

# Central Virginia Woodturners

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## February 2022 Newsletter

### Next Meeting / Demonstration

Tuesday February 15, 2022, 6:30

Wood Turning Ink Pens for Fun or Profit

Alex Pettigrew

Please see the [CVW Website page](#) for more information.

The Program Team is always soliciting demonstration ideas/suggestions for 2022. Please contact [Joel Spring](#) your ideas/suggestions. We are looking for members who are willing to give a in-person demonstration in the fourth quarter. Please let Joel know if you are interested or willing.

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

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### Next Skill Center Session

The Skill Center and the Club Store will be open on February 12, 2022 from 9:00 – 12:00. Please contact [Jim Oates \(Woodturning Skills Center Coordinator\)](#) if you have a specific request.

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### In-Person Class in the Skill Center!

“Hands On Class” instructed by David Swiger

#### Turning Deep Hollow Forms

Saturday March 26th, 8:30am-4pm

See <https://centralvawoodturners.org/turning-deep-hollow-forms/> for details. Class is limited to six participants and is \$95/student.

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<b>Elected Officers for 2022</b>	<b>Esteemed Volunteers</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• President – Norm D’Allura</li><li>• VP Programs – Joel Spring</li><li>• VP of Membership – Larry Parker</li><li>• Secretary – John Watkins</li><li>• Treasure – Jerry Jorgensen</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Skills Center Director: Jim Oates</li><li>• Cheese Shop Coordinator: Donnie Maupin</li><li>• Newsletter: Norm D’Allura</li><li>• Video Team: Chris Culotta, Steve Winkler, Ron Burton</li><li>• Store Manager: Buck Culver</li><li>• Librarian: Jeff Corwin</li><li>• Food Czar: <b>Unfilled Position!!!</b></li><li>• CVW- VA Symposium Board Member (VP): Peter Welch &amp; Gary Conley</li><li>• Ruritans Liaison: Dan Stogdale</li><li>• Webmaster: Norm D’Allura</li></ul>

## Summer Picnic and Christmas Party

We are planning on having a Club Picnic in June at the Pavilion at the back of the Community Center. We are also planning on having our annual Christmas Party in the Community Center. Both events will be catered by the Ruritan Club or the Crimora Players. We need volunteers to run these two events, coordinating activities and just making sure things go right. We need to form a committee now for the Picnic. If you are willing to serve, please let one of the Officers know.

### Vendors who donated to the Christmas Raffle – Please thank these vendors with your continued patronage

- Home Depot
- Black Forest Sawmill
- Advantage Lumber
- Starbond Glue
- Woodturningz, Inc
- Craft Supplies
- Ruth Niles
- Thompson Lathe Tools
- Highland Woodworking
- Packard Woodworks

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## AAW Highlights

This month the American Association of Woodturners (AAW) email has some interesting articles, one of which is The Splendor of Burls. “Burl grain patterns are mind-blowing. With distinctive marbled waves and swirls, their wooden splendor can evoke excitement and other emotions. No two burls are alike. This week's picks are intended to help you explore the grandeur of burls, as well as help you know how to work with this exquisite form of wood.”

Also, A Well-Done Finial. "I love the way a finial completes the personality of a lidded vessel, then invites you to reach out and lift up the lid. In my eyes, a well-done finial is a pleasing and lively composition that adds another dimension to a piece." Cindy Drozda, “Finial Design,” American Woodturner, Spring 2006.

Spheres—Have a ball! Turned spheres beg to be touched, handled, and rolled. They can be an interesting way to display a collection of various woods or be combined with other turned objects to add intrigue and stir curiosity. The surface decoration options are unlimited and can transform a simple sphere into something even more fascinating. This week's picks explore sphere turning. The spherical possibilities are limited only by your imagination. Have a ball!

These articles are available to members only, so please consider joining the AAW and support more articles like these.

## AAW Virginia Woodturners, Inc., Symposium

The Virginia Woodturners Symposium will be held on November 5-6 at the Expo Center. Your representatives are Peter Welch and Gary Conley. We need a third volunteer to help make this event a fun time and a success. Please contact Peter or Gary or Norm if you can help.

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## Cheese Shop



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

Please items 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 is 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

We had our Annual Executive Planning Meeting on Saturday, January 22, at Panera Bread in Waynesboro. We had an excellent turnout and a very productive meeting. The Execs and Volunteers are a great of folks who have no problem contributing and discussing issues. You can find the meeting minutes on the website <https://centralvawoodturners.org/meeting-documentation/>. The minutes are in the members-only section of the site, so if you need the password, let me know. I also completed Phase One of uploading past Member Meeting minutes for those who may be interested.

We updated all of the Roles and Responsibilities of the Execs and Volunteers. They are stored here: <https://centralvawoodturners.org/roles-and-responsibilities/>. Of note, we have altered the responsibilities of the Food Coordinator to eliminate the responsibility for the summer picnic and Christmas Party limiting the role to providing refreshments for the Member Meetings and the Skill Center Sessions. The Picnic and Christmas Party will be organized by a committee of volunteers. The Food Coordinator role is currently vacant and we are asking for a volunteer.

With the membership vote approval, we bought an additional full-size lathe which fills out our available footprint and allows us to offer classes with 6-7 attendees. We hope to have 3-4 of these classes each year in the Skill Center. Our first 2022 class will be Saturday March 26th, 8:30am-4pm entitled Turning Deep Hollow Forms a "Hands-On Class" instructed by David Swiger. By this writing I believe all slots are filled. If you want to get on the wait list, please contact Joel.

Joel has done a great job in filling out our calendar with both member and outside demonstrators. Please check out <https://centralvawoodturners.org/calendar-of-events-2022/>. Please let Joel or any Exec know if you are interested in providing a demonstration for the club or know someone from another club who would do so.

On a more personal note, I am taking advantage of the cold weather staying inside and I am in the process our collection of VHS and VHS-C tapes to digital format. So far, I have over 126Gb converted and I just discovered another box hiding under the bed. II am pitching the old cassettes. I am storing them on a NAS (network) RAID drive with a backup in my safety deposit box.

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## Turners' Corner

You are invited to write something to share with fellow woodturners, be it amusing, informative, instructive, or scary. It can be personal or professional.

### Harvesting Ambrosia Maple by Mike Sorge

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday mornings (Feb 7-9), some lucky CVW members took part in harvesting very nice Ambrosia Maple timber in Stuarts Draft. Donnie Maupin's friend Bruce owned the home, and his friend Ted brought over his tractor with shovel attachment to easily load timber. Photos are of the remaining trunk base with Donnie in the middle flanked by Ted on the left and Bruce on the right, another photo of Donnie using his 28" blade to make a cut through that trunk section.

Donnie Maupin, Joel Spring, Jim Oates and I cut up plenty of beautiful turning blanks for the March 26 deep vase and hollow forms class with instructor David Swiger. And I believe all including Roger Davis and new members Montana and Michael went home with some beautiful turning timber. Thanks for arranging Donnie!





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## Show-and-Tell

Glen Stanley  
Ash with a friction cured shellac finish





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Helen I'Anson

Bowl from a Blank from the Skill Center – Before and After



Starke Smith

Mineralized Poplar plate 1"x10 5/8"





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Peter Welch  
16" Box elder fruit bowl.



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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.