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A Motley Crew



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President's Corner

June 16, 2015

June regular meeting had another multi-station demo night. Five of our members operated separate lathes all at the same time and provided excellent "hands on" turning skills. Chips were flying everywhere and several members were lined up for a turn or 2 at each station. Phil Evans asked for volunteers last meeting and we quickly had 5 members ready to go. Thanks go to Fred Williamson, Peter Welch, Tom Evans, Richard Landreth, and Jim Oates for handling the "hands on" and good time had by all.



Set up and take down for a multi station meeting involves much time/effort and thanks to several members the tasks were handled very quickly as they shoveled up the piles of chips. Thanks for all the assists.

Speaking of prep for a demo session, CVW hosted 15 attendees from the Staunton Senior Center at CCC on AM on June 18th. Big thanks go to the crew that set up the meeting room and skills center for the demos. Members Bob Welch, Tom Evans, Jimmy Guynn, and Jim Oates handled the set up arrangements and Mars Champaign, Richard Landreth, and Elbert Dale provided the demos for the group. Thanks guys. I just received a very nice thank you note from the seniors that they all signed. All seemed to have a good time.

Our new member, Stephen Takash, donated a larger used AC unit for our skills room. Thank you Steven and welcome. This unit will be a big help. Tom Evans and Jim Oates also retrieved a large heater from another room at CCC to be installed in the skills room. Great and thanks guys. They also conquered some huge weeds out front.

Check out the 2015 NC Woodturning Symposium on November 6-8, 2015 in Greensboro. Go to www.northcarolinawoodturning.com info and note the many demonstrations. This show is another bargain to take advantage of (AND we are attendees and not the work crew too). We already have 5 of us going/registered for all the action. Tom Evans has room for one more in his van and Jim Oates is looking for a roommate to share a room. We are again staying at the Holiday Inn Express Greensboro (I-40 Wendover).

Safe turning, Dennis

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June 16, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Crimora Community Center Central Virginia Woodturners Club (CVW)

Attendance: 31

New Members: 2

Guests: 3

The following officers were not in attendance: Jim Guynn

The General Meeting:

Dennis Hippen called the meeting to order at 7 PM. He reminded everyone that this coming Thursday the club will host a visit and demonstration of woodturning for 15 members of the Staunton Senior Center. Demonstrators will be Mars Champaign, Richard Landreth and Elbert Dale.

He also reminded attendees that if they intend to show turned items at the Shenandoah Art Show in Waynesboro in September that the items need to be brought to the August meeting.

Richard Landreth introduced new members Alex Pettigrew and Stephen Takach. Guests tonight are Jean and Hilton Champaign (brother of Mars) and Bobbie Champaign (wife of Mars).

Jim Oates reported that Bob Welch has offered an air conditioning unit for use in the Skills Room. It does need a new motor and he has asked the membership if

anyone might have one to donate. If you have one, contact him for details. He also donated four packs of ebony pen blanks for sale in the Wood Store.

Show and Tell:

Tom Evans: three footed bowls in English Walnut, Maple and Red Maple.

Dennis Hippen: a winged bowl of Monticello Mulberry, a Mulberry plate and an end grain Weeping Cherry bowl with blue lapis infill.

Mars Champaign: a Mesquite bowl finished by wet sanding with Walnut Oil. The rings around the bowl were made from a tool he made using instructions in a recent AAW magazine.

Phil Evans: large bowls of Silver Maple, White Oak, and two of Box Elder.

Next Club Meeting: July 21, 2015

Demonstration: This month's demonstration was a five station affair with the opportunity of hands on instructions by:

Fred Williamson – use of gouges in bowl turning

Peter Welch – natural edge bowls

Tom Evans – three footed bowls

Richard Landreth – turning hollow vessels

Jim Oates - finials

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STAUNTON SENIOR CENTER SESSION

On Thursday, June 18th, club members presented basic woodturning skills to 15 attendees from the Staunton Senior Center and two attendees' granddaughters at the Denny Martin Skills Center. After being assisted into the main room, they were welcomed by Dennis Hippen and then enjoyed coffee and snacks while Jim Oates explained the back ground of the center and basic safety rules to follow.

Mars Champaign introduced the use of basic tools using a carrot and a rutabaga to show a variety of techniques and how different cuts affected smoothness and shape. He explained what a "catch" is and how to avoid them. This is an approach often used with novice turners that lets them experiment safely.

Following a brief clean-up, Richard Landrth demonstrated the tools and materials used to make and finish a ball point pen and even let Lori Pullin try her hand at turning a square blank into a smooth wooden pen, polished and finished. When finished, he awarded her the pen.

Next up was Skew Master Elbert Dale who showed that a large skew can be used to make a very small piece with little or no sanding by using his skew to make a top. He had examples of finger tops, upside-down tops and others that everyone enjoyed playing with after the demo.

After the demonstrations, everyone moved to the main room for lunch and got a chance to see the show and tell table and other items members had for sale. Jimmy Guynn brought pieces that showed the process of building a laminated blank, hollowing it, and then a finished piece with lids that were carved or had glass insets so that people could see the complete process.

Each person was given a raffle ticket when they arrived and these were used to draw numbers for various turned items that members had donated so everyone went home with a prize.

Thanks to all who made this experience for the seniors a complete success!



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STAUNTON SENIOR CENTER SESSION



Welcome & Refreshments



Here's the Scoop



Set Up & ready



Not Your Typical Airline



Mars; Master Veggie turner, starts it off



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Richard Turns on the Charm.
Who Knew!



Senior?? She must be a Ringer.

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STAUNTON SENIOR CENTER SESSION



Elbert Dale, Wow's them Again.



And a Good Time was Had by All!



Big Round of Applause For the Team

Great Job Guys

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Skills Day



Always Sharpening



Coring Tool Setup



Awesome Job



Must Be a New AC

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Show & tell



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See the meeting minutes
for names and pieces.

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Events

Our next skills day is August 8 at 9:00 AM at the Skills Center. Our usual great mix of instruction and hands on will be available, so bring your tools, bring a friend and bring your enthusiasm. Coffee will be available. If anyone needs a specific skill please let me know and I will arrange for a mentor or we will have a learning experience like we did for Coring bowls.

All those who attended the symposium this year, please write up a short travelogue and your thoughts and email them to sawdust434@yahoo.com

What you missed Last Month

CVW MEETING TUE. June 16, 2015
The following is a list of the demonstrators and activity for the multi-station evening of fun and education. Extra help would be appreciated for early setup.

Richard Landreth- the Jamison System, a hollowing devise
Fred Williamson- will show different tool grinds and cuts
Peter Welch- natural edge bowl
Tom Evans- three footed bowl
Jim Oates- either spindle or finial demo

What's on for this month

CHIPS

The regular monthly meeting is Tuesday July 21st, at 7:00pm. Dale Winburn from the WoVA club will demo his shop made rose engine and resulting artistic items. There will be noise and chips. That's all we need. It'll be fun. See you all there.



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Five Station, Hands on Demo



Richard and the Laser
Hollowing Tool



Tom and Three Footed
Bowls



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Demo, cont.



Fred and Gouge Techiques



Peter and
Natural Edge Bowls



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Jim doing Finials



Always keep your tools sharp.

Calendar

August 8, Skills Center

July 21st, is the next meeting,

Demo is Dale Winburn will be doing a demo on his Rose Engine lathe.

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