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Piece by Alex Pettigrew from October meeting Show & Tell

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### **President's Corner**

December's meeting was our annual Christmas Party! Members and their spouses brought terrific, delicious dishes to pass for appetizers, side dishes and desserts. Peter Welch and his wife Paula coordinated the event, prepared and brought the main course of turkey and ham. Starting at around 1 pm, the following members came to the club site in Crimora, VA to set up for the festivities:



Fred Williamson, John and Pat O'Neil, Jim Oates, Tom Evans, Jason Levinson, Buck Culver, Paul Tomar and Bill Hemminger.

Thank you for your efforts. This went really well and minimized the time for setting up.

We held two raffles. One was for two ten-dollar gift certificates and one was for a platter set donated by Mike Sorge, which he made during one of his high speed turning demonstrations for us a few months earlier. Winners of the gift certificates are in Ron Capp's minutes, but a highlight was Katie Lasher, who is one of our newest and youngest members, who showed off the Roman gladiator's sword she made at the previous Saturday's Skill Session along with other items she made. We had spouses vote on which were the most popular/best items for the show and tell and she also won one of these along with Tom Evans.

We have openings for volunteers interested in doing or helping with our newsletter; and to assist audio/video work with John O'Neal, Fred Williamson and Jason Levinson. Please see them or myself if you are interested in these fun opportunities. In the meantime, Mars Champaign has volunteered to help put out our newsletter, so please get photos and items to Mars. Thank you Mars for your help with this and thanks to Peter for his doing the newsletter this year. We do need a newsletter.

Jim Oates' safety talk wished all a safe drive home. Safety minutes have been a feature of our last several meetings and will continue.

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With addition of new members introduced at the meeting by Don Voas, we have exceeded the magic number of one hundred members. We thank Jim Oates for the great job he has been doing running the very popular skills center, which is usually very well attended and is attracting many new members.

Dues for 2017 are due, so for those that did not pay at the Christmas dinner, please get your dues in as soon as possible.

At the last skills center meeting, we held a witnessed, random selection of candidates for winner for CVW to submit to AAW for scholarships at Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, John C. Campbell School and the Anderson Ranch Arts Center. The winner was Alex Pettigrew, with alternates in order Roger Chandler and Kirk McCauley. This puts our winner in the running for the AAW random winner selections.

Many of our members attended the Virginia Symposium held at Expoland in November in Fishersville. Bill Hemminger arranged for a full-sized truck with a lift gate that held all our equipment, so we made him the unofficial Vice President of Transportation. It greatly reduced the effort to get our equipment there and back. Thanks to the many volunteers who helped with the equipment move, video-graphing and mentoring at the sessions. Due to cancellation of one of the demonstrators, Barbara Dill and Fred Williamson of our club put on great and well received demonstrations at the Symposium. Richard Landreth, our Treasurer, and I are on the Symposium Board of Directors of which he is the President.

As we enter 2017, I will be contacting our officers to arrange a meeting like last year to review our plans and programs for the year. Fred Williamson and his assistants have already prepared several good programs for the first quarter of the year and more, which we will announce shortly.

Thanks again to all who come early and who stay after the meeting to put things away. I wish you all a Happy and Safe New Year

Bob Welch, CVW President (rvjwelch77@gmail.com)



## Scenes From the Dec 10 Skill Center Session











*Center, L & R* Watching Katie Lasher turning her Roman swords.

# Right:

Tom Evans explains how he creates a three footed base for his bowls and vessels





**December 13, 2016 Meeting Minutes**, Crimora Community Center Central Virginia Woodturners Club (CVW)

#### The General Meeting:

Bob Welch opened the meeting with a Merry Christmas greeting and thanked all who had brought food and helped with the setup. Special thanks to Peter Welch for organizing the Christmas Party and the slide show. He spoke about the Symposium, highlighting Bill Hemminger's transportation contributions, and those who mentored, provided video help and did demonstrations. The club still needs help with the publication of the newsletter. Please let Bob know if you are willing to help. Raffles will be held tonight for the Mike Sorge platters and for gift certificates.

Don Voas reported that we now have 101 members. New members include Ramona Miller, Nate Miller, Brian Rogers and Katie Lasher. With our membership now being over 100 we can nominate two of our members for the AAW Scholarships. Nominees are Alex Pettigrew, Roger Campbell and as alternate, Kirk McCauley.

Jim Oates had tonight's Minute for Safety and encouraged everyone to drive carefully going home.

Jim's report on the Skills Center was next. Two of our loaner lathes are out as are all of the tool sets. He feels that the skills of the new turners are improving because of our Skills Center and thanked all who are mentoring there.

Bob Welch stated that the Skills Center and the leadership of Jim Oates is why the membership of our club is growing.

Fred Williamson said that tonight's Show and Tell would be judged by the significant others attending tonight. Show and Tell was next and Jim Oates and William Bowman won the drawing for the gift certificates. In the judging of the items it was declared a tie between Katie Lasher and Tom Evans.

Peter Welch said grace. After dinner the raffle drawing for the Mike Sorge platters was won by Mrs. Bob Welch. The gift certificates were won by Katie Lasher, John Schmidt, Bill Shover, Alex Pettigrew and Paul Tolar.

Show and Tell

Buck Culver- various pieces made from jack oak recovered from a truck stop.



**Photos from the December 13 Meeting** 





*Top L:* Pres. Bob Welch helps with setup for dinner





*Top R:* Tables set up for dinner

*Middle L:* Buffet entrees table

*Middle R and R:* Assembled members, spouses/significant others and families enjoying themselves





Tom Evans- Natural wood walnut bowl

Jim Oates- lidded bowl made from walnut and maple, pepper grinder made from maple, walnut and ebony

John Schmidt- beer bottle shaped opener made from mahogany and a maple pepper mill

William Bowman- cherry flame bowl and a maple burl bowl

Mike Sorge- lidded square fish vase made from African wenge and zebrano

Katie Lasher- honey dipper made from pine, honey dipper made from cherry, bejeweled pink and gold dagger made from cherry

Paul Tolar- two bullet boxes made from ash, a bowl made from black cherry and malachite stone

Fred Williamson- salad bowl from silver maple, two bowls made from rock elm, JMU tulip vase from poplar root

### Next Club Meeting: January 17, 2017



*Left:* CVW's youngest member, Katie Lasher, shows her work with assistance from Jim Oates.

*Right:* Jim Oates maple snowman pepper mill





#### **December 13 Show & Tell**





Lidded bowl made from walnut and maple, pepper grinder made from maple, walnut and ebony by Jim Oates



Tom Evans Walnut Bowl



Buck Culver's pieces made from jack oak recovered from a truck stop.



Lidded square fish vase made from African wenge and zebrano by Mike Sorge

Apologies to those whose pieces from Show & Tell are not included here. These photos are all that were available....*Ed* 



# Proposed CVW 2017 Programs Schedule

Jan 17	Kirk McCauley and Fred	Platters
Feb_21	Barbara Dill	Functional multi-axis pieces
Mar 21	Mike Sorge	Lichtenberg Fractal Woodburning
Apr 18	Jim Sprinkle	Segmented turning
May 16	Ray Devo	Finials
June 20	Fred Williamson	mounting burls, closed fors
July 19	Alex Pettigrew	peppermills
Aug 15	Multi Station	Various coring systems. Buffing sys- tems other suggestions?
Sep 16	Jerry Whitehurst	Wall hung ornamental platters, and other stuff
Oct 17	Panel Discussion???	
Nov21	ТВА	
Dec 11 or 18?	Christmas Dinner	

In case of inclement weather, remember to check the website for possible xancellation.