



# Woodturner's Anonymous of Richmond

<http://www.richmondwoodturners.org>



## Next Meeting:

@Woodcraft, old Circuit City Plaza , 9862 West Broad St (Rt. 250W), Richmond, on the third Thursday of every month , 6:30PM. Refreshments provided.

**June 18**

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## Program Schedule:

June: Brian Goulet & Pens

July: TBA

August TBA

## Challenge Schedule:

June: Something Skewed

July: TBA

August: TBA

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June 2009

**DEMOS:** This month we have two short demos. First up is **Using a Router to Create Inlays on Turnings** by Danny Roberts (friend of Phil E). Danny after much trial & error has developed a router method of adding details to turned objects. **First** build the box jig for the router. It needs to be rigid so use 3/4" plywood and angle aluminum for strength. Make the box large enough to fit the biggest diameter thing on your lathe with more head room at the top for router clearance and adjustment. The top is mounted in 4 grooves so it has a height adjustment and tightening knobs. The top has a circular cutout big enough to fit your plunge router & then some. This also has some tie down screws. **Second**, mount the box to your lathe (open end faces the head stock) with tight fitting wooden brackets. Using an indexing wheel, mount it now. With a laser light fitted into the headstock's Morse taper, mark the center edge of the top circle. Mark the center of the circle and mark the distance from that point to the edge of your router. Attach a guide bar at this location. With the router cut a groove centered on this line (Not any closer than the object is to the headstock). Make it larger than the router bit you wish to use.



See the adjustable top & reinforcing aluminum angles



Laser center finder, See

the Morse taper?

**Third**, turn a vessel to its final shape. Attach the box jig to the lathe. Lock the indexing wheel. Center the object under the router groove (use the laser light setup again). Good to have the adjustable circle in the top. Adjust the top so the bit will reach and will move in a straight line with equal depth. For longer inlays the top may have to be adjusted again to keep the depth the same. Cut in only one direction and don't pull the bit backwards. This is good reason to have a plunge router, go buy one. Cut the first groove. Move the indexing wheel and cut the next groove. Continue until finished. (Wonder if a Spiro-Crafter, Ray has them for sale this month, would work too) Glue in the inlay or stone dust and sand.



Top with adjustable circle and router hole. Router guide bar. Router setup.



Next up Guy [**Continued on page 2**]

**Shows Coming Out Of VA:**

**June 2009**, AAW 2009 Symposium, Albuquerque, NM.

**Oct 23-25**, Woodturning Symposium, Greensboro, NC ,  
www.northcarolinawoodturning.com

**Shows Coming In VA:**

**April 3-June 14**, "Turning Wood into Art: Mason Collection" Visual Arts Center, Richmond.

**Sept 25-Oct 5**, State Fair of VA, Caroline County.

**Oct 10-11**, Crozet Arts & Craft Festival, Crozet

**Oct 17-18**, Greater Lanexa Studio Tour, Lanexa.

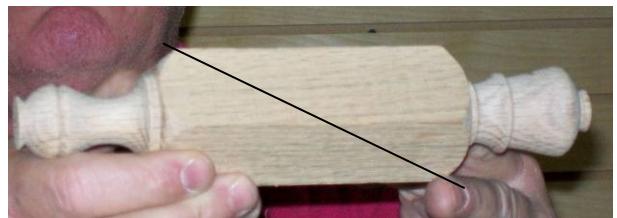
**[Demos from page1] Taming of the Skew with Guy Cox.**

In order to get good with a skew you have to practice, practice, and practice. But who wants to stand there just turning beads and coves on a hunk of wood? Guy introduces us to skew basics and a few skew projects. First get some wood. Ray had a special on grab bag pen blanks. Just big enough for seam rippers, whistles and stick pens. Door stoppers, fan pulls and bottle stoppers will need a 2 x 2".

Guy reminded us that when demoing with an unknown lathe it should be set at the proper height for turning. This is very important for the vertically challenged as the center of the work should be at your elbow and most big laths with built in legs and wheels are too tall. Bring a platform.

Skew are funny to sharpen, so get a jig. The bevel should be 1.5 times the thickness of the skew. Oh, get a mill file to dress up your tool rest too. A slick surface will help the skew slide better.

Now a few basics. Peeling cuts uses the bottom (heel) of the skew and ride the bevel like a roughing gouge. Planning cuts uses the skew edge between 0-90 degrees while riding the bevel. Don't get discouraged. To avoid catches remember to keep the skew cutting below its center of balance and a triangle is a stable position.



Door stop finished. Cut on diagonal



Seam ripper

*Door stops:* sand the block of wood first, then mount on the lathe. Cut the pummels using the toe and widen the nock toward the ends. Roll the tool to make big beads on the end. Cut flat areas on the diagonal to make two door stops. Sell for \$10.

*Seam rippers:* Make the hole tight and don't glue in the insert. They do get dull and need to be replaced. Make different sizes to fit different hands. Sell for \$5. Order the seam rippers inserts from [www.jimhilburger.com](http://www.jimhilburger.com). 10 for \$5+shipping .

*Fan pulls:* Drill the holes (Two different sizes) first and have a drive center you can mount it on. Finish with some Hut's friction polish or wipe on Poly. See more ideas and details in [Woodturning #189](#).

Remember Guy's immortal words, "*Some days you get the skew; some days the skew gets you*".



Fan pull drilled blank mounted on lathe



# SHOW & TELL

## AAW Club Project



### Show & Tell:

Philip D & Bill J brought in stools, Pen & screwdriver by Bruce R, bowl by Dick H, Needle case by Betsy M. No one else filled out the "Show & Tell" questionnaires so... maybe next time. Show & Tell photos, where are they?

**Wood Used:** Poplar, oak, mulberry



### Meeting Vibrations

Woodcraft is packing up for the move next Wednesday, May 27, into the trucks

Thursday, out of the trucks by Friday and Saturday open for business at the new store at Broad & Gaston. We wish them good weather & lots of luck with the move.

The club has purchased new video equipment: 2 monitors, handy cam, DVD-R, 2 speakers and 3 mini cams. Still needed is the cables.

Barbara D. has the website up and running. Check it out, every week she adds something else. Guy C. has volunteered to help her with the more difficult things like members only & gallery photos. Guy will also look into pricing for a portable photo setup with lights so we can have more professional looking "show&tell" photos for the newsletter & gallery.

Lee is waiting for a return email from J. Fisher about the possible 4-H turning at camp this summer.

The members have requested a change in the club name & Lee is looking into it with AAW. He will get back to the board later.

*Segmented Turner* provided the club with a slide show of their progress with the club's AAW project. They hope to have it finished & mailed to NM by June 19. Nothing from the *Pen SIG*.

Penny Mace will give a demo of duck carving & feather burning to the JR Carvers on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of June at Woodcraft.



## Officers for 2009

President:	Lee Scarbrough (804-520-1745) <a href="mailto:franlee1@verizon.net">franlee1@verizon.net</a>
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**Dues:** \$25 individual, \$35 family & \$15 student. Member applications are available upon request at meetings or via email.

**Library:** Contact the club librarian to borrow tapes and other publications related to woodturning, for only \$2. Loose it and you bought it

**AAW Membership:** Dues are \$45 per year. For this, you receive 4 issues of "The American Woodturner" (a \$30+ value), a great resource directory (over 450 pages), a huge annual symposium, personal grant opportunities, third party liability protection, and much more. If you are the least bit serious about woodturning, you can't afford to miss out on all this.

## VA / AAW News

**AAW Banner**- We have two colorful and eye catching AAW banners. The local chapter banner is 3 feet long and the AAW symposium banner is 8 feet long. These can be borrowed for public events like woodworking shows. We would ask that the postage be covered by your local chapter. The local chapter banner is available for local chapters to purchase or the computer file for the banner can be sent to you to customize and print. Please [contact the office](#) if you are interested.

**New AAW Logo items**- We have added two items to our AAW logo products, a short sleeve denim shirt and a royal blue hooded sweatshirt..

**Call for Volunteer** - AAW is developing a marketing plan to cover all aspects of our organization. We are looking for someone with expertise and experience in the marketing field. Please forward this message on to your local chapter members and have them contact [Mary Lacer](#).

**Contact Information** - For your local chapter events or topics of interest please send information to: [Dale Larson](#) or [Linda Ferber](#)

## News Flash

<http://www.nytimes.com/2009/05/24/magazine/24labor-t.html>

It is an article titled, "**The Case for Working With Your Hands**" by Mr. Mathew Crawford. Mr. Crawford has a Ph.D., in political philosophy from the University of Chicago, and now owns his own motorcycle repair business here in Richmond. Good article. Brad

**Sid & Penny** spent some time at JC Campbell Folk School learning more about Pizza ovens. Pizza for the club picnic?

**Guy** is looking for demonstrators for the next few months. If he doesn't get any, he has threatened to do them himself. Help us please.

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## FOR SALE, BUY, or TRADE

Ray Deyo offers a 10% discount on non-power tools and supplies on meeting nights at Woodcraft for members only. Another very good reason to join us every month!

### FOR SALE

Jet JWL-1442VS lathe, 14 in. swing over bed, 42 in. capacity between centers, variable speed drive with eight speeds ranging from 450 to 3000 RPM . Included are, 3 & 6 in. faceplates, 12 in. tool rest, knock-out bar, drive center, revolving center, wooden shelf at bottom of lathe. Purchased new in Feb. 09, asking \$1050 or best offer. Contact: *Dee Nuckols*

804-749-3400 [nuckolss@aol.com](mailto:nuckolss@aol.com)

### New Store Front



An Other Lost Opportunity to sell that unwanted stuff you have been keeping around that packed shop for years. Give to the club and be gone with it. Or advertised it here and maybe make some money to buy new stuff at Woodcraft's new store at the corner of Gaskins & West Broad St. in the old Circuit City Plaza shopping center.