



Chapter & Verse

Better ways to keep members interested and involved dominated the discussion at the December meeting of the Central Virginia Woodturners.

All of the suggestions were referred to the Executive and Planning Committees to formulate future plans. [Those committees did meet Dec. 11 and will bring recommendations to the Tuesday, January 18 meeting.]

Among the ideas discussed in December were:

****Hands-on sessions at the eight-lathe shop at The Miller School near Batesville in Albemarle County. Peter Welch, shop teacher and The CVW's newsletter editor, offered the schools space for future meetings.

****Small turning sessions at individual members' shops. Several members, including

Miles Everard, Ray Jones, Scott Koehn, Ron Dearing and Bert Smith, volunteered their shops. Bert is club president and Scott is treasurer.

****Two demos at each monthly meeting, one to appeal to novices and one for more advanced turners.

The membership also approved a motion to spend up to \$200. in 2005 for the purchase of videos, CDs and material for the lending library. Also authorized was the expenditure of \$64. to purchase CDs containing all past issues of "American Woodturner," the American Association of Woodturners (AAW) magazine. Ray Tilghman, librarian, will coordinate the purchases.

chapter newsletter on compact disc. Also to put other materials of interest in a binder for review at meetings.

Other items of interest:

**** CVW chapter dues for 2005 are now owed. Cost to join or renew is \$20. per individual or \$35. for a couple or members of the same immediate family. Scott reported that the membership roll includes 49 members. Thirty-five persons attended the December meeting, including five guests.

****Tool sharpening was the demo topic. Bert led a hands-on demonstration at the grinding wheel. Members had the chance to try their hand at new techniques.

****A discussion of the benefits of AAW membership as updated membership flyers were distributed. Benefits include liability insurance coverage for chapter-

Presidents Corner

<http://www.woodturner.org/org/mbrship/>
Here is the link for anyone who wishes to can sign up for membership in the AAW. It is highly recommended that you join this great organization so you can participate in the seminars and hands on demo that are planned for the upcoming year.



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Special LINKS of interest

- www.woodturner.org
- www.woodsmithshop.com
- www.woodturner.org/products/resource_dir/resource_listing.cfm
- <http://www.woodturner.org/community/chapters/practices/>
- www.virginiawoodturners.org.

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sponsored events, the quarterly national magazine and reduced rates for purchasing merchandise and attending AAW events. Other benefits are the annual resource directory of AAW members, instructors and demonstrators and a list of AAW books and videos available for purchase.

Benefits also include individual and chapter "Educational Opportunity Grants." Note: Our president used an EOG grant to purchase two Jet lathes through the Artisans Center of Virginia for use in classes and demos.) See a membership flyer for more details on member benefits.

Bert distributed t-shirts to members who volunteered at the November, 2004 statewide symposium. The event was hosted by CVW and other Virginia chapters at the Artisans Center where we meet. Plans now call for the next symposium to be held in 2006, with an expectation that it will continue to be held every other year. Bert hopes to bring the event back to Waynesboro. Waynesboro motels and restaurants and city officials were pleased at the symposium's impact on business. Members were reminded of the upcoming April 16-17 Fly fishing Festival in Waynesboro. CVW sets up a tent to demonstrate for visitors, with an opportunity to sell turned items. A member has to be an AAW member to demonstrate. "Show and Tell," a time for members to bring in their turnings, drew a good response. This point in the meeting is an opportunity to share knowledge and ask questions about techniques. The silent auction of donated materials also drew a good response. A good opportunity to pick up something to enhance your next project.

"Demonstrations, Show and tell & Silent Auctions every meeting."

Editor's Notes

Send comments to sawdust434@yahoo.com

Upcoming Event April 16-17 Fly Fishing Festival



2005 Officers

- President—Bert Smith
- Vice President—Brian Mundy
- Secretary—Bob Garnett
- Treasurer—Scott Koehn
- Newsletter—Peter Welch
- Library—Ray Tilghman

Shirts and caps are in and will be available at the meetings. Shirts will be reduced to \$15 and the caps will be \$11. The club will be able to make a few dollars on each item, so buy some extra's. (2XL and 3XL add \$1.50)

Anybody remember this stuff?

Library

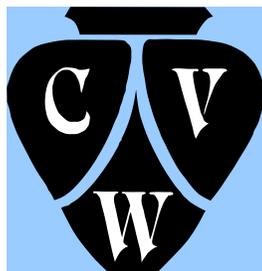
If you have anything that you feel would be appropriate for our library and would like to lend or donate it, please contact Ray Tilghman at



This month's Challenge, Getting the Newsletter out!

Items for Sale

Hey, if you have stuff to sell or trade, this is the place. I'll have several sets of circle patterns (2" thru 12") \$10. Use these to attach to a half log and cut on a Bandsaw.



The Central Virginia Woodturners was formed to promote the art of woodturning to the general populace and create an environment conducive to the sharing of ideas and talent to those interested in the pursuit of fine woodworking.