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February 2021 Newsletter

Next Meeting / Demonstration

Square to Round Bowls & Vases

Rudy Lopez

Zoom Meeting on Tuesday February 16, 2021 6:00-9:00.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81673090887?pwd=WkVjSkNueTUvNnJlTnZMVG5CWmlLUT09>

The Zoom meeting will also be hosted in the Skill Center for those who wish to attend in person or do not want to run Zoom at home.

A \$10 donation is requested to defray the demonstrator expenses.

Next Skill Center Session

The Skill Center and the Club Store will be open on February 13, 2021 from 9:00 – 12:00. Due to Covid-19, we are offering individualized mentoring only. Please contact [Jim Oates](#) ([Woodturning Skills Center Coordinator](#)) to arrange.

President's Corner February 2021 – Bill Hemminger

When it is time to write the President's Corner article, I put it off till the last minute because there is always something happening in my life or woodturning world that I don't want to miss including. Well, that paid off for this issue for me. It may seem like a simple thing but a few days ago I received my "American Woodturner" magazine. The February 2021 issue. Unlike when I was a young boy, and when I received a certain magazine, I would only read the articles, I really look forward to the pictures and technics the writers bring to life. (In the last sentence I am referring to the American Woodturner) The unique ideas, creativity and willingness to share is so apparent it almost jumps off the page at you. I know this sounds like an endorsement to sign up

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for AAW, it is more of a confirmation that the value, education and relativeness to furthering our skills is well documented for everyone to appreciate.

In an ad for Robust lathes (No, I do not have a Robust lathe) on page 70 has a brief “lathe story” The paragraph says “Ask any woodturner about their lathe and you’ll hear a story: who they got it from, when and where they picked it up, and perhaps the reason they chose it. We doubt you’ll hear the same affectionate response about a belt sander”.

“Why is that? We think that, much like you play musical instrument, you “play” a lathe. You use all your senses to turn and you alone control the path of the tool. In contrast, you only operate a table saw. A lathe is a tool you create a lasting relationship with”.

My wife refers to my lathe as my mistress. I spend alone time with it, I care for it, it provides something she can’t and most of all I don’t have to answer to it for my mistakes. Although, my lathe can be unforgiving and quite the disciplinarian if I don’t pay strict attention to it / her. We all need to have a way a let our creative juices flow. When things outside my control start to go awry, I need to get my thoughts and responses together so I spend time creating and playing my lathe. The musical instrument comparison is so appropriate because we do the woodturners dance to it, right?

If you have pictures of your latest creation, a picture of you and your lathe or just a story to tell about your lathe, please share with the club through sending it / them to Norm so he can put them in another fine publication this month.

This is your club. Be part of the success.

Bill Hemminger, President
Email: president@centralvawoodturners.org
Call or Text 540-649-6990

2021 Demonstration & Meeting Program

The Program Committee is in the process of scheduling the 2021 program. If you have ideas for demonstrators, want to demonstrate yourself or have a suggestion for a topic, please contact [Mike Sorge](#) (Program Vice President).

Zoom

Still wondering how to use Zoom? You are not alone. These days Zoom is the only way we can meet these days, so please join us. If you want some one-on-one guidance, please contact Mike Gilmore mdg.gilmore@gmail.com who has volunteered to coordinate acclimation. Or contact one of the execs. Instruction on how to use [Zoom](#) are [here](#).

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Newsletter

Please send Norm D'Allura [Newsletter Editor](#) any items you wish to see in the next issue. **If you know someone who does not have email or internet capability, please let Norm know so we can send the Newsletter by mail.** This service is being offered on a very limited basis to only those who do not have email or internet.

President's Challenge



Beads of Courage, Inc. is a non-profit organization that is dedicated to improving the quality of life for children and teens coping with serious illness, their families, and the clinicians who care for them through our Arts-in-Medicine Programs. We believe in creating a context for caring transactions to transpire through our community and encouragement programs.

We are continuing to collect contributions to the Beads of Courage. Please drop off you turning at the next Skill Center session. You can find guidelines on this [Beads of Courage page](#). We have some logo beads for inserting in your bowl or lid at the Skill Center.

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Cheese Shop



The CVW member-donated items at The Cheese Shop in Stuarts Draft are selling like hot cakes! Recently the shop gave us permission to put a new display and it has made a world of difference in sales. In the last year sales have brought in approximately \$1600 to the club. A large percentage of these sales have been since the new display went up.

We encourage all members to donate bowls, platters, boxes, etc. for the Cheese Shop. During the holidays we would like to see some holiday items donated (Christmas trees, ornaments, etc.) The management at the shop has asked that we not donate small items that can easily be shoplifted. Please do not take items directly to The Cheese Shop since all pricing, etc. is done by the club. Please contact [Larry Parker \(Vice President - Member services\)](#), take items to Skills Center when open, or contact any of the executive committee if you have items to donate.

We want to take this opportunity to THANK everyone who has donated items. If you go by The Cheese Shop, please thank Todd Anderson the manager for helping the CVW.

We look forward to YOUR donation! You can leave any donation in a tote labeled Cheese Shop in the Skill Center.

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Show-and-Tell

Below are selected turnings that members want to share with all of us. Please send your submissions for the next Newsletter to [Norm D'Allura \(Newsletter Editor\)](#)

Dennis Hippen



Monticello Sycamore

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Florida Lacewood



Florida Lacewood with Bark Inclusion



Montpelier Black Gum



Montpelier Blue Atlas Cedar

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Roger Chandler



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Norm D'Allura



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Jim Oates – Beads of Courage Bowl



Kirk McCauley



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Buck



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Starke Smith



Figured Poplar, mineraled poplar and Two small dishes of poplar crotch



Tiger Maple dish and two fumed White Oak bottle stoppers

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Mike Sorge



*"Sorgente Blossom" - Black Walnut & Glass Sphere, 18" high x 10" diameter
(Sorgente definition = origin, fountainhead, wellspring, source of inspiration...)*

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Donnie Maupin



Cherry Heart Bowl



Ambrosia maple bowl

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Peter Welch - Big one is cedar for valentine's day, the small one is maple.



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The Central Virginia Woodturners (CVW), located in Shenandoah Valley in Crimora, VA, is an affiliate of the [American Association of Woodturners](#), serving turners from Charlottesville to Staunton to Harrisonburg. Please visit our [web site](#) and consider joining our interactive, informative and very friendly club.

Note: All email contacts are being directed to the [Contact Us](#) page on the web site to try and reduce spamming.