

# Central Virginia Woodturners

A Registered Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

## March 2025 Newsletter

### Next Meeting

Tuesday, March 18, 2025, 6:30 PM

Twice-Turned Bowls

### Mike Sorge

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

### SCAM ALERT

**A scammer has sent CVW members an email posing as Norm asking members to purchase a gift card. Please ignore this email as it did not originate from Norm. The giveaway is the email sender email address, which is clearly not Norm's. Please note that the spammer somehow got hold of an old email list and some ex-members are getting the email.**

### Next Skill Center Session

Skill Center and Mentoring Sessions are held on the 2nd Saturday of each month from 9AM-Noon. The Club Store will be open at this time. New and prospective members are always welcome. Please contact [Jim Oates \(Woodturning Skills Center Coordinator\)](#) if you have a specific request.

### Drop-In Saturday Skills Center Session

Members can use the Skill Center on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month from 9AM until 12:00 PM. Jeff Corwin and Alan Driver have organized an additional Saturday where members can utilize our Skill Center for projects or instruction. Members of all levels of turning skill are invited to work on challenges or get help with specific projects or techniques working with members of CVW's mentoring and instruction team. Members are encouraged to let Allen and Jeff know if they have projects or learning goals that they would like to have addressed in the upcoming session.

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***We are in significant need for donations for both the Shenandoah Valley Arts Center and the Cheese Shop. Please bring something the next time you come to the Crimora Community Center.***

## Shenandoah Valley Arts Center

Dennis Hippen has created an opportunity for the Club to sell items in the Shenandoah Valley Arts Center (SVAC) at 126 S Wayne Ave in Waynesboro. All woodworking items are welcome for donation from club members including bowls, spindle work (including pens) and flat work (e.g. cutting boards). Please use the box in the back room for donations. The Center will provide a display stand and manage the sales. This is a great opportunity for the Club to earn funds to offset the increasing costs of demonstrations and to keep our dues low. SVAC gift shop price points are \$40-80 range and often sell items that are \$150+. Marc Steck has volunteered to be the coordinator between CVW and SVAC. Thanks Marc!

## 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 bring 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.

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 CVW Member.

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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## **Beads of Courage**

We are backlogged on Beads of Courage bowls and do not have an outlet currently. Please consider donating to the Cheese Shop or SVAC.

## **Quote(s) of the Month**

**Courtesy of Mike Sorge**

"Determination, effort, and practice are rewarded with success." ~ Mary Lydon Simonsen

"Constant effort and frequent mistakes are the stepping stones to genius." ~ Elbert Hubbard

Keep your tools sharp. "A dull axe is not only inefficient, but also dangerous." ~ Abraham Lincoln

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## Turners' Corner

New Members Bowl Mentoring – Dennis Hippen

Photos are of Sean Black (Orange hat) of Family owned Black Forest Sawmill and Ely who are new members( family membership).

Both have lathes and the session was to turn bowls from logs VS slabs. Both are quick learners; Sean is holding some of the new bowl gouges he bought at the last meeting sale. Welcome new members. Dennis



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Follow-up From Fred Williamson  
Close up of the bottom hollowing gouge tip.



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Also I put handles on the two Trent Bosch bent hollowing tools I have, and I felt much more in control using it. It gave a plenty clean and smooth cut inside this little globe. Here are a few pics of my process. I am running out of the 4 mil neoprene so the handles are a bit shorted on it.



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Mike Sorge - Maple Festival in Monterey



## Party Raffle Donors

The following vendors provided the generous donations for our Holiday Party door prizes. Please share our appreciation with them with your patronage.

Carter and Sons	Craft Supplies USA
D-way Tools	Home Depot, Waynesboro
Lowe's, Waynesboro	MDI Woodcarvers
Packard Woodworks	Rockingham Ace Hardware, Waynesboro
Rockler of Richmond, Short Pump	Mike Sorge
Starbond	Thompson Tools
Treeline Woodcarvers	Woodcraft of Richmond, Short Pump
Woodturners Wonders	Brian, the Flutemaker....

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## Images from the Last Meeting

Thanks to our Club Photographer Bob Shiflett





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## Show and Tell

The best way to share Show-and-Tell items is at the monthly meetings. Here all members get a chance to share their work, solicit suggestions as well as creative criticism and learn something new. Members get to ask questions and see the work close up. The newsletter is also a way to share your creations, but this medium is missing the interactive element. Please bring your work to the meetings to start a discussion! If you have photographs for the Newsletter, please send to [newsletter\\_editor@centralvawoodturners.org](mailto:newsletter_editor@centralvawoodturners.org).

Fred Williamson

Finished hollow form from the meeting. Here is the finished vase I turned during the demo. I took too long to finish hollowing it out, and the sapwood was stained too dark to sand out, shows on the left side of the top band of white.



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Fred Williamson

Also here is the larger round bowl. It had cracks on both sides of the top I decided to bandsaw away. The shot with those pieces taped in place should be self-explanatory. I think the finished fake natural edge is plenty satisfying.



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Norm D'Allura

My first segmented bowl. The central body parts were given to me by Jim Echols. Walnut, maple and cherry.



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<b>Elected Officers for 2025</b>	<b>Esteemed Staff &amp; Volunteers</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• President – Norm D’Allura</li><li>• VP Programs &amp; Demonstrations – Jeff Corwin (2025)</li><li>• VP of Membership and Activities– Gary Conley</li><li>• Secretary – John Schmidt</li><li>• Treasurer – Ron Burton</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Skills Center Director: Jim Oates</li><li>• Cheese Shop Coordinator: Tom Reeves</li><li>• SCAC Coordinator Marc Steck</li><li>• Video Lead: Open</li><li>• Store Manager: Buck Culver</li><li>• Librarian: Jeff Corwin</li><li>• CVW- VA Symposium Board Members Norm D’Allura &amp; Gary Conley</li><li>• Photographer: Bob Shiflett</li><li>• Webmaster: Norm D’Allura</li><li>• Newsletter Editor: Norm D’Allura</li></ul>



The Central Virginia Woodturners (CVW), located in the 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, educational, and very friendly club.