

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, Oct 12, 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 Month

8:30 AM Help set up for the demonstration. Look over the For Sale items in the equipment room. Have a cup of coffee and a donut with your fellow turners. Discuss the items on the Show & Tell table or put in a bid on one of the silent auction donations. 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 October 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.

* A Full Day Demo *

10:30 AM An informative demonstration by Bruce Hoover. Come find out how to avoid spending hours sanding your items, using techniques and helpful jigs Bruce has pioneered. Also, it getting close to the holiday season, so its time to make some ornaments.

Bring your lunch or split a pizza with some other member. A \$5.00 demonstration fee will be collected for this whole-day activity.

Planning for John Jordan in
November!!

A little background on Bruce Hoover

Bruce has been involved with various kinds of woodworking most of his life, and his experiences include everything from manufacturing outdoor furniture and gazebos to decorative bird carving. He is now a professional woodturner and lives on Virginia's Eastern Shore.

Bruce, along with his wife Janet, exhibits in juried art shows throughout the year. Several awards received for their woodturnings include those for merit, excellence and a Best of Show. Specialties include hollow forms, teakettles, and ornaments.

Bruce's demonstrating experience includes the 2001 Carolina Mini Symposium; the national 2002 AAW Symposium at Providence, Rhode Island, and several club demonstrations. He is one who particularly enjoys sharing information with others.

His first demonstration for October's meeting is ***Innovative Sanding Techniques***. As self-proclaimed past president of the "I Hate To SAND Club", Bruce has developed many innovative methods, tools, and widgets to reduce sanding effort and has learned others from fellow turners. He now finds sanding more palatable and sometimes even fun. This demonstration covers everything from the basics of clean cuts all the way to final preparation for finish. You will be introduced to many new tools and creative methods for dealing with everyone's favorite task.

The next topic will be making ***Pierced Christmas Ornaments***. An article about his thin-walled pierced Christmas ornaments appeared in the Winter 2000 issue of *American Woodturner*. He will cover all aspects of the project including turning, layout, piercing with dental tools, finials, and display options.



CAW's Mentorship Program

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As of Sep 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!

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Proposed slate of CAW Officers for 2003

As a result of nominations, agreements to continue to serve, and eager volunteers; the following slate of officers will be presented to the membership in attendance at the October meeting. An opportunity for additional nominations/volunteers from the floor will be given, and then a voice/hand vote will be taken.

President: Bob Pezold
Vice-President: Tom Boley
Secretary: Bob Reynolds
Treasurer: Mike McInerney

In addition, the CAW Officers will be requesting a vote of affirmation for the inclusion of some primary appointed members to the CAW Executive Board. They are:

Show Director: C.A. Savoy
Program Chairman: Frank Stepanski
Newsletter Editor: Jim Marstall

And of course, our club could not function if it weren't for the dedicated work of our club support volunteers such as Gerry Headley, Cal Frantz, Bob Grudberg, Mary Youmann, and others. There have been some additional volunteers to donate their time and enthusiasm, so we hope to start some additional support functions in 2003.

Get Involved! Step forward!

Steve Bishop has a one man turning exhibition at the Imaging Acceptance Corporation "Blue Ridge Windows" event. Exhibit Oct 4th - Nov 29th, with artist's reception on Saturday 12 Oct 5:00 - 7:00 pm. See (www.blueridgewindows.com)



Thanks Mark St. Leger.

Mark's presentation at the September meeting was truly outstanding. He is a knowledgeable demonstrator - full of tips and hints about how to make turning easier and fun, a good listener, and a witty lecturer. There was a lot of good-natured give and take from the floor, but I think that Mark scored the most telling points.

Mark St Leger's tops that don't tip.

For the few having trouble with tops that don't tip, Mark offers the following hints:

"I promise once you get one or two you will have it down pat and they will flip over every time"

Possible problems:

- 1) **not enough taken out of the inside**
- 2) **stem should be 3/8" long and 1/4" diameter**
- 3) **diameter should be about 1" to 1 1/8"**
- 4) **height of bean crock sphere around 3/4"**

Mark

Club Notices**CAW-SKILL ENHANCEMENT WORKSHOP—BRYANT SCHOOL**

WED. 10-9-02 9:00AM TILL 3:00PM

TUES. 10-29-02 9:00AM TILL 3:00PM

Any special requests contact:: CA SAVOY: at cadjsavoy@msn.com Or:: Don Riggs driggs11@cox.rr.com

YOU MUST BE A MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF WOODTURNERS IF YOU WANT TO TURN.

CAW-- ONEWAY ORDER

C.A. will be placing a ONEWAY order on Monday 10/14/02
Your order must be to him NLT Sunday 10/13/02

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

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!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Holiday Ornament Classes

CA Savoy will be teaching holiday ornament making classes at Woodcraft in Springfield, Va. on Oct. 8 & 22 and Nov.5 & 19 , 2002. Attend his class and learn to make these very exquisite holiday ornaments. This will give you advance time to perfect your skills so you can make these ornaments and give them for holiday gifts. Contact Woodcraft for details.

Demo at Another VA Club

One more item from C.A.:

C.A. Savoy will be doing a turning demo. in the Harrisonburg Va. area on Oct. 5, 2002 for the Woodturners of the Virginias

Bragging Rights

There was a time in America when the continuing debates about who made the best pies, who had the fastest horse, and who could build the finest quality furniture could only be resolved with the award of a blue ribbon at the annual State Fair. Our Internet society may have diminished the importance of those competitions somewhat since we can all put whatever we want on an e-bay type competition and the top dollar-paid is the winning indication. However, there is still something special about the people who put the products of their hand-labor out there for everyone in the state to see and open themselves up for the direct competition and comparison with their friends and neighbors. They **earn** the right to call themselves the **Best in Virginia**.

On that basis, **Richard Preston**, CAW member, and founding member and past President of the Richmond VA Woodturners Anonymous club has earned the title of **Best Woodturner in Virginia!** And he is going to keep that title until the rest of us get out there and compete with him head-on in the Virginia State Fair Arts & Crafts competitions. Richard won eleven medals for his entries in the woodworking and woodturning sections. We hope that we can get some pictures for next month of Richard's items, but I can attest that his **Best of Section** Blue ribbon in the woodworking category was exceptional. His tall standing table featured three off-center turned legs, ebonized, that supported a slab of Bigleaf Maple Burl turned with surface features. Three strategically placed turned ebonized buttons then held up a piece of thick glass that formed the functional surface of the table. It is a beautiful piece. Richard's other ribbons were for:

1st Place - Turnings – Boxes & Containers

1st Place - Turnings – Hollow forms

1st Place - Turnings – Platters

Best of Section: - Turnings – Platters

1st Place - Turnings – incorporating surface treatments or decorations

1st Place - Turnings – Unclassified

1st Place - Turnings – Vases

1st Place - Woodwork – Tables

Best of Section: Woodwork – Tables

3rd place -Turnings – Bowls

3rd Place - Woodwork – Bowls

Well Done Richard. Congratulations

Jim Marstall

Our thoughts and prayers are with Jack Hahn

It is with a great deal of sadness that I announce that long-time CAW member Jack Hahn's wife passed away on Sunday, September 29th. She had been suffering from cancer for more than a year. The family has asked that offers of condolence be sent to cancer research. Please see me if you wish any additional information

Respectfully,
Bob Pezold

Exotic Wood Still Available

We have some Exotic wood remaining from our buy at the AAW Symposium. Ambyona burl, which I've cut into smaller pieces, and we have a couple chunks of Snakewood. Please see Frank Stepanski if your interested.

Frank Stepanski has some of the high speed (450,000 rpm) turbocarving tools. For those interested, please see Frank.

The "Ornamental Demo" was great. In addition to the Ornamental demo, Peter showed us some cool tools only available in the U.K. One of which works off the ring tool concept, only this tool is for face grain, i.e. bowls. This tool is great for clean undercut on grain where scraping only tears the grain.. The WivaMac Lathes are built well & the price, even with shipping is more than competitive (my opinion), it beats similar higher recognized makes.

Anyhoo, I'm planning on ordering one of the Ornamental outfits, plus a couple of the tools. Cost is a factor in shipping, with a single order from ToolPost we could save the most. Frank Stepanski is willing to place the order, if anyone is interested in ordering see Frank.

Club collaborative... AAW theme this year is "Put a lid on it". We are looking for ideas to create a club project along this theme. Anyone with a concept / idea / theme please bring this idea to the club meeting. Symposium is taking place in Pasadena CA, a theme that works the two together would be really great!!!

Thanks.... Happy Turning....Frank Stepanski

Choice Woods Tool Sale (Commercial Ad)

Clay Johnson of Choice Woods is now offering, for a limited time, 15% of ALL Robert Sorby Tools to your CAW Club members.

I can send you a catalog with retail pricing. This Offer is good through the month of October.

Call toll free 888/895-7779

Thanks. Clay Johnson CHOICE WOODS

Lathe for Sale (Member Ad)

FOR SALE: A great starter lathe with many accessories. **\$275.** Record model RPML 300C Compact Swivel Head Lathe. 12" between centers, 9" diameter over bed, adjustable speeds (540, 1140, 2440), 1/3 HP, 3/4" diameter X 16 TPI No. 1 Morse Taper spindle head, 90 lbs, Plus many attachments: Jet banjo upgrade, set of 5 Marples gouges/chisels, faceplates, etc.

Contact Bert Bleckwenn at 301-299-8056 evenings or bableck@us.ibm.com

Group Buy Program

by Cal Frantz

I started assembling an order from The Cutting Edge catalogue at the June meeting, but it has been pretty slow going. So far three members have placed orders totaling about \$130. We need a minimum order of \$500, so I will continue taking orders until we reach this level. Please consider placing an order with this supplier, as they are 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 October meeting so you can browse through and make your selections.

Member Exhibitions

Tom Boley -- will exhibit woodturnings in the Old Mill at the Waterford Fair, Waterford, VA, the 4th, 5th, and 6th of October. This is the annual fundraiser which the Waterford Foundation sponsors to raise money for preservation of this historic town, located just north of Rt 9, west of Leesburg, VA, and includes about 150 crafters.

Tom will also be exhibiting his woodturnings at the annual Fall Bazaar at Messiah United Methodist Church, Springfield, VA, on 19 Oct. This is the same place where CAW holds its annual **Christmas season dinner in December, this year to be on Sunday, 15 Dec.**

Still Looking for Contributions

We are still looking for contributions of turned items to show our appreciation to the person who has hosted our website on their Internet server for the past five years at a 50% discount. His unheralded assistance allows us to use more funds for other club functions – demonstrators, educational grants, social functions, and top-notch equipment. Help us show our gratitude. Please bring items to be given to the WebMaster to the October meeting or contact Mike McInerney at 703-378-8117.



Left: Bob Grudberg - three natural edged bowls of 10"W x 6"H (Maple); 6"W x 4"H (Maple); and 3"W x 2"H (Cherry)



Right: John Overman - 6"H spalted Holly pedestal bowl and several small pieces of Maple and Sycamore



Left: Don Johnson - 13"W x 6"H end grain natural edge Mesquite bowl and a 7"W x 2"H Colabah burl bowl



Right: Dean Swagert - 7"W natural edge biased Apple bowl and a 7"W pierced rim Madrone bowl



Left: Peter Walsh - 2 Apple bowls of 7" and 6" Wide and a 8"W Cherry Platter



Right David Jacobowitz - a 7"W x 6"H White Birch vessel with an ebony finish.



Left: Jim Marstall - a 13"W x 7"H Cherry salad bowl



Right: Bill Fowkes - 13"W Maple Burl bowl

My apologies if I have mis-matched peoples pictures and names. A borrowed camera, and bad note taking are responsible. I'll get the hang of this yet !



Left: Don Riggs - a 14"W bowl of Black Cherry and a 14"W platter of Ambrosia Maple with assorted spoons



Right: Dah Wey Lan - one large Birdseye Maple bowl and a smaller Boxwood bowl. These are the first two pieces this member has brought in. Please bring many



Left Steve Bishop - A spalted Curly Maple bowl, 10" w x 3 1/2" H



Right: John Trant - a 14"W Mahogany bowl with biased carved rim highlights



Left: John Trant - 5 pieces spalted Maple and died Ash



Right Richard Preston - a Dogwood doughnut-hole bowl; a Honey Locust vase with inked grain highlights; and a Oak on top of Boxwood double-lidded bowl



Left Bob Pezold - a Birdseye Maple pepper mill

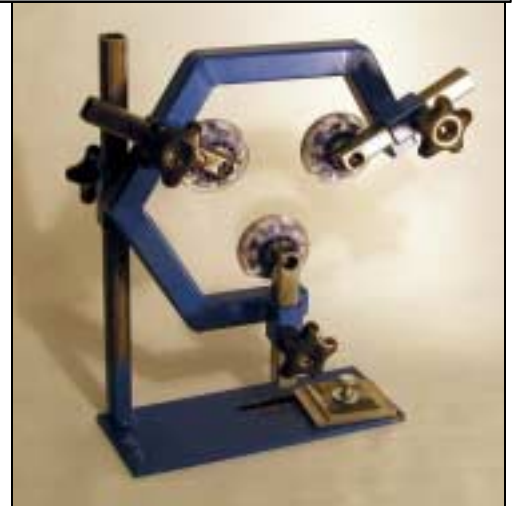
Right: Unknown. Lots of tops and a lidded box. They sure are colorful and make a pretty picture!





Left: Mike McNerney – a 10”L Oak gavel

Right: Andy Blackwell – his homemade adjustable steady rest



Left Frank Stepanski – 9”W x 7”H Birdseye Maple bowl

Right: Frank Stepanski – a 14”W Bigleaf Maple burl standing bowl with carved rim



Left: Scott Wallis – 8 ½” x 1 ½” Walnut segmented clock face with maple sticks

Right Stuart Glickman – two goblets



Photos by Jim Marstall

Woodturning Classes at WoodCraft in Springfield, VA

C. A. Savoy, Holiday Ornaments: October 8th, October 22nd, November 5th, and November 19th
6:00 PM to 9:30 PM, Intermediate skill level

Richard Allen, Introduction to the lathe: October 13th and November 10th, 10 AM to 5:00 PM
Beginner skill level

Bill Hardy, Bowl Turning: October 15th and November 13th, 6:00 PM to 9:30 PM
Intermediate skill level

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New CAW Members for September 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.

<u>First Name</u>	<u>Last Name</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>ST</u>
Grant	Clowery	McLean	VA
Chuck	Engstrom	Chestertown	MD
Warren	Lundblad	Springfield	VA
Debbie	Rubenstein	Potomac Falls	VA

