turning
- Aug 13 CAW Annual Picnic
- Sep 10 TBA
- Oct 08 Marilyn Campbell - Epoxy
- Nov 12 TBA
- Dec Annual Woodturners Ball

## About Our Members

by Phil Brown

**Mike Vore** has pieces in the Gallery At Cedar Hollow, Malvern, PA for their *Works In Wood* craft sale running from February 20 to April 10. Mike will be taking the Jimmy Clews class at Md Hall sponsored by Chesapeake Woodturners, March 7 - 11.

**Bob Pezold** and **Don Johnson** are putting the finishing touches on their 28' x 28' shop dedicated to wood turning. They share use of the equipment, including two *ONEWAY* and four other lathes, table saw, band saw, sanding equipment, and dust collection. It includes storage over the shop.

**John Noffsinger** will conduct a *Pyrodecorating* 4-class series on Friday evenings beginning March 25 at Maryland Hall. See the Chesapeake Woodturners web site at [www.chesapeakewoodturners.com/calendar.htm](http://www.chesapeakewoodturners.com/calendar.htm) for required equipment you must bring and fee. **John** will also demonstrate pyrodecorating for Chesapeake Woodturners at their April 16<sup>th</sup> meeting at Maryland Hall in Annapolis. There is a \$10 fee.

**Mike Kinney** and **Alan Becker** were honored to have pieces juried into a national show during February at Gallery West at 301 Union St. in Alexandria, VA.

**Phil Brown** will demonstrate at the Apple Valley Woodturners meeting near Winchester, VA on April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

At WOODCRAFT in Springfield, VA, **Richard Allen** will again teach Introduction To The Lathe on Sundays of March 6<sup>th</sup> and April 10, 10am 5pm. He will also teach a Refresher Introduction To The Lathe course on Tuesday, April 19, 6pm 9:30pm. **Aaron Grebeldinger** will teach Bowl Turning on Thursday, March 10, 6pm 9:30pm. Introduction To Hollow Turning with **John Noffsinger** occurs on Mondays, March 7, 14 & 21,

6:30pm 9:30pm, and Mondays, May 16 & 23, 6:30pm 9:30pm. Advanced Woodturning with **Don Riggs** occurs Tuesdays, March 8, 15, 22 & 29, 6pm 9:30pm, and Tuesdays, May 10, 17, 24 & 31, 6pm 9:30pm. Call the WOODCRAFT store at 703-912-6727 for details on any of these classes and to register, or see [www.woodcraft.com/stores/store.asp?x?id=327&nav=classes](http://www.woodcraft.com/stores/store.asp?x?id=327&nav=classes)

### Other Items

1. As of 2-16-05 **American Association of Woodturners (AAW)** had 9,957 members. Membership in Virginia is 375, Maryland is 150, and DC is 8. AAW Chapters in the US and Canada expanded last year by 22 from the 215 active Chapters in 2003. New Chapters in our States include Central Virginia Woodturners in Waynesboro, VA; Smith Mountain Lake Woodturners in Franklin County VA; Cumberland Valley Woodturners in Maugansville, MD; and Mid-Maryland Woodturners at Emmitsburg, MD. All Chapters are listed in the annual AAW Resource Directory which AAW members will again receive this spring.

2. **Arrowmont** is offering eight one and two-week turning courses this summer by outstanding turner/designers. Courses are:

- Thin-Turned, Bent Sculpture & Hats, **Johannes Michelsen** (VT), June 5-11

- Turned, Sculpted & Manipulated Wood, **Trent Bosch**, June 12-18

- Enhanced Texture & Surface on Woodturning, **David Nittmann**, June 19-25

- Surface & Form, **Stoney Lamar** & **Mark Gardner**, June 26-July 9 (Two weeks)

- Investigating Form & Surface for Turned-Wood Objects,

**Betty Scarpino**, July 10-16  
 ■ Moving On: An Intensive Look At Turning & Surface Treatments, **Todd Hoyer** & **Hayley Smith**, July 17-30 (Two weeks)

- Woodturning: Carved Vessels, **Michael Lee**, July 31-August 6
- Sculpture On The Lathe, **Jack Slentz**, August 7-13

There are also wood working classes in sculpture, boxes, tables and a ladderback chair during the summer. For a catalog call 865-436-5860, or email: [info@arrowmont.org](mailto:info@arrowmont.org), or use their web site: [www.arrowmont.org](http://www.arrowmont.org). Arrowmont, located at Gatlinburg, TN, is a craft school providing very reasonable cost housing and meals on campus. The wood shop is about 10 years old with a first-class lathe room that CAW members helped finance. If not a turner, your wife might enjoy a class in another media at the same time as yours.

3. **Craft Supplies USA** implemented a new club support program intended to benefit every club member each month from the monthly club offer. This will be achieved by providing discounts on a broad range of products frequently used by woodturners. A Woodturning Club Members section is located on the home page of their website at [www.woodturnerscatalog.com](http://www.woodturnerscatalog.com). Simply click on this button to view the monthly club offer. In order to receive the indicated pricing, club members will need to enter their club name in the designated box during checkout. Club members are also invited to call 18005518876 to inquire about club specials and to take advantage of the special pricing by phone. They will also be providing 12 \$15.00 gift certificates to each woodturning club annually. These certificates may be used in whatever manner club officers choose.