

February 07



Next Meeting:

@Woodcraft, the third Thursday of every month

February 15, 2007

Turning Challenge Schedule:

February: Inside out Turning

March: Hollow form

April: Bottle Stoppers

May: Shop-made tool

June:

Program Schedule:

February: Tom Crabb –Hollow form with bias-turned spout

March: Lee Scarbrough—Bottle Stoppers

Lyle Jamieson 17-18

April: Myron Curtis— Making your own tools

May: Dug Campbell—The only useful lathe tool

New Members:

Don Hayes

P. O. Box 104, Studley, 23162

Visitors:

George and Susan Cook, Robert Schott (and family), David Talley, Larry Redd, Dave Keitz, Doug & Louise Finkel (former member ~1998), Scott Martin, Clint Sinkway

Richmond Woodturner's Newsletter

Turning Nemo by Sid Mace

Sid has this thing for fishy stuff. Could it be because he lives near the water? According to him, making the chucks to hold the fish wood is the hardest part.

Chucks: He used $\frac{3}{4} \times 1 \frac{1}{2}$ inch wood, so 2 pieces makes $1 \frac{1}{2}$ square. You will need 2 chucks (head & tail). & 2" square blocks of wood; drill a $1 \frac{1}{2}$ " hole, square up the sides of the hole. Mount them; turn them round to fit into some PVC pipe sections. PVC will protect the chucks from nicks and makes them last longer.

1. Mount the **two fish** wood into the chucks; you want a tight fit (use sandpaper shims to achieve this fit). Round up the stock. The head & tail's small diameter = radius $+1/4$ " or 1 inch for the demo. Any smaller and you might be making flying fish.

2. Switch so the turned parts now face inwards. Make it round again.

3. Cut in the tail & nose; be sure they line up with the other cuts. You're finished when the sides come together & the fishes back/belly edges are sharp.

4. Drill the eyes before cutting off the square ends. Cut out the tail and flatten it on the belt sander.

5. **Four fish** wood still equals a square, but the small diameter equals the diagonal $+ 3/16$ " or for the demo $1 \frac{1}{4}$ ". Turn it round and cut in for the tail & nose.

6. Mark the inside ends of the blocks and turn them so all the marks are on the outside. Finish turning. Drill the eyes with help from a V-block. Bandsaw the tails & flatten them with a belt sander. [Continued page2]



LYLE JAMIESON WORKSHOPS Lyle will be driving through our state the middle of March, 2007. He is available to do ONE-ON-ONE individual turning instruction in your shop, with your tools, to advance your skills by trouble shooting your process and tool control. Even though Lyle is well known for his advanced uses of the hollowing system and laser measuring techniques, he also instructs foundations for beginners and intermediate turners. Lyle's teaching covers from A to Z for every skill level. He helps the beginner have more fun at the lathe and challenges the advanced. If you are interested in taking your turning to the next level call Lyle directly to check out his schedule and fee options. Lyle's philosophy is to do it the easy way and take the stress out of turning. Have even more fun and increase the enjoyment of your time at the lathe. Lyle Jamieson, 231-947-2348 www.lylejamieson.com 285 Lauri-Wil Lane, Traverse City, Michigan 49686 231-947-2348 ar785@tcnet.org

Announcements:

Library Needs:

The club library is in need of upgraded materials. Many of our tapes are older copies. If you have original Videos, DVD's, books, etc, please consider donating them to the club library. Please be cognizant of copyright laws.

Coming Soon:

Lyle Jamieson will be here March 17-18. That is Saturday & Sunday following our regular meeting time (March 15). His topic is "Wood turning A-Z".

Jane Ross Francis Wagner passed away at Henrico Doctors' Hospital on Monday, January 15, 2007. Mrs. Wagner, a longtime Richmond resident, is survived by her husband, **Karl Wagner**, a woodturner club member.

VCU WOOD with Doug Finkle

Doug Finkle (and wife Louise) from VCU Art Department came for a visit. He started out teaching furniture design/construction and with a new grant has started a turning curriculum. VCU is only the second university in the USA to offer this. He has many visiting, well known turners coming to demonstrate and we are invited to join them. Doug hopes to partner with the club and Woodcraft for mutual benefits. Visitors are welcome Monday or Wednesday 2-8 PM (turning class time) at W. Broad St. (building with the arch), 2nd floor. Parking is easier after 5 PM.

March 19-21 Meryll Saylan will be demonstrating at VCU.

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7. **Two Squirts** (look like flat worms to me) are made the same way. Rough it out and make a long taper tail on one end (Radius or less if you're feeling lucky).

8. Reverse the wood. Round it up and make a long tapered tail on the other end.

9. These are called inside/out turnings and as Barbara Dill so excitedly said they are also multi-axis turnings.

OK, Sid, the challenge has been made. We want Squids next or maybe a big fish wearing one of your wooden cowboy hats.



Turning & Passing of the Gavel. Mike Lane found out his first job as the new president was to turn a gavel and present it to the past president, Jim Bumpas. He used a pattern from a current *WOOD* and made it in walnut.



Woodworking Expo in Gray, TN. Mar 10, 2007. The Tri-cities woodturning Chapter in Johnson City TN is participating along with the wood carvers in a woodworking expo sponsored by Woodcraft and we would like to let the chapters in TN, NC, GA, VA and KY know about it. There will be all day woodworking demonstrations and seminars, Vendors booths brought in by Woodcraft, woodwork sales, and a woodturning contest with \$375 worth of prizes for turners, as well as \$750 worth of prizes for woodcarvings. The entry fee for the contest is \$20.00 and that allows you to enter up to 5 entries in each of 26 categories within your division. For more information contact- Woodcarvers connection, 803 Carroll Creek Rd, Johnson City, TN 37601, Sharon (423) 282-5092 BWHETSELL@earthlink.net

Free Wood For Club Members

Went up to Phil English's shop today and brought back some nice ambrosia maple and cherry log sections. The ambrosia is probably 10" dia and the cherry is approx 15-16". The logs are roughly 12-14" long. It was brought to Phil's place by Danny Roberts, State Forester who works with us on the cooperative 4H project. The wood is located at Andy's house which is off of Hopkins Road. If you are interested, contact Andy (ahammer@comcast.net).

The **Yankee Woodturning Symposium**, scheduled for **June 1-3, 2007** at Wesleyan University in Middletown, CT, promises to be an exciting event. We have an outstanding lineup of nationally and internationally known demonstrators who will be ably complemented by talented local turners. Featured demonstrators include: *Jimmy Clewes, Michael Hosaluk, Jean-Francois Escoulen, Bob Rasand, Graeme Priddle, Johannes Michelsen, Mark Sfirri, Beth Ireland, Mark St. Leger, and Angelo Iafrate*. There will be demonstrations for turners at all levels of skill and experience. We are planning to include a Youth/Novice room where young people will have the opportunity to try their hand at woodturning. We are signing up vendors for the Trade Show and are organizing a raffle/silent auction, an Instant Gallery, and evening events. Log onto our website at www.yankeewoodturningsymposium.org where you can find more specifics about the Symposium and download a registration form to return and reserve a space for you. The website will be regularly updated as more information becomes available. We will also be mailing you a packet of flyers for the Symposium which we ask you to share with your club members. If the mailing address listed for your club in the AAW Directory is not current, please send me an updated version. Thank you for your interest, and we hope to see many of you there in June. Frank White Secretary, Yankee Woodturners Assoc.



Tom Crabb Special; Come to the meeting to see how he does it

Ruth Niles **stainless steel bottle stoppers** only \$5 each, Lots of 5 only. Lee S. is getting together an order. Bring cash to the meeting or call 804-520-1745H. Don't miss this deal.

GAW ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM

Sept 14-16, 2007

The Georgia Association of Woodturners (GAW) will be presenting its annual symposium, *Turning Southern Style XIII*. This years event will again be held at the Unicoi State Park and Lodge near Helen, GA. This years featured turners include: **Stuart Mortimer** lives in England with his wife. He is a retired police inspector who became a proficient hobby turner before his retirement in 1989. Stuart is a self taught turner, winner of many national awards and has built up an international reputation. He is a writer, teacher, and demonstrator. His work is hand crafted on and off a lathe using hand held electrical powered tools as well as traditional carving tools. He started spiral work in the mid 1980 to decorate a wide range of work from twisted miniature goblets, candle sticks, bowls, boxes, hollow forms, artistic and other decorative works. **Michael Mocho** lives in New Mexico. He is a professional woodworker and instructor with over 30 years of experience in contract turning, furniture making, carving, millwork, sculpture, prototype development, and stringed musical instruments. He is known for his intricate containers that often combine bent wood with turned components. Michael is a highly sought after teacher and demonstrator. He is the winner of many national awards and has participated in numerous juried and invitational exhibitions. **Michael Hosaluk** lives in Canada and is recognized as one of the world's most creative woodturners. In 2004, he was awarded the Saskatchewan Lieutenant Governor's Award for Innovation in the Arts. He is a member of the Royal Canadian Academy of Arts and an Honorary Lifetime Member of the Saskatchewan Crafts Council. Michael was active on the Steering and Advisory Committees of the Furniture Society. Since 1982, he has been the coordinator of the biennial International Wood Furniture/Turning Conference. Michael work has been exhibited throughout Canada, the US, England, Germany and Japan. The **instant gallery** will return as a favorite and we invite each participant to display up to four pieces of his/her work for all to enjoy. As always, the *vendor area* will be well stocked with tools, wood, and all other woodturning related supplies and equipment. *Saturday Night Dinner and Auction*. New for this year, prior to our auction, there will be a banquet dinner on Saturday evening. As always, all proceeds from the auction support continuing education in woodturning through our scholarship program. The **cost** to register for this event is as follows: Single prior to 8/1/07 \$140 (includes banquet dinner) Single beginning 8/1/07, \$165 (includes banquet dinner). Family prior to 8/1/07, \$160 (includes 1 banquet dinner). Refunds for cancellations will be given up to Sept 1, 2007. Registration is limited to 200, so act quickly. **For more information Please visit our website at www.gawoodturner.org. Or contact: Harvey Meyer, Symposium Chairman, The Georgia Association of Woodturners 770 671-1080, him1951@bellsouth.net**

Challenge

Woods used: Box elder, magnolia, red cedar, sycamore, holly, cherry, oak burl, big leaf maple, walnut

Prize: XXL T-Shirt

Next Month's prize: leather turning smock donated by Woodcraft.



Officers for 2007

President:	Mike Lane 932-5149 lanemb@cox.net
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Past President Board Members:	Jim Bumpas Dan Luttrell

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 a modest deposit or donation to the club, if you like. A reference list of available material will be forthcoming in the near future.

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.

AAW: The AAW **2007** Symposium is scheduled for June 29 – July 1n Portland, OR. <http://www.woodturner.org/sym/sym2007>

The AAW **2008** Symposium is scheduled for RICHMOND, VA. All clubs within a 100 mile radius will be asked to help a lot.

BOARD MEETING: Mike Lane held his first board meeting in New Kent, Feb 8, 2007. Matt's *treasurer's report* indicated we have \$1400+ on hand and more to transfer from last year's officer. It was decided to get a club charter based on other clubs from the AAW (Danny will help). With this in mind, the board voted to add secretary duties to the newspaper editor's position. All this is necessary to pursue tax exempt statue. Jim promises a final report on the *4-H project and AAW grant*. He hopes this summer camp will bring more youth turners, but with the Spotsylvania extension position empty only time will tell. We received a bill of \$100+ from our *web site* server. Guy is looking into a free server and has offered to help Michelle update our web site. *2008 AAW Symposium:* Guy got a website, aawsymposium2008.org for free. As the host(?) club for the symposium, AAW has been in contact with Danny L., Tom C. & Phil E. for volunteer help. More requests will be forthcoming as 2008 gets closer. We are in need of a Club turning project for this event. All ideas are welcome; pass them on to Tom, the appointed design chairman. *Product Order:* Lee S - Bottle stoppers; Jim P – shirts; Sand paper –open; CA Glue – open. *Challenge's prizes:* we hope to announce the prizes in the newsletter before hand in order to increase participation. Harry has offered a day in his shop again. *Fund raisers:* Thoughts were expressed about raffles and selling turned objects to people outside the club. This was put on hold until we find out the limits of tax exempt statue. Board also voted to make the library rental \$1 per item and if you loose it, you will pay replacement value. Board also requested a list of available materials be made. *Addition Meeting Times:* Open turning night, data sharing and shop nights were discuss. It was left for discussion with the full club membership. With the club growing, it was felt that at some future time we might need to locate a larger meeting place . Meeting Adjourned

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!