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Richmond Woodturners always welcomes new members!

We will be meeting May 19th at Woodcraft.

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Richmond Woodturners Officers for 2004

President: Jim Bumpas (804) 526-2873

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Richmond Woodturners Dues:

\$25 individual, \$35 family & \$15 student. Member applications are available upon request at meetings or via email.

Future Meeting Dates: (Most Always the Third Thursday) June 16th, July 21st, August 18th

AAW Membership:

Dues are \$40 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.

Library: See Joe Daniels to borrow tapes and other publications related to woodturning, for only a modest deposit or donation to the club, if you like. A reference list of available material will be forthcoming in the near future.

Ray Devo has extended a 10% discount on nonpower tools and supplies on meeting nights at Woodcraft to members only. Another very good reason to join!

Meeting Notes (4-21-05)

Welcome first time guests V.S.Bakhshi, Bill Woodson & Philip Duffy.

Announcements:

- Taking new orders for turning smocks. The cost is \$35. Please see Gene or Jim for your order.
- We still have T-Shirts available for Richmond Woodturners and Virginia Woodturners. Both are fine looking! See Gene Milstead for your pick.
- Be sure to register for the Overland Park, Kansas Symposium July 22 – 24. To get all necessary information great symposium, http://www.woodturner.org/sym/sym2005 Registration can be done 4 different ways: Online until July 2nd. After that it can be done at the door. There are registration forms in the

Spring AAW Journal to be mailed in. One can register by calling the AAW office at 651-484-9094. To register a youth for free, a registration form for the youth must be done through the AAW office. Only those youth that are properly registered through the office will be allowed in the symposium and be eligible for the drawing for the JET mini lathes, chucks, and tool sets. Call the office for the registration form.

- Check out our new website at http://www.richmondwoodturners.org.
- **Irene Grafert** has accepted an invitation to do an all day demonstration on Saturday, June 18th, 2005 at Woodcraft. Visit her website at http://www.woodturndeco.com
- Our involvement with the 4H club is in the making as was evident by the presentation at our last meeting. Good things start out small and slow and will grow as the program matures. We look forward to the relationships our involvement with 4H is sure to bring.

WOODCRAFT 2005 Annual Turning Competition:

The turning competition was a great success with more entries this year than last. Be sure to check out many of the items still on display while at our meeting. Or better yet stop by for a visit. Be sure to thank Ray and his staff for supporting the craft with such a nice event.

Reminder - Fine Craft show in Purcellville, VA

We have been invited to show and sell our work at a fine art and fine craft show in Purcellville, VA. Artists may share a booth if that would make it easier to participate. Outdoor one-day Fine Art Show and Sale, ARTS IN THE ALLEY will be held July 16, 11-5, in Purcellville, Virginia. No commission taken. All fine craft and art media are accepted including, but not limited to: painting, photography, sculpture, fiber, mixed media, metal, wood, furniture, clay or glass. Fee: \$25 for three digital images. Applications will be evaluated received. Apply http://www.loudounsbest.com/art by June 15, 2005, or send SASE to Arts in the Alley '05, PO Box 479, Purcellville, VA 20134-0479. To learn about Purcellville, see http://www.purcellvilleva.com/ Presented by local artists and art supporters in association with Main Street Purcellville and the Purcellville Business Association.

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Classified:

Heavy duty glass shelving. Sizes 3/8", 8"x24" (11@\$4ea), 10"x36" (37@\$6ea), 10"x45" (16@8\$ea). Proceeds go to the club. Contact Lee Scarbrough at 804-520-1745 or email to Franlee1@verizon.net for more information.

Turning Challenge Schedule:

In an effort to demonstrate what we have learned at our meetings the turning challenge the following month will always include items made in accordance with the previous meetings demo and/or items for the current challenge.

May – A drum or a sphere from lessons learned last month. June -

Program Schedule:

- May: Matt Birchfield is scheduled to be our guest demonstrator on May 19. He will turn a talking drum. His demo will start sharply at 7:00 and will run for the full 2 hours. He is the President of the Blue Ridge Mountain Woodturners and has demonstrated nationally. He was a featured demonstrator at the 2004 Virginia Woodturners Symposium. He writes: "I've been woodturning since a "fortunate layoff" in the summer of 2000. My interest in turning began because I couldn't afford to buy the drums that I wanted and thought that I'd able to make them myself with a homemade lathe and scrapers. One thing led to another and now I've got the addiction/affliction we all know and love. While I do a lot of architectural turning and even more turning for fun, my income comes from being a Quality and Logistics Manager for a medical imaging equipment refurbisher."
- Bring your challenge items for display only. All displays will be entered in a drawing for a prize.
- We will raffle some nice pieces of burl and a piece of black and white ebony donated by Phil Eng

TOTALLY TURNING 2005 will be held in the Empire State Plaza Convention Center in Albany, NY on October 15 and 16. Featured presenters will Stuart Batty, Nick Cook, and Andi Wolfe. Complete information related to the symposium is available on the symposium website WWW.TOTALLYTURNING.COM



Three Nice Eggs



More Than a Bakers Dozen



A Little Touch of Color



A Nice Form With A Great Finish

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Natural Edge Bowl



Nice Shallow Bowl

Tee It Up





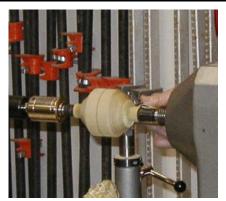
A Very Nice Vessel Woven Pine Needle Edge



Sid With The Sphere Blank Mounted



Establishing Center Lines and Offsets



Trimming it Up

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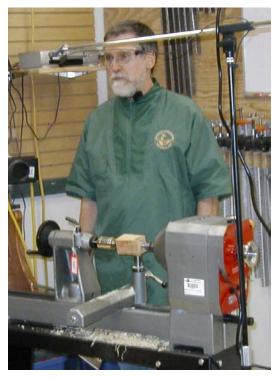




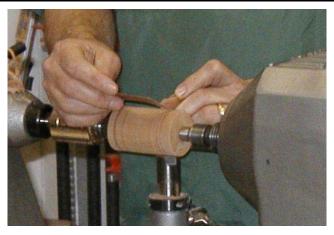
Jig to Hold the Sphere for Completion



The Final Product



Jim with the Egg Blank Mounted



Laying Out the Egg with Use of a Template



Roughing Out The Egg



Jig Made of Plastic Pipe For Mounting the Egg for Finishing