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# May Newsletter

Central Virginia Woodturners
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#### Special points of interest:

- In Memory of Frank Sudol
- Dennis Hippen turns eggs for the May demo
- Lots of great show and tell

# **Chapter and Verse**

This edition of the newsletter will suffer a little because it is being compiled from second hand information. We were on a cruise with two of our three children (Craig and Ronda) and Craig's family. It was in celebration of our 50th anniversary and Maureen's ? th birthday (I will never tell and you will never guess to look at her). Denny Martin and Dennis Hippen were good

enough to not only take pictures and notes, but when we got home, a CD was in our mailbox with Denny's pictures waiting for us.

Attendance was low for the May meeting, about 25 were in attendance, considerably below our norm. I guess that it is the start of travel season, plus all of the school events, etc. Reports are that Dennis Hippen did a sterling demonstration on how to turn egg shapes; I'm sure all gained from his example.

June 23 seems to be the preferred date for our summer picnic, starting at 4 P.M. The club will furnish B-B-Q chicken and pork, rolls, chips, soft drinks, plates, utensils, and paper goods. Families are welcome and

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## **President's Corner**

In Memory—I think it is a good idea for us to try to know something of significant turners, especially one's who have had an influence on our hobby/avocation/ vocation or whatever it may mean to each individual. My first influence by a noted turner was when I saw an article in Fine Working about Ed Moulthroup, way back in the 70's. It was the now familiar shot of two of his grandkids in one of his giant turnings. Ed is since deceases, and now his son and one of the grandsons (probably one of the kids in the giant bowl) now continue his passion for giant turnings.

In December, Frank Sudol passed away suddenly at the age of 73 at his home in Paddockwood, SK, Canada. He earned degrees in Biology and Education at the University of British Columbia and went on to become a naturalist for the Alberta National Parks system. After moving on to woodworking, Frank began turning in the 80's. After studying with Giles Gilson in NY in 1993 he began to focus on thinwalled pierced vessels, and the rest is history. One look at Frank's work (picture right) makes it easy to see the influence he has had on such artistturners as Binh Pho and all those who try to carry on the genre he so influenced.



Frank Sudol, October 11, 1933 to December 15, 2006.



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# **Turner's Tips**

This month's Turner's Tip went out under separate cover, describing the Ambrosia Beetle and how it attacks various wood species to add the beautiful markings we know as Ambrosia.

## This month's demonstration



Dennis Hippen at the lathe demonstrating turning egg shapes.

## **Show and Tell**





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## **Chapter and Verse (continued)**

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each member is asked to bring a pot luck dish, desert, etc. You will be getting emails soon trying to solidify this date and drum up everyone's enthusiasm.

**Treasurer's report:** The Silent Auction took in \$9.28, and we had a new member's dues for a deposit of \$29.28. Our club balance is \$1365.34 after paying for a new CD recorder.

## **President's Corner (continued)**

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Club picnic and guest demonstrator—I will be working with the planning committee over the next couple of weeks to firm up the details for our summer picnic. Last years picnic was held at the Crimora Center and had a great turnout. The club will furnish bar-b-qued pork and chicken, soft drinks and ice, paper plates and utensils. Members are encouraged to bring their families and a favorite covered dish, desert, salad, or other appropriate summer fare.

Bert Smith is also working on arrangements for a half-day, or longer demonstration by Bob Rosand, to be held on a Saturday, at the Crimora Center within the next couple of months. We will try to expand the attendance with invitations to at least the WOV club, and possibly to other adjacent VA club members. The date is waiting on a response from Bob.

**Woodturning clubs in England** —I receive the magazine *Woodturning*, printed in England. It is interesting to observe the differences, and similarities, between their practices, clubs, woods they use for turning, etc. In the latest issue there was an editorial commenting on the raising cost of travel and how this was having an impact on bringing demonstrators from out of a local club's domain. Included was the average club's yearly dues, \$44—\$50 per year which includes the cost of club demonstrations. A day long demonstration with an outside turner costs between \$6 and \$14. All of the above was calculated at the rate of \$2 to 1 Lb S per a currency rate I found on the web. I pass this along as a sanity check against our dues and any plans we may have for a day long demonstration.

Similar information from San Diego club —In *More Woodturning*, another woodturning magazine, I found similar information regarding their charges for an all day demonstration. The San Diego Woodturners are holding an all day mini-symposium with two well known demonstrators (Stuart Batty and Mike Jackofsky) and ten from their own club. They start at 8:00 and run to 4:00, with an entrance fee of \$30. This includes lunch and is \$25 for those who preregister. The entrance fee includes a box lunch.

These bits of information are included as check points for any similar event we may plan. Since Bob Rosand certainly qualifies at a similar level as Stuart Batty, we might consider turning his demonstration into a larger event similar to the above San Diego offering.

## **Getting To Know Our Fellow CVW Members**

This is an ongoing column, dedicated to bringing you biographies of our CVW members.

Each month we try to bring you 2-3 new member's biographies to help us all become more familiar with our fellow club members.

Bio's on the way this month:

Ray Jones

If I can get pictures, I have biographies for:

- Ernie Floyd
- Roger Jarrell
- Paul Saplak

and should get them out this month.

For any of the above, see me at the next meeting (or Denny Martin or Dennis Hippen if you see them with their cameras) and we will take a picture and complete your bio. Any new members that have not had their pictures taken, please see any of the three of us and have a quick snap taken.



Ray Jones' bio should be on the way this month.

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# Coming Shows, Symposiums, Events, etc.

Yankee Woodturning Symposium will be held June 1 thru 3 at the Wesleyan Univer- 144 rotations. See woodsity in Middletown, CT. The symposium is sponsored by the Yankee Woodturners Association. A few of the sponsored demonstrators include: VA's own Mark St. Leger; Jean-Francois Escoulen; Jimmy Clews: Bob Rosand: Mark Sfirri; Michael Hosaluk; Johannes Michelsen; Angelo lafrate; Beth Ireland.

Contact information: Frank White, Yankee Woodturners Association email whitehollowoods@verizon.net

**Utah Woodturning sympo**sium—To be held at Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, June 21-23. Joan has flyers, or go to utahwoodturning.com for information. This is the longest standing wood symposium in the world (25th, I think).

21st Annual AAW 2007 National SymposiumPortland, OR, June 29-July 1. 42 world class demonstrators. turner.org for information.

**SOFA (Sculptured Objects** and Functional Art) - Although not technically a woodturning symposium, but does focus on the 3D arts, with woodturning and furniture design a large focus. AAW will have a large booth and participate heavily. It is held annually in Chicago. More information on date and location in next months newsletter.

Turn and Learn—2007 NC Woodturning Symposium -October 5, 6, and 7, 2007, to be held at the Greensboro Coliseum, Greensboro, NC. Information at www. northcarolinawoodturning. com. Featured demonstrators include: Trent Bosch: Nick Cook; Chris Ramsey; Dick Sing; Jacques Versery; plus several other local NC turners.

**Turning Southern Style** xiii-2007 Symposium - Unicol State Park Helen, Georgia, September 14-16, 2007. Presented by the Georgia Association of Woodturners. Featured turners: Stuart Mortimer: Michael Mocho: Michael Hosaluk: John Jordan; Frank Bowers; Nick Cook; and, Dave Barriger. For registration and information go to www.helenga.org, or call 706-878-2201 or 1-800-573-9659.

## CVW Schedule of Demo's and Calendar of Other Club Events

June—Free turning and assisted turning at the Miller School

Club Picnic—Date seems to be set for June22nd. The CVW will furnish BBQ pork and chicken, soft drinks, utensils and paper goods. Members are encourage to bring the family and a covered dish, desert, or whatever favorite you have for a picnic. Last year the Crimora gym worked well to offer some shade, tables and chairs, etc. Watch next months newsletter for further on the date.

July—Ron Dearing—Turning spheres (he will also include a short demo on making a snowman Christmas piece)

August—Starke Smith—Wood selection, how to cut blanks, and other pointers

If you have a demo that you would like to put on for the club, sign up now. We need to get our calendar filled. Contact: Ron Dearing (rdearing@rica.net).

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## **Want Ads**

For Sale: Powermatic 4224, 2 years old, excellent condition, \$3500.

Contact Starke Smith

For Sale: Spindle lathe, made from kit, 16" swing x 36" spindle capacity, 1 HP, 8 speeds—jack shaft with two pulleys and four speed pulley on motor, heavy duty, body is made from two layers of MDF (2" thick), 1" - 8 tpi spindle w/ left hand thread on outboard. 24" out-

board swing. Heavy duty welded tool rest. \$400 (flexible).

Contact Ron Dearing (540) 248-8887 (answering machine).

For Sale: Cast Iron Delta Lathe with two (one unused) motors, several pulleys, several tool rests, mobile stand, etc. Used less than one year. \$550;

Contact Hilel Salomon 540

456 8623, or 803 787 5973.

# New Guests and New, or Potential Club Members

#### **Guests for May**

- Gary Reed
- Walt Gable
- Dick Vickksalve (sp?)
- Richard Miksad

#### New member

Harry Kellam

This brings us to 56 paid members.

Note: Guests are invited to attend without a fee. After a meeting, or two, if you enjoy the club, our dues are \$20 per year

If you have joined CVW within the last 2-3 months and have not been introduced in the club newsletter, please send me an email so I can include your name in the new members column.

Send attention: rdearing@rica.net.

Also Note: We need personal bios from many members for the "Getting to Know

Our Fellow CVW Club Members". Please take a few minutes to respond to the bio questionnaire email that will be sent again this month. This is much easier than doing personal interviews with each person. If you don't have email, talk to Ron Dearing about a questionnaire.

Members and guests for whom we still need biography information include:

- Michael Atkins
- Howard Baker
- George Bentley
- Tom Boxler
- Joe Cochran
- Alvin Dale
- Paul Dana
- Bill DePari
- bili berai
- Dan Drew
- Brian EdsonTom Evans
- Gene Fleming

- Andrew Flusche
- Dave Fuqua
- Rolf Gebel
- Jay GillamD. Glendenning
- Peter Gorsuch
- Dylan Hahn
- Mel Hinkley
- Roger Jarrell
- Harry Kellam
- Ed Lang
- John Laport
- Patti Laport
- Gerry Martin
- Judy McCarthy
- Brian McReynolds
- Dave Mitchell
- Joe Novack
- Lewis Pennington
- Ivan Pesic
- Gary Peterson
- Franklin Plecker
- Norman Proffitt
- David Rhodes
- Mark Sandol (Sondrol ?)

- Paul Saplak
- Jeff Scott
- Ron Shifflett
- Michael Solatka
- Harvey Spouse
- Pat Steele
- Bill Stevens
- Tim Surratt
- Ed Tobias
- Roger Van Hooser
- Doug Van Lear
- Ken Wilson
- Troy Young