



## CVW Newsletter - April 2010

### President's Corner

**Safety.** What do we think about safety? That it won't happen to us. That I am good enough that I don't need that safety guard! That accidents happen to people who are not careful enough, or people that push their luck, or to the guy that is "accident prone".

We have all seen and heard of stories about friends and club members that have met with an accident that they had no clue would happen to them. As I write this, I have had an accident of my own that makes it particularly painful just to type. So I believe it is with prophetic timing that I remind us all about the mere moments we are away from an accident.

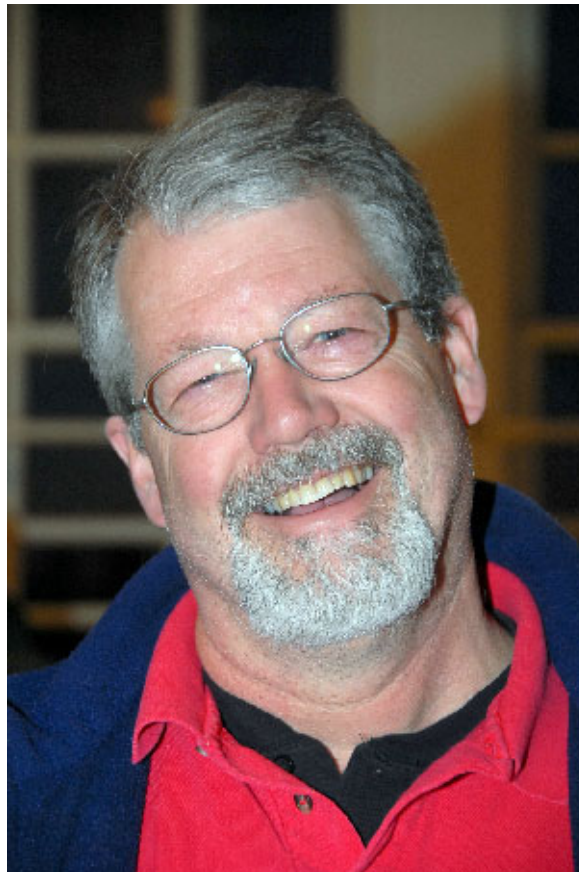
Safety . What do we really think about safety, .....that it is for the other guy, .....for those who don't have the experience that we do, or, that we have thought about everything,....nothing can go wrong here. I remind you of the 11<sup>th</sup> commandment; thou shall not fool thyself.

I can only speak for myself here, and I have had my share of accidents. I have a vast collection of awards that are in the DSY (ask me at the meeting) category. It is with a humble

attitude that I remind all of you that "Wood turning can be dangerous", ..... "that household chores can be dangerous", ..... "that driving can be dangerous", .....and we still say, "I know that, you don't have to tell me".

I spoke of comfort zones in a previous PC, and to me, Safety is doing those things that will take more time, or cost more money than we think we need.

That is not an excuse not to do them, it just puts us out of our comfort zone because, 1. We don't have enough time, or 2. We don't have the money. I personally have lost more time and money from an accident than it would have cost me to implement the safe procedure, or taken the time to make something safer. Can we catch it all?....no! I have noticed that if I tune in to that little voice that says, "this might hurt", or "this doesn't feel right", or perhaps...."maybe I should re-think this before I do it", I can avoid that stunned moment when you know you have screwed up.



Cherry Challenge pieces

due at the May meeting, Please bring pieced to George for the art show, and come prepared to learn at the multi-station demo on the 18<sup>th</sup>.

Safe turning, and God Bless, Peter



**April 20, 2010 Minutes**

Crimora Community Center  
Central Virginia Woodturners Club (CVW)

**Officers in attendance were:**

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.

**Attendance:**

Members: 43

Guests: 2

**The General Meeting:**

-New members and visitors were welcomed and introduced.

-Peter introduced the Cherry Challenge - anything you can make from a half round of cherry for the May meeting. Half rounds were available for all.

-As a reminder the Symposium is in October. You may register on line to assist in obtaining vendor participation at [virginiasymposium.org](http://virginiasymposium.org)

-Please respond to meeting notice email so that we know the mailing list is effective. If you don't have email please advise Tom Evans or one of the other officers so that you can be contacted by phone.

-Tom needs to update the list of members for vendors so, if you do not wish to participate please advise Tom Evans.

-Membership dues are due. Please see Tom Evans.

-**May 25 (Tuesday) — David Ellsworth** all-day demo at Mt. Jackson. The cost TBA (to be announced) once numbers are figured

-Condolences to Don Voas whose nephew was killed in Afghanistan in a helicopter crash. He was flying a V22 Osprey.

-Please remember to bring your donation for the Waynesboro show. Only one more month left. Several donations have been made and George Marrah can be contacted for additional information.

**Show and Tell - Next Page:** (This is one of the four components of the CVW meetings including the business meeting, silent auction and demonstration. Show and tell provides a venue to display member's turned creations and discuss the materials, finish, impressions and problems with the item. Time also allows for questions and discussion. This inspires new techniques for veteran turners and challenges the less experienced. Combined with the clubs mentorship program, young turners and veterans can find themselves refining their skills and improving their craft - Editor)



**Show and Tell: Nate Hawker**

Jim Oates made a Large bowl scraper made from A2 air hardening steel and walnut handle.



handle.

Peter Welsh - Presented a bowl made from yellow poplar from the



Charley Conner - Poplar and



butternut bowls.



A bullet in a Cherry tree was shown by Peter Welch - It was collected during harvesting of cherry

challenge wood on the farm of Denny Martin



Bob Swope - American beech stool - end turned



Dennis Hippen - Laying tool for needlepoint & ring holders from heart pine and holly and ambrosia maple.



Nate Hawkes brought a black cherry bowl & spalted red oak and natural edge bowl.



John O'Neal - Spalted walnut bowl (sorry John, I didn't get a picture - Ed.)



Melton Estes showed a cherry box with lid





Bill Whittaker showed a walnut platter with feet as part of the



base, a ring box with stems for hanging jewelry. and a bowl made of box elder

Ray Kidd - Two natural edge pieces elm, maple and walnut and cemetery maple lidded bowl.



Tom Evans showed a natural edge bowl with knot and cross grained causing twisting. Finished edge with furniture marker.



Stark Smith brought a silver maple bowl thin and finished with Danish oil



Mars Champion - natural edge boxelder bowl



Elbert Dale - Black bear claws jewelry box with black walnut and spaulted maple and three tops one spins on your finger and a tippy top. Also a piece of Vietnamese Jungle wood made into a swagger stick.





Tim Quillen - Emporia pecan piece



Mike Meadows Wood burned plate picture of parents home.



Members contributed wood generously. Please note that the wood auction produced \$81- that is more than the average of \$61 per meeting. We had 45 attendees including Jay and including 2 guests. The silent auction was conducted by Tom Evans.



Dick Miksad brought two nice cherry (?) bowls.



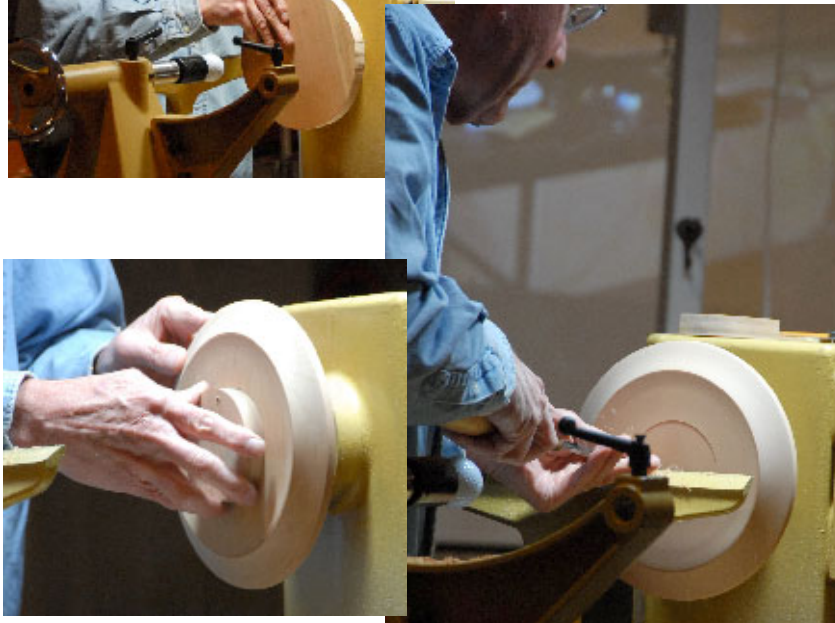
Drawing for gift certificate was won by Tom Evans.....again.

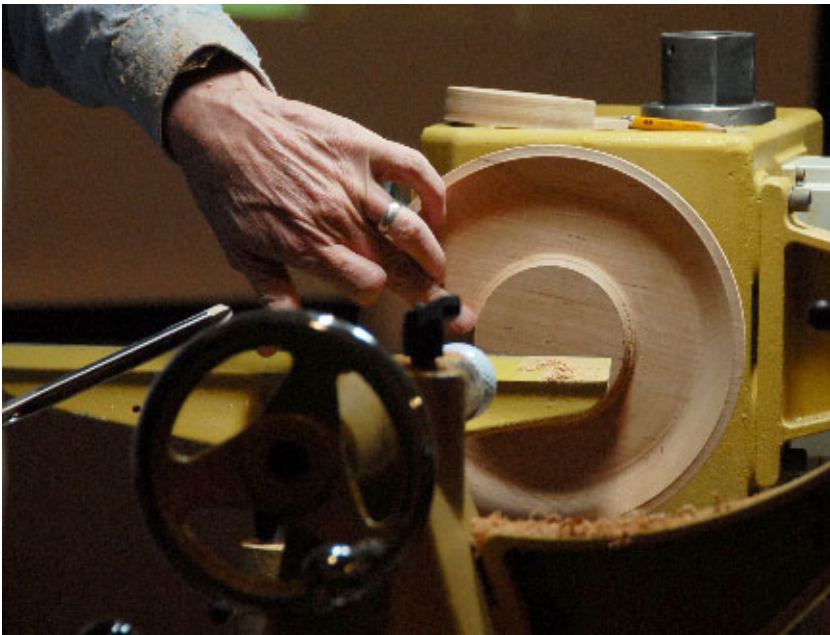




## Demonstration: Turning a Platter by Jay Lindhjem

Jay Lindhjem took a class at Woodcraft in Richmond on making platter using wood scraps (leftover wood) from other projects. He uses a 3.5 inch faceplate with turning tape to attach the blank. Turning tape is thicker than carpet tape and much more adhesive. Jay used a golf ball on his live center to prevent indentation. The bottom of the platter faces the tailstock. He made a flat recess for the chuck on the bottom of the platter approximately 1/16 inch deep to accept the tape and center it.





Jay's demo will inspire many other members to make platters.



Mars Champaign sent the editor several pictures and the following note: "Bobbie and I went to the member's preview of the addition to the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts in Richmond yesterday and noticed the gift shop was displaying some beautiful bowls by Fred Williamson"







Peter Welch informs me that he will provide chainsaw chain sharpening. For those of us that seem to be incapable of doing a good job of sharpening please contact Peter at the address below:

**Chainsaws - Chains sharpened, \$8.00 off the saw, \$10 on the saw.  
Drop off at my home or bring to a meeting.**

**Legacy Signs & Graphics**  
Peter Welch  
6343 Hillsboro Lane  
Crozet, VA 22932  
Mobile 434 327-7824

## CVW Demonstration Schedule (to be revised)

April 20—Jay Lindhjem will make Platters

May 18—Multi Stations with Dennis Hippen turning balls, Fred Williamson visualizing possibilities in logs & someone on sharpening

May 25 (Tuesday) David Ellsworth all day demo at Mt. Jackson cost TBA once numbers are figured

June 5 Fundraising booth for CVW at the Arts of the Blue Ridge Festival, Waynesboro Arts Center. Everyone donate a piece for the show. Contact George Marrah for details. 540-434-0703

June 15 Jeff Fleisher

July 20—Elbert Dale

August 17—Multi Station

September 18 —Dick Hines Three Footed Bowls, and pyrography

October 23-24—The Virginia Symposium. & Expoland, Fishersville with Alan Lacer, Tom Boling; \$50 before Aug 31, \$60 at the door, or \$35/day

November 16—Turning hollow forms with extra small openings, Roger Flory (replacing Baskets with Brian McReynolds)

December 21—Holiday party and big show and tell.



CENTRAL VIRGINIA WOODTURNERS CLUB  
MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT  
AS OF: 3/15/2010

\$ 959      OPENING BALANCE: as of 2/16/10

\$ 991      REVENUE/DEPOSITS:  
          \$ 300 Dues, silent auction, lathe donations 2/16/10.  
          \$ 530 Demonstration fees.  
          \$ 40 Dues and lathe donations.  
          \$ 65 Silent auction.  
          \$ 26 Raffles.  
          \$ 30 Redeposit change fund for meeting, demo.

\$ 1,032      EXPENDITURES:  
          \$ 43.32 Fred Williamson - Band saw and lathe parts.  
          \$ 68.77 Tom Evans - Keys cut and office supplies.  
          \$ 30.00- Change fund for 3/13/10 meeting/demo.  
          \$ 8.37- John O'Neil- Laminating materials.  
          \$446.84- Dick Miksad- Demo food and supplies.  
          \$ 435.00 John Noffsinger- Demonstrator 3/13/10.

\$ 918      CLOSING BALANCE

CENTRAL VIRGINIA WOODTURNERS CLUB  
MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT  
AS OF: 4/21/2010

\$ 918      OPENING BALANCE: as of 3/15/10

\$ 141      REVENUE/DEPOSITS:  
          \$ 20 Dues.  
          \$ 20 Lathe donation.  
          \$ 81 Silent auction (April meeting).  
          \$ 20 Redeposit cash withdrawn to activate check card.

\$310      EXPENDITURES:  
          \$ 19.97 Renew Woodturning Design magazine subscription.  
          \$ 75.00 Crimora Ruritans 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter rent.  
          \$ 23.35 Tom Evans, food officers meeting.  
          \$ 20.00 Cash withdrawn to activate check card.  
          \$ 61.34 Fred Williamson, switch wheels etc for band saw.  
          \$ 9.51 Dennis Hippon, band saw blade.  
          \$ 100.80 Host Excellence, web site name (2 yr fee).

\$ 749      CLOSING BALANCE