

DECEMBER 2009

Presidents Corner

The success of our November meeting owed a great deal to Roger Flory, who on just a few days notice was willing to volunteer to fill in for the demo. He did a fine job at showing how to go about turning a closed shape with a tiny opening, and we enjoyed his easy informal banter, and his joke on Elbert Dale at the end. "Keep on pulling, it'll come to you." Many thanks, Roger.

On a second lathe for the club, as it stands the ACV own two Jet Minilathes which we have on extended loan. The third one we have used actually belongs to Bert. Whenever we have multi-station meetings we need all of them. There are many times more than one demonstrator would like to use the 16" swing lathe. So there is some need, though not a

hugely pressing need, for us to have a second larger lathe to our name. We took a quick vote during the meeting and approved buying one, but that will probably happen in 2010 under the new administration. An email poll on who would donate to buying Dennis Hippen's old 14" Jet raised over \$300 in pledges. We missed the Hippen Special, but perhaps we can call on all for another pledge in the future when a good deal turns up.

Our December meeting will not have a demonstrator. Rather, we'll have a general social, there will be plenty of food, and we'll have an extended show and tell. The idea is for everyone to bring their first (or nearly first) bowl, as well as a more recent one, to share the progress and changes we have gone through. There will also be an extended silent auction. Bring extra stock, and bring your cash or checkbook, and let's have a big log swap.

This is my last President's Corner, so I will add just a bit on a more general note. The club has grown in a very satisfying way the past two years. We have a number of younger members now to help spice up the meetings, as well as people getting into turning in later years. Although a lot is due to the series of fine demonstrations we've had, even more is due to the general good nature and excellent teamwork of everyone. We come from all walks of life and all manner of professions, and I just love the variety

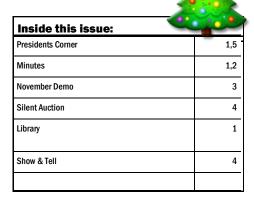
I enjoyed much about my tenure as president, and I found it plenty challenging. It has been quite a broadening experience for sure, as I am so used to working alone, not as a part of an organization. I was frustrated at times trying to juggle running the meeting with setting up

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November 17, 2009 Minutes

Crimora Community Center Central Virginia Woodturners Club (CVW)



Officers in attendance were:

President: Fred Williamson

Roving Vice President: Starke Smith

Treasurer: Dennis Hippen

Newsletter Editor: Peter Welch

Video Chief: John O'Neil

Librarian: Joan Baumgardner

Secretary: Joan Baumgardner

General members: 46 members

Guests: 7

The following officer was not in attendance:

Programs Vice President: Bert Smith

The General Meeting:

Fred Williamson called the meeting to order. The following items were discussed:

New members and visitors were welcomed.

In an effort to be earth friendly, members who are interested in a CVW name tag should contact Pat Steele, who will make the name tag for \$5,

Fred reminded all in attendance of the monthly meeting cancellation guidelines. The guidelines include:

There will be no meeting if

local schools are cancelled.

Check the website for cancellation notice.

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

jybaumga@hughes.net

Minutes, cont.





If in doubt, call any of the CVW officers.

William Whitaker sent a note including his membership dues. Bill recently turned 97 years old, is no longer driving or turning wood however; he is still involved in wood and the creative aspects. He currently is spending time at the kitchen table with his wood burner.

Fred mentioned that he received a letter from the Shenandoah Valley Artisan Center (SVAC). The SVAC inquired whether the club is interested in future participating in their gallery shows. The general consensus was that members were interested. Dennis Hippen will notify SVAC of the clubs interest in future participation.

Fred received an email from Mike Jerima from North Carolina Appalachian Blank and Slab Company. He sells slabs through eBay. Since necessary details were missing, the club will follow up.

The club received 6 Craft Supplies Inc. certificates. Craft Supplies offers discounts to members. The promotional code is "clubmem".

Fred discussed the need for new equipment: balancer wheels for the Wolverine System and a one-inch adaptor for the Jet mini lathe. The decision was slated for the newly appointed officers.

The CVW has the use of 3 Jet mini lathes. Two are owned by the Virginia Artisan Center and are on permanent loan to the club. The third is owned by Bert Smith. Peter Welch and Miles Everard, each have one on loan. Consideration needs to be given to developing a formal policy on loaning club equipment.

Box cutters and surplus supplies donated from Don Voas were available to members at no charge.

Official elections were held. The newly elected officers will assume their responsibilities beginning in December 2009. No further nominations were made, nominations were closed, no member opposed, and a unanimous vote was obtained on the following positions:

President: Peter Welch

Vice President: Nate Hawkes

Treasurer: Tom Evans

Librarian: Mars Champaign (Rolf Gebel - backup)

Secretary: Jim Oates

Video Crew: George Marrah, Jimmy Guynn, and Pat Steele

Newsletter Editor: Dennis Martin

Web site: Fred Williamson (Jay Ragsdale - backup)

Programs Vice President: Stark Smith (Don Voas)

*Richard Miksad volunteered to take over the Food Czar position. This is not an official position.

*Mark VanArsdale has volunteered to bring water and coffee to business meetings.

Fred recommended that a backup person be available for all positions and anyone interested in serving in this capacity should contact one of the officers.

Peter Welch requested that all members participate, volunteer and become actively involved in the club for it to be successful, as this is a volunteer organization.

Mars Champaign and Dennis Hippen attended the North Carolina Woodturning Symposium last month. They provided a slide show reflecting some of the work at the symposium. Mars supplemented the slide show with information.

Show and Tell:

Starke Smith initiated this session. There was a large selection of turned pieces and helpful hints. Mars Champaign and Ron Chapman were the recipients of a gift certificate from Craft Supplies.

Treasurer's Report:

Current club balance is \$1506.

Silent Auction:

Dennis Hippen managed the wood auction. The auction rendered \$112.

Library:

The following items were added to the library:

Book

Woodturning Two Books in One by Phil Irons 1999

Other:

Field Guide Bowl Blank Preparations - copies and notes no author/date

North Carolina Woodturning Symposium Demonstrators' Handbook 2009

Magazine:

Woodcraft Magazine Vol. 5 No 30 Aug/Sept 2009

Woodturning Design Winter 2010 Issue #24

DVD

Kirk McCauley Hats 8/18/09

Barbara Dill Multi-Axis Turning Woodturners symposium 2008

Fred Williamson natural Edge Bowl Tidewater Turners 8/25/09

Fred Williamson Coring and Depth Gauge 9/15/09

Demonstration:

The club demonstration was provided by Roger Flory. Roger demonstrated how to hollow globes with a small opening.

The next club meeting will be Tuesday December 17, 2009 from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm. This meeting will be social hour with show and tell. Ideally each member will bring a piece of his/her early and last turnings. Spouses and significant others are welcome.



Please join me in saying to Fred, "a job well done". Fred was tireless in his work as President and mentor and the club has made great strides under his leadership. I for one wish him and Mary the best and continued success in his business endeavors





November Demonstration

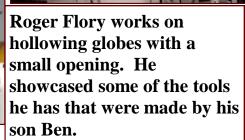








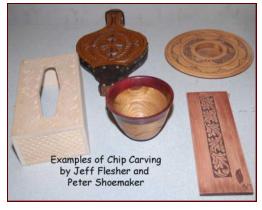




Other Happenings

Harry K. explains some information on Chip Carving

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







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Show & Tell





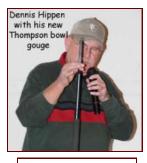












Great to see all the new work. I encourage everyone to help these new folks see the beauty in creating NEW WORK.

White Oak bowls by Fred Williamson

























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the video with fielding questions with just wanting to visit with friends. I apologize to all whom I shorted time and attention to in the process.

The most satisfying part was the strong sense of teamwork that came from so many. I am particularly grateful for all the help from the other officers. If there is one thing that is clear, it's that we are a volunteer club and that we are all into it for the fun. This club is the sum of what each of us brings to it ... no more, no less. Each meeting is totally enhanced by all who pitch in, from those who come

early to help set up, to those who volunteer to handle certain tasks or bring in free water and coffee, to those have new turning projects to share, to all who pitch in at the end of every meeting to help clean up.

We finally have a good video setup which

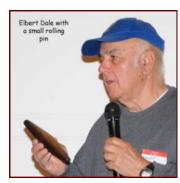
allows people to really see the demonstration, and we have a good recording system to catch it all on DVD for more use in the future. I am happy there is a video crew to continue the service. I plan on improving the website over time, especially getting a members-only section where you can look up other members by photo along with contact info, and hopefully have Ron's bios attached to them. Our library has grown a lot under Joan and Mar's supervision, and is a fine resource center for us all. Perhaps the only thing lacking in our club is a welcome committee to help new members ease into the mix. Maybe next year.

So after a very full two years as

president, I pass on the torch to Peter, and I look forward to continuing to see you all in the years to come in the position of a regular member.

Yours, Fred

Some of the People that make it all happen!







Items for Sale

Hey, if you have stuff to sell or trade, this is the place.











