

Central Virginia Woodturners

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July 2026 Newsletter

Bandsaw and Chainsaw Safety, Tuning and Maintenance

July 21 2026, 6:30 PM

This is an in-person demonstration at the Crimora Community Center.

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

News Items

We are looking for someone to lead the effort to set up a display in the Waynesboro Library. We are thinking a few turnings and some literature about the club. Please see Jim Echols jeechols@verizon.net or Don Oxley donoxley@gmail.com for more information.

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.

Pics from the Previous Skills Session



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Virginia Woodturners Symposium

The next Virginia Woodturners Symposium will be held on October 24-25, 2026 at the Augusta Expo Center, in Fishersville, VA. More information and registration are available at <https://virginiawoodturners.com>.

Drop-In Saturday Skills Center Session

Members can use the Skill Center on the 4th 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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Turners' Corner

The first two photos are from the Gay Street Gallery Pop-up Show that my husband, Jeff (the woodworker) and I did at the end of May. I had 9 turned pieces on display and sold 7 of them to support The Shenandoah Valley National Park Trust. Specifically, The Kevin H. Adams Memorial Endowment to support growth and mentorship of emerging artists in and around Shenandoah.

The last photo is from the 40th annual American Association of Woodturners Symposium in Raleigh, NC. Had lunch there with Paige Payne and Kenneth Koons. The symposium was tremendous and I learned a lot and spent quite a bit of money too!!

Helen I'Anson



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We are always in 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. Your donations are a valued source of income for the club and help to keep dues down.

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 shelf 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 on the shelf in the back room. 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.

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Beads of Courage

We have an outlet for Beads of Courage bowls. Please consider donating to the Cheese Shop or SVAC. There are BoC buttons in the collection box in the back room.

Quote(s) of the Month

Application of knowledge is real true power!" – Rick Moneymaker
Submitted by Rolf Gebel

Party Raffle Donors

The following vendors provided the generous donations for our 2025 Holiday Party door prizes. Please share our appreciation with them with your patronage.

Niles Bottle Stoppers	Woodcraft Short Pump*
Ace Hardware Waynesboro*	Thompson Tools*
Penn State	D-way tools/ Boxmaster*
Black Forest Sawmill	Craft Supplies USA
Klingspor	Sunnyside Resident
Lowes Staunton	Treeline Woodcarvers
Home Depot Waynesboro*	Grottoes Ace
Lowes Waynesboro*	Packard Woodworks*
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Dave Wampler	Willie Simmons

*Repeat donor

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Monthly Meeting Show and Tell

Thanks to our Club Photographer Bob Shiflett

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!



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Demonstration Images from the Tools, Tips and Tricks Session



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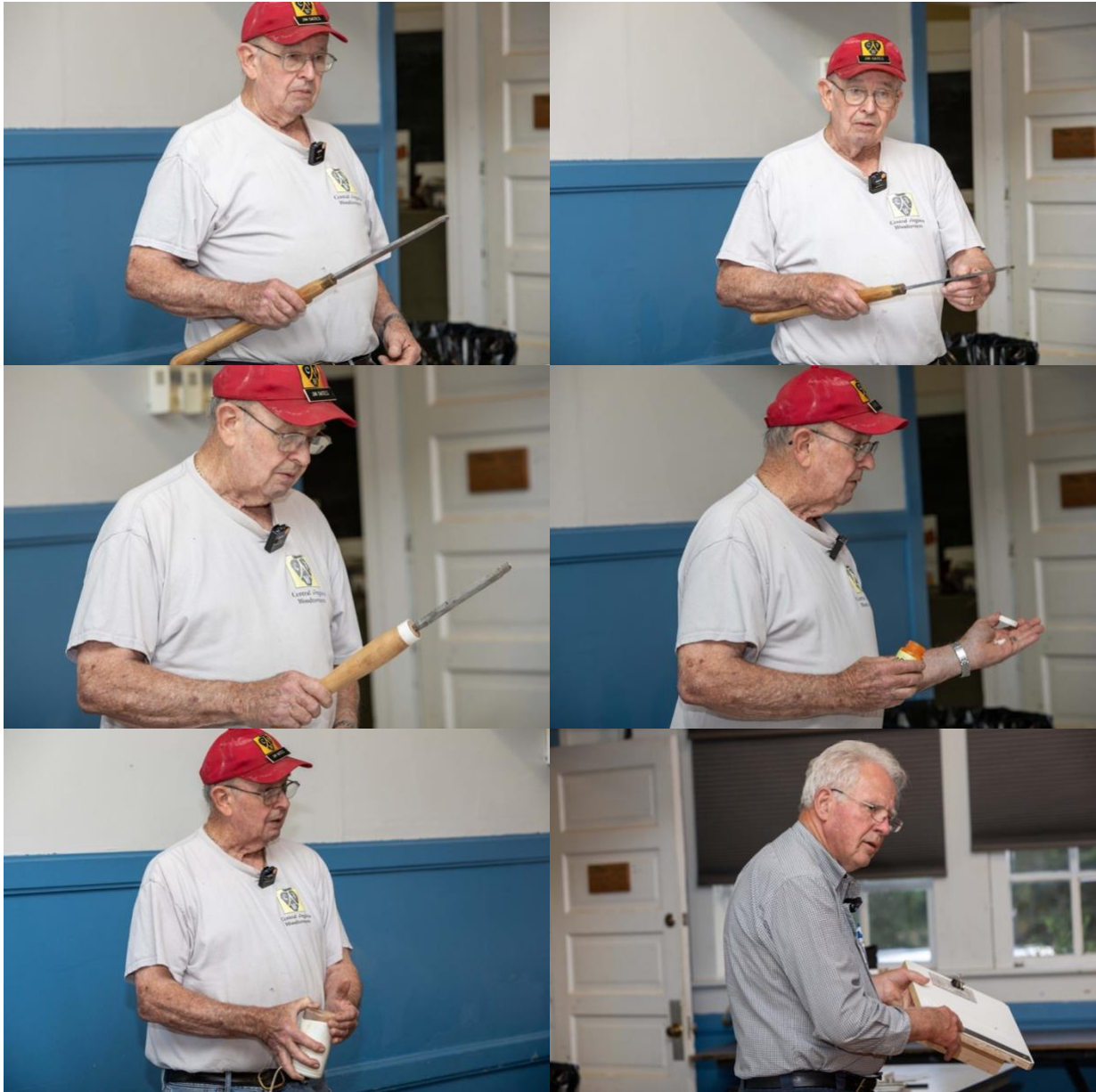
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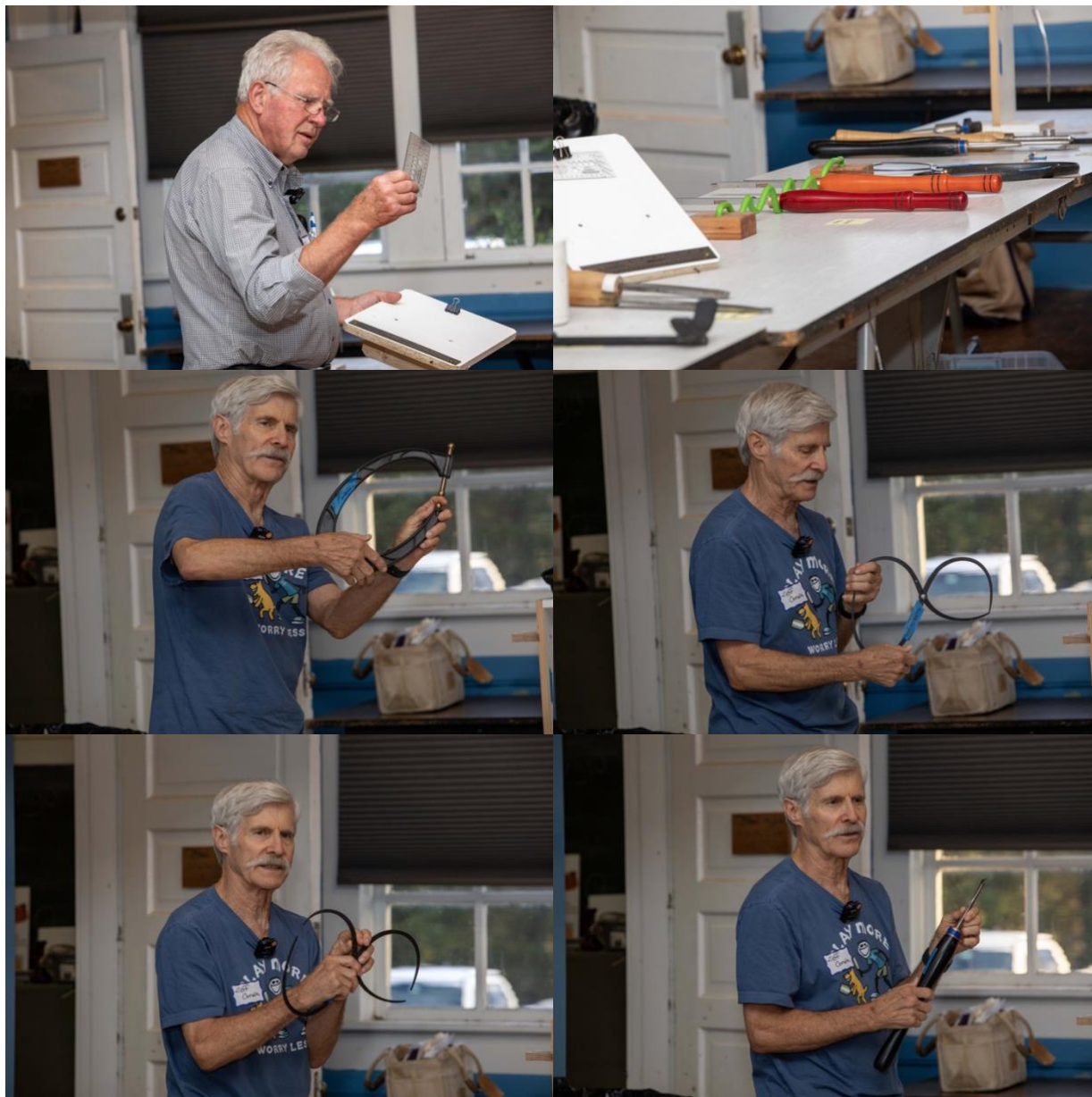
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Show-and-Tell

Please bring your show and tell items to the next meeting – it is a lot more fun that way. If you have photographs for the Newsletter, please send to newsletter_editor@centralvawoodturners.org.

Debra Traverse

I have my new lathe up and running. Finally tackling a big, cored burl. This is one of three. Two bigger ones to come.



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Dennis Hippen

Another 4-set of nested Weeping Cherry bowls. Largest bowl is 13" diameter. Beautiful wood. The set will go to the couple that had the trees removed.



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Dennis Hippen

Another 4 set nested Maple bowls. Largest bowls is 15:+ diameter. I had to make a new bottom with Tiger wood.



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