

Central Virginia Woodturners

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November 2021 Newsletter

Next Meeting / Demonstration

Tuesday November 16, 2021, 6:00-9:15
Crimora Community Center

“Surface Embellishments”

Donna Banfield

This is Zoom Interactive Remote Demonstration. Donna will be [hosting the Zoom meeting](#) from her studio, and we will present the Zoom meeting at the Community Center on our TV screens. Social hour starts at 6:00 and the formal meeting starts at 6:30. As usual we will have a Show and Tell session both via Zoom and in the Community Center. For those who cannot make the meeting in person you may join [Zoom Meeting](#).

Please see the [CVW Website page](#) for more information about this demonstration and to see the files she has sent us to augment her demonstration.

Next Skill Center Session

The Skill Center and the Club Store will be open on November 13, 2021 and December 11, 2021, from 9:00 – 12:00. Please contact [Jim Oates \(Woodturning Skills Center Coordinator\)](#) if you have a specific request.

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Elections and Officers for 2022

We will be voting in the officers for 2022 at the November meeting.

Election of officers – Slate of officers

President – Norm D’Allura

VP Programs – Joel Spring

VP of Membership – Larry Parker

Secretary – John Watkins

Treasure – Jerry Jorgensen

Skills Director – Jim Oates

Symposium Representatives - Peter Welch – one more representative needed

Club Store – Buck

Cheese Shop – Donnie Maupin

Food Czar – Open - Serious need

Newsletter – Norm D’Allura till we find someone

Librarian – Jeff Corwin

Holiday Party

This year’s Holiday party will be on the 14th of December. We have changed our venue to the Golden Corral, where members can purchase their own dinner and drink. The buffet costs \$14.29 with the Senior Buffet (55 and older) at \$13.59. Soda and iced tea are an extra \$2.65. We have reserved a private room in the back of the facility.

We will have a raffle of items donated by members and vendors. Please let [Jerry](#) or [Bill](#) know if you will be bringing an item. We will not be having an auction.

Please let [Buck](#) know if you will be attending.

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Artisans Studio Tour - November 12th and 14th, 2021

Fred, Alex, and Kirk are on the tour in November. Please get out and support your friends and brothers and sisters in the craft.



Artisans Studio Tour

November 13 & 14, 2021


21 Studios, 46 Artisans

Charlottesville, VA, and Albemarle, Greene, Madison, & Nelson counties

New Skill Center Sign

We will be getting a new sign outside the Community Center, designed and built by our own Peter Welch. Here is a proof of the sign. Keep your eyes open for this replacement.

CENTRAL VIRGINIA WOODTURNERS



Meeting every 3rd Tuesday, 6:30 pm
Mentored Skills Class every 2nd Sat. 9am

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2022 Demonstration & Meeting Program

Please check out the meeting plans on the website [Calendar](#) page.

The Program Team is always soliciting demonstration ideas/suggestions for 2022. Please contact [Joel Spring](#) your ideas/suggestions.

Cheese Shop



We are need of more items for the Cheese Shop, especially with Christmas approaching. Please consider items other than bowls. Boxes, vases, and unusual items sell well, plus provide a variety for customers to consider buying.

If you have items for The Cheese Shop, please bring them to the Skills Center when it is open and leave them in the yellow tote located in the lathe area. Please to not take them to The Cheese Shop yourself so we can manage inventory. Donnie Maupin will be the Cheese Chip liaison for 2022.

If you haven't visited The Cheese Shop, please do so to see what we offer. 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, feel free

to introduce yourself to the manager, Todd Anderson, and thank him for working with club. He is an Honorary Member and is great work with. This is your club so feel free to make suggestions on the display as well.

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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President's Corner November – 2021 – Bill Hemminger

November is a time to give focus on giving thanks, enjoy the fleeting beautiful weather, prepare for the winter, put lawn furniture away, start planning for Christmas and a host of pleasures only this time of year brings to us. To start with I am most thankful for my family and friends. My friends and fellow members of Central Virginia Woodturners have provided me with some of my most treasured experiences. I have enjoyed the outdoors this year in clearing some land and being in the midst of nature. Yes, as we put lawn furniture away it does signal cooler times but that also gives us the reset button for our next year.

Yes, next year, (only single digit numbers counting down the weeks till 2022) will have many changes coming to this group as a new group of extremely competent individuals will set the pace for the continued success of the CVW. The involvement of some already have had an impact in the programming for 2022. Schedules are being set, plans being made and your direct happiness with owning a lathe and turning wood will be the priority of this leadership group. If you do one thing for the CVW for 2022, support this team, you will not be sorry. If you want to do two things, pay your dues and renew your membership. And, finally, if you want to do three things, invite a friend or an acquaintance to the meetings or mentoring sessions. Grow this group and help yourselves with new ideas and creative exchanges. More to come about this later.

We have a new and very much needed sign installed at the skills center. I believe we all need to say thank you for the fine job Peter Welch has done for us. This is also an investment in our group and to further the craft. In sales or in the business world the last dollar you cut from a budget is marketing. The success of any business is letting people know your product and the people who represent and stand behind that product. We, at the CVW sell the unique experience of bringing out the creativity the lives in our being. Promoting the craft and enjoying the comradery is so rewarding to our souls that it is hard not to talk about the grain of the wood, the softness of the finish and the gleam of the polish.

Let's discuss the uniqueness of the CVW, we have turners, flat wood craftsman, carvers, blacksmiths and a myriad of trades and skills. One such unique skill set comes from our brother nearing his centenarian achievement, Mars Champaign. Celebrating 76 years of marital bliss, Mars and his lovely wife Bobbie were recently honored in the annual publication of the Virginia Commonwealth edition of *The Herb Society of America* (with their picture in color and everything). Let's all wish Mars and Bobbie a happy 76th wedding anniversary. The Herb Society was established in 1987. Mars was only 64 years old then. Wow!!!

The November Quote is from a press conference given at the University of Virginia on May 20, 1957; "At one time I thought the most important thing was talent. I think now that — the young man or the young woman must possess or teach himself, train himself, in infinite patience, which is to try and to try and to try until it comes right. He must train himself in ruthless intolerance. That is, to throw away anything that is false no matter how much he might love that page or that

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paragraph. The most important thing is insight, that is ... curiosity to wonder, to mull, and to muse why it is that man does what he does. And if you have that, then I don't think the talent makes much difference, whether you've got that or not.” **William Faulkner**

Parting thought: I am always doing that which I cannot do, in order that I may learn how to do it. **Pablo Picasso.**

This is your club. Be part of the success.

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

Turners' Corner - New Feature

This month we have a new section in the Newsletter with the focus on turnings with a story behind them. This month we are featuring Dennis Hippen and we all know Dennis has lots of stories to share.

Please send your stories to the Newsletter Editor!

I quote Dennis below:

In the beginning, this very large maple burl challenge was from a family that delivered it to my shop for bowls/other. This was about the 3rd largest burl I have turned out of 5-6 large burls over the years. This burl I rolled out of their SUV and almost busted the concrete in the driveway. I had to round up a young neighbor to help me place on a 2 wheel cart and muscle back to my woodpile. This burl was about 22" W X 23" L that had grown on a 6" limb and very solid.

Photos depict the burl cut into chunks for bowls. The largest bowl was cored (see photo) and a photo of the outside of the largest bowl in process. Photos of inside and outside of the largest bowl + 6 smaller bowls - most have bark on.

Burls are a fun challenge from start to finish. The burl owners will keep some of the bowls/cheese board and will gift others to 5 grandkids for Xmas. The total yield from this maple burl was 9 finished bowls + 1 finished cheese board + 6 more various size cheese/bar boards + 2 dozen pen blanks + 12 handle size blanks still drying.

I had the owners of the burl stop by and choose the colors they wanted voids filled with. One bowl has turquoise pigment and the other has Caribbean Ocean pigment. Five of the nine bowls had voids filled.

Dennis

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Show-and-Tell

Alex Pettigrew
Xmas Ornaments

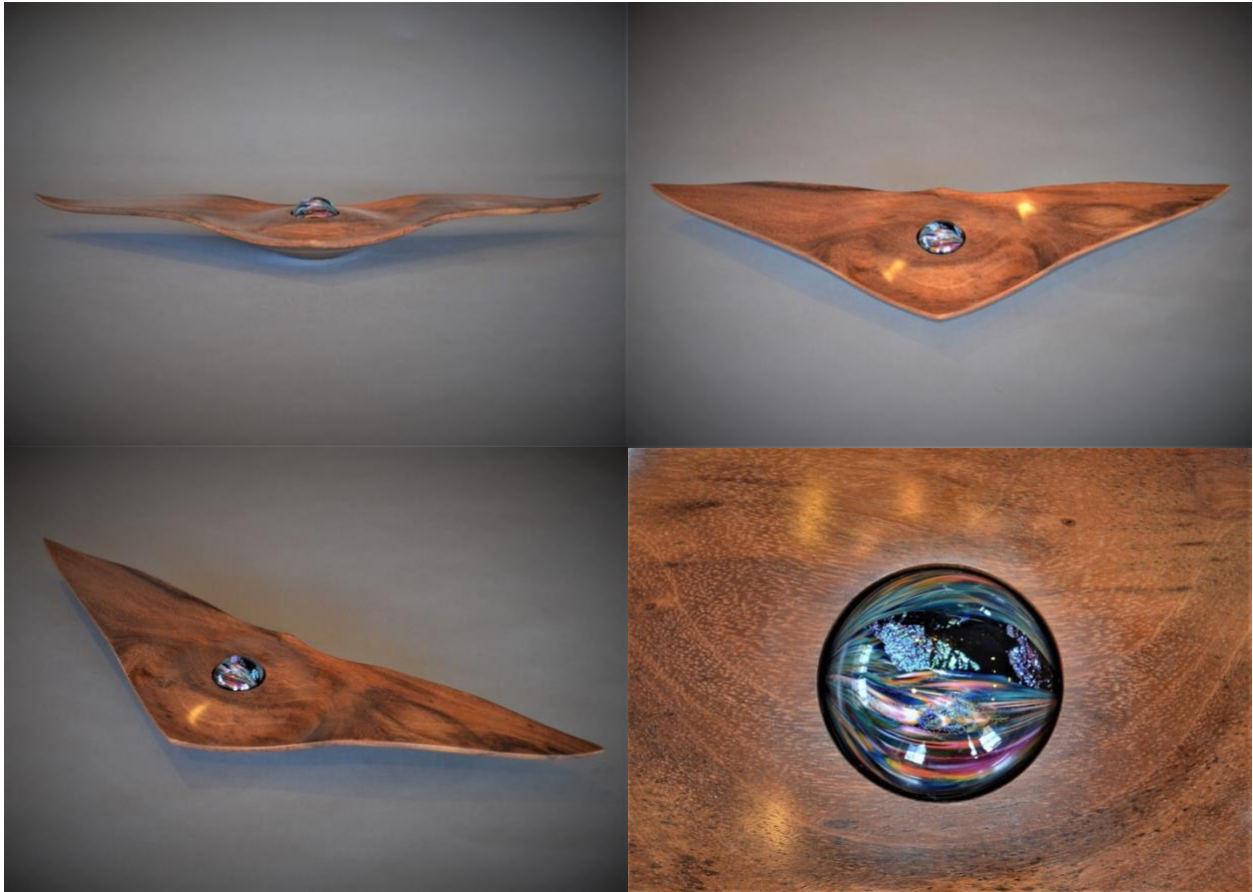


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Mike Sorge

Brazilian Rosewood Spirit Bird with a beautiful artisan glass marble, curiously captured. Marble made by Phillip Nolley.



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Norm D'Allura

Walnut Natural Edge Arm-R-Seal Finish



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Jeff Corwin

The first Ambrosia Maple one is 11 inches as is the cherry bowl with the beaded rim. The flared Ambrosia Maple bowls are 13 inches. All finished with three coats of Behlens Salad Bowl Finish and buffed with the Beale System.



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John Schmidt

I will start with a cherry burl that I picked up from our guest at last month's meeting. Second is a natural edge cherry as was demonstrated at our last meeting. The last is a cherry goblet that I made from a weeping cherry limb that I picked up from a friend.



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Rolf Gebel



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Starke Smith

All Osage Orange bowls and bud vase!
Also plenty of Osage Orange logs for sale.



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