

Central Virginia Woodturners

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August 2021 Newsletter

Norm is filling in for Jason while they are having a child

Next Meeting / Demonstration – In Person!

Natural Edge Bowl

Peter Welch

➔ **This is an in-person meeting and demonstration!** ←

Tuesday August 17, 2021, 6:00-9:00 at the Community Center. The meeting starts at 6:30.

Please bring your Show and Tell items and meet your friends.

We will provide a [Zoom](#) connection for those who cannot make the meeting in person.

Next Skill Center Session

The Skill Center and the Club Store will be open on August 14, 2021 from 9:00 – 12:00. Please contact [Jim Oates \(Woodturning Skills Center Coordinator\)](#) if you have a specific request.

President's Corner March 2021 – Bill Hemminger

Once again, we have come to that time of year, we all love in some ways and really dislike in others. (I would say hate but my mother said to never use that word) The fall is only weeks away, the leaves will be changing, school will be starting, the weather will be turning colder, some folks will be headed south for a few months and the sap in the trees moves downward making it the right time to cut wood for live edge projects. As we get older the cold becomes a threat to our health, sometimes it snows and it threatens our driving safety but more than that it signals the end of another year. Well, for one I am happy to see this year go into the books. Let's pray and thank God that COVID is behind us and we can go mask free for 2022.

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We recently had an Executive meeting of the CVW and many changes will be coming in the new year, our 2021 planning meeting was delayed due to COVID but the getting together was great. We came up with many new ideas to improve membership as well as new faces in 2022 in the leadership. We are still planning on our in-person Christmas Party, and we need some items for the auction. The auction I have been told is one of our major sources of income. We have not been bashful about asking for Cheese shop donations I know, but that contact and resource brings in a significant part of our income as well. The Christmas income last year approached a thousand dollars. It would be great to see us exceed that as our goal for 2021.

Once again, we have much to be thankful for as a club including but not limited to our newsletter editor. Well Jason (Our newsletter editor) has a new item to “Show and Tell”, he has become a father again; we wish him and his family well. This is really a big deal as most of us are bragging or talking about grandchildren and great grandchildren when one of our members is still producing originals. Not to be repetitive in our thanksgiving but I for one appreciate the offers for taking roles as officers for 2022. We are still looking for someone to fill the shoes of Larry Parker for Membership VP. If you are interested or have a nominee for this role, please let any of the execs know. We have nominees for President and VP Programs, but if you have an additional nominee, please let us know before the October elections. Thank you everyone who stepped forward to make things happen.

As a special thank you, I want to recognize Alan Driver for the very special class on hollow forms and tool making. Alan held two separate Saturday classes where Alan shared his skills not only as a turner but a fantastic teacher and instructor. He is certainly the **right** kind of member we should all strive to be. Patients, sharing and ability, what a combination to teach old dogs new tricks. Thank you so much Alan, I for one leaned a lot and from what I am hearing so did everyone else.

We are returning to in-person meetings and in-house demonstrations effective this coming month. We will also strive to provide Zoom access for those who cannot make it to the meetings, although this experience will certainly be diminished vs. our live meetings.

Parting thoughts for this month’s President’s Corner is to think about. If you’re reading this then you are probably a craftsman — or a craftswoman. That makes you special, because you have the gift of creating art and inspiring others.

Our thought / quote for August is from Jean de la Bruyere. ***“When a work lifts your spirits and inspires bold and noble thoughts in you, do not look for any other standard to judge by: the work is good, the product of a master craftsman.”***

This is your club. Be part of the success.

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2022 Demonstration & Meeting Program

Message from your CVW Program Team

For the next three monthly meetings, we're glad to report each demonstrator will be demonstrating in person at the Crimora Community Center. Check out the schedule for the balance of this year.

Also, the Program Team met to share ideas/suggestions to help VP/Program Nominee Joel Spring plan demonstrations for 2022. Please contact any member of the Program Team with your ideas/suggestions for 2022 or email to Mike Sorge - msorge5@gmail.com. CVW Program Team Members are Joel Spring, Jim Oates, Fred Williamson, Alex Pettigrew, Kirk McCauley, Norm D'Allura and Mike Sorge.

August 7th was the second "Basics in Hollow Form" hands on class taught by our own Alan Driver. We had seven members participate

August 17th – CVW member Peter Welch will be in-person at Crimora providing a Natural Edge Bowl Demonstration. (3rd Tuesday evening)

September 22nd (Wednesday evening)- Mark St Leger will be in-person at Crimora Community Center providing in-person demo on "Lidded Box with Contrasted Inlay". NOTE: This meeting was moved from Tuesday evening to Wednesday evening to accommodate the demonstrator's schedule.

October 19th - Willie Simmons will be in-person at Crimora Community Center providing "Bowls from Trees" demo. (3rd Tuesday evening)

November 16th - Donna Banfield will provide her "Embellishments" demo via Interactive Remote Demonstration (IRD Zoom). *We promise to have our technical details worked out to provide Donna's demo on the two large screens in the CCC auditorium with interactive portable microphone, so you can be there in person and enjoy socializing comradery with others or watch from the comfort of your home. (3rd Tuesday evening)

December 14th Christmas Party – Buck is contacting various restaurants to reserve a large room for our Christmas dinner. NOTE: Our December meeting is the 2nd Tuesday rather than the 3rd Tuesday evening so as not to interfere too closely with Christmas activities.

Joel Spring is pulling together the meeting schedule for 2021, If you have ideas for demonstrators, want to demonstrate yourself or have a suggestion for a topic, please contact Joel.

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Upcoming Events

"Art in the Park" at Gypsy Hill Park is Labor Day weekend, Saturday Sept 4th 10-5 and Sunday Sept 5th 12-5. Art in the Park has grown into a two-day festival of quality, juried fine art and fine craft. The exceptionally beautiful, historic municipal park provides a tree-lined, intimate setting for artists and artisans. Check it out including the new work from CVW member Mike Sorge.

Cheese Shop



The club had a good month at the Cheese Shop last month. We are need of more items. As I indicated recently start thinking about items for Christmas, it will be here before we know it. Also, consider items other than bowls. Boxes, vases, unusual items sell well plus provide a variety for customers to consider buying. However, bowls do sell well.

If you have items for The Cheese Shop, please bring them to the skills center and leave them in the yellow tote located in the lathe area. Some have asked me about leaving them in The Cheese Shop, but I have to inventory them and price before taking them to the shop so please take them to the skills center.

If you haven't visited The Cheese Shop you should make a point of doing so. If you visit feel

free to straighten the display if it seems in disorder. If there are easels without items on them, you can place them in the tote under the shelf. While you're there introduce yourself to the manager, Todd Anderson, and thank him for working with club. He is an Honorary Member, and great work with. This is your club so feel free to make suggestions on the display as well.

I usually visit The Chess Shop on the Monday before our regular meeting. Many bring items the second Saturday when the skills center is open for mentoring, etc.

Also, our membership numbers are good. If you have prospects for membership there are brochures available as well as applications, they can join online at www.centralvirginiawoodturners.com or fill out a hard copy at a meeting. Also, feel free to give prospects tour of the skills center.

Thank you for all your help in making The Cheese Shop a successful source of income for the Central Virginia Woodturners.

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Show-and-Tell

Mike Sorge was the recipient of a nice award for his blossom vessel.

SARA LOUGH HINER MEMORIAL AWARD

Outstanding Contemporary Work, any medium

56th Annual Bath County Art Show

Mike Sorge

Wellspring V, Spalted Maple Blossom and Spalted Maple Vessel & Glass

JUROR JOHN HENRY RICE (Judge)

E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter Curator of South Asian and Islamic Art

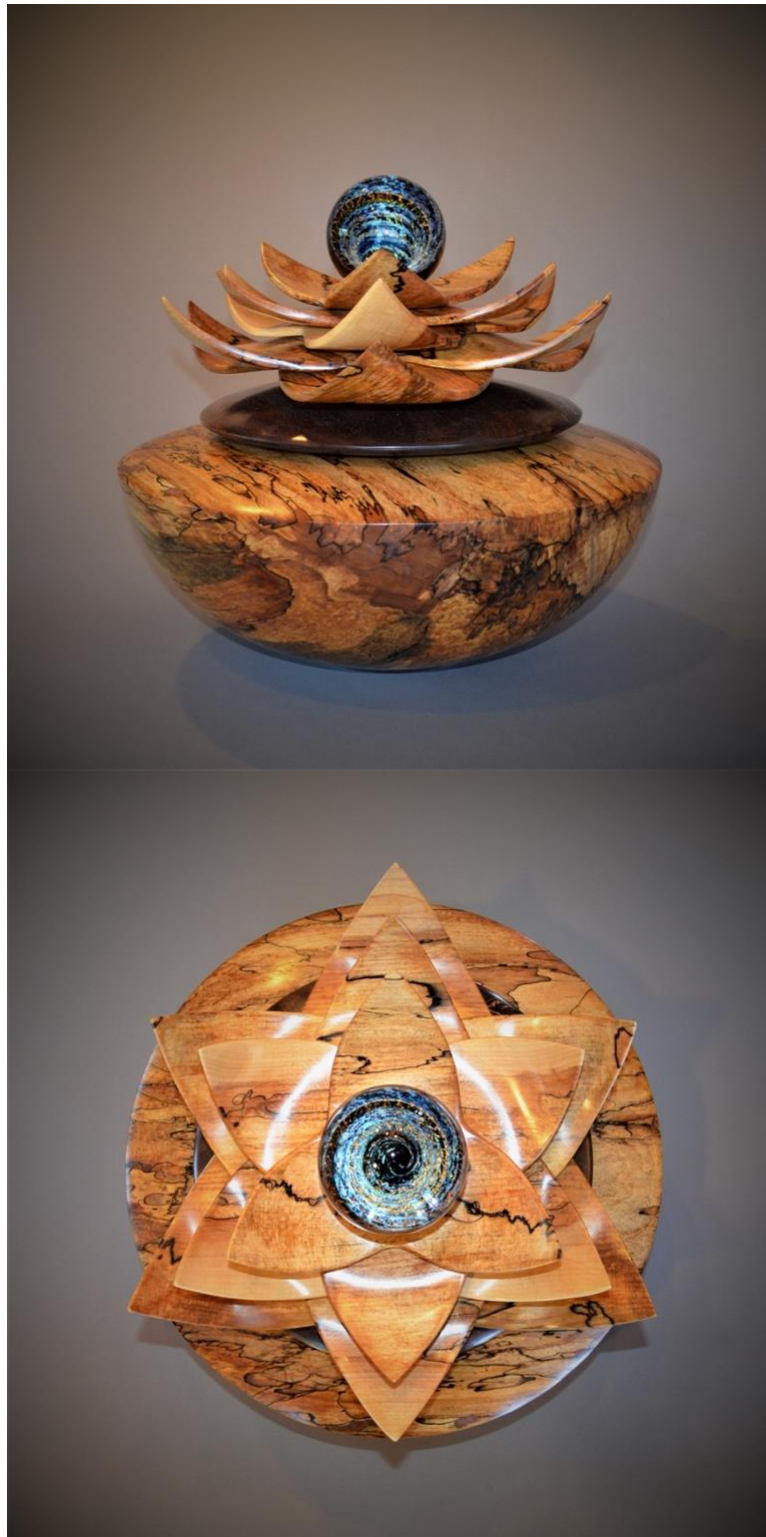
Virginia Museum of Fine Art

CONGRATULATIONS MIKE!



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Mike Sorge

Sugar Maple Flared Tips Triangle Bowl w/ Woodburned Carving



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Mike Sorge
Cherry Trillium Floral Bowl



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Mike Sorge
Spalted Sycamore Round Bowl

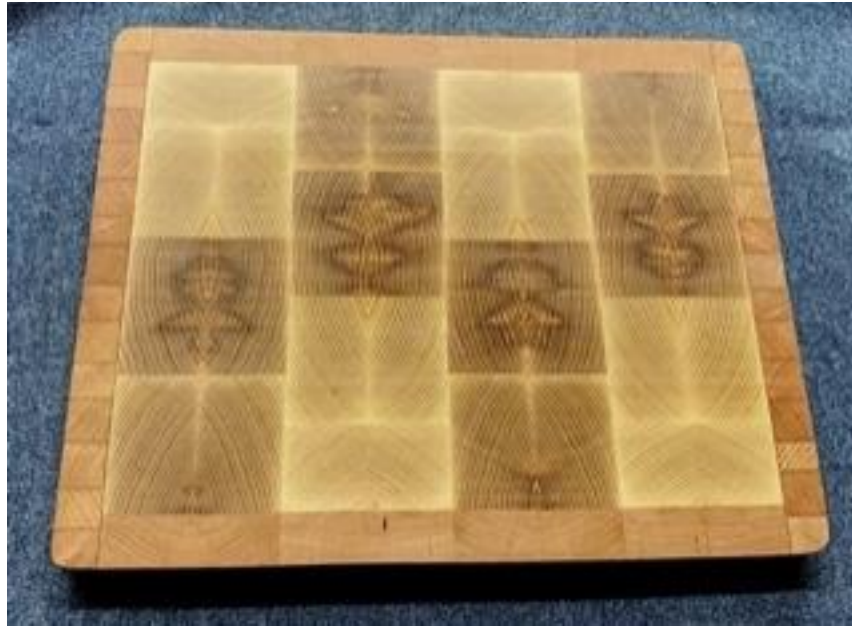


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Alex Pettigrew

From the world of flat wood comes Ash and Cherry end grain Chef Boards. ~12 1/2" x 17" x 1 3/8" thick. This batch pushed me over 400 individual items produced so far this year. Not a record pace but ahead of last year.



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Alex Pettigrew

"I'm trying a new style grinder from Penn State. Grinding mechanism is ceramic so it can be used for salt as well as pepper. Similar antique / steam punk style to those that I have been doing for years. Not too difficult but if you want to try feel free to reach out. I'm happy to help. Left to right, the woods are Blue Atlas Cedar (I think), Maple and Sycamore limb."



Wood and Resin Pens. Kits: Clicker from Craft Supplies USA. Resin: Total Boat High Performance Epoxy - Slow. Pigments: Black Diamond Mica Powders. Mold: Made from plastic cutting board.



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Starke Smith

Maple burl and (1) Ash and (1) Cypress potpourri containers!



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Norm D'Allura
Ash and Walnut items



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