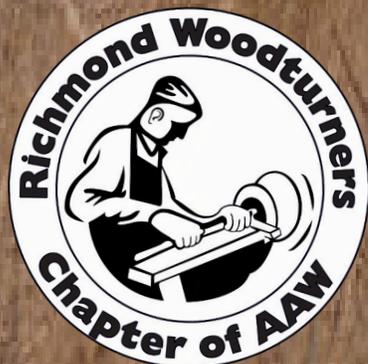


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FEATURE

Merry Christmas



**PEACE ON EARTH
AND GOOD WILL TO
ALL MEN**

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PROMOTE
WOODTURNING AS AN
ART FORM WITHIN THE
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Christmas Party - Last Call

The deadline for the club Christmas Party has passed but if your schedule has changed so that you now can attend let John Daniel know. He likely can squeeze a few more in. You can reach John at jwdaniel@me.com.



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President's Corner

The end of another year....and from RWT's perspective, a great year! As the year began, we were grappling with how to increase 'in-person' attendance at monthly meetings and we've done that. Maybe not as high a percentage as we'd like to see, but we get about 40 members a month, which makes for a good meeting. I credit an easing of Covid concerns, Turners Talk, and having programs that are interesting -and make shavings, for the improvement. Most attendees are showing up for Turners talk, which speaks well for the excellent presentations/discussions members have led. Programs led by members have also been some of our best attended and most interesting. November's meeting's outstanding Turners Talk presented by Chuck Bajnai and the Turn-a-thon that followed the business meeting are perfect examples.

Each month we seem to be adding a new member or 2, which is great! New members are the lifeblood of a club like ours. Let's keep the momentum going.

We've added to and upgraded our lathes this year with the donation of Bruce Robbin's Laguna lathe and the purchase of our new Powermatic 3520C. Let's put them to good use.

And let's not forget to thank Woodcraft (Kelli and Ed!) for their continued support. We would not be where we are as a club without their generous support.

Enjoy the Holiday Party! I'll miss it this year but will be thinking of you from Iceland!

Thanks for listening.

Steve

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To all members,

In November each year we start collecting dues for the next year (2024). The Board for the Richmond Woodturners, has decided to keep the dues the same as last year. You can:

1- Give check or cash to either Chuck Bajnai or Cody Walker at the next meeting(s).

2-Mail a check to Cody Walker at 19375 Vontay Rd, Maidens VA 23102

3- pay your dues using paypal on our website:
<https://www.richmondwoodturners.org/membership.shtml>

Dues are \$35 /single member \$45 / family if paying by cash or check (make payable to - Richmond Woodturners). Using paypal dues are \$36 / single member or \$46 / family.

Thanks for your continued interest and participation in Richmond Woodturners.

Chuck Bajnai, Membership Director

804-301-4600

Newsletter Pictures

Pictures from the newsletter are available in a JPEG format upon request to all members. Send request to RWTnewsletter@gmail.com

PLEASE BRING AND WEAR YOUR BADGE TO THE MEETING!

If you didn't sign up and want one, please contact Chuck Horton (hortoncharles876@gmail.com). They are free to members.

December Program

The December meeting will be our annual Christmas party. This year the party will be held at St. Giles Presbyterian Church dining hall, 5200 Grove Ave. (About 5 or 6 blocks east of Libbie Ave.) We will have a short business meeting with Show & Tell and quarterly Challenge presentations. Look for some fun surprises. See you there at 6:00. Please remember to wear your name badges.

Treasurer's Report

Previous Balance (11/1/2023)	\$17,353.51
Income	472.91
Expense	106.21
New Balance (12/1/2023)	\$13,720.27

Join meeting Via Zoom

Please note: There will be no Zoom for this meeting

Be sure to check your email each month for the sign in information to join the meeting with Zoom. If for some reason it is not in your in box, simply refer back to a previous invitation for the information which remains the same from month to month.

Zoom link will be active starting at about 6:15 PM on the evening of the meeting.

Quarterly Challenges

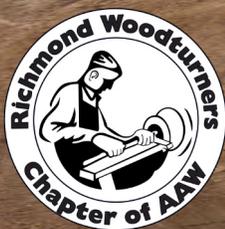
4th quarter 2023- turn a Christmas ornament

1st quarter 2024- turn wood and some other material

2nd quarter 2024- bowls with handles

3rd quarter 2024- bowl or vessel accented with texture

4th quarter 2024- turn an item to wear



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Turner's Talk

Mentoring & Skills Development Workshop



The workshop meets at 5:30 PM at Woodcraft and have a time to talk turning. Come on in and let's talk shop. Last month Chuck Bajnai discussed color in finishing

Future topics

January- Steve Kellner on spalted wood

February- Ray Deyo on hollow forms

March- John Daniel on sanding

Woodcraft Guidelines for our Meetings

Woodcraft graciously provides a space for the club to meet. The store closes at 7:00 PM and they have an employee stay until our meeting ends. They have requested that we:

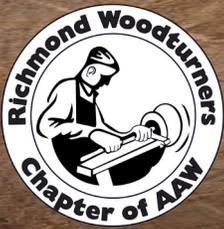
- 1- Do not wander around the store after they close. Do all your purchases prior to the 7:00 PM closing time.
- 2- Stay in the meeting area until the meeting is over and we are ready to leave. If you do have to leave prior to the end of the meeting, please arrange that with the Woodcraft representative ahead of time.
- 3- That we all leave at the same time, taking all visiting outside the store, so the representative can lock up and leave.

Future Demonstrations

December – Christmas Party

January - Jacque Vesery discussing design

February- Dan Currier discussing photography



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November Program

The November program consisted of four lathes demonstrating turning Christmas ornaments



Thank you Dan Currier for taking pictures at the November meeting.



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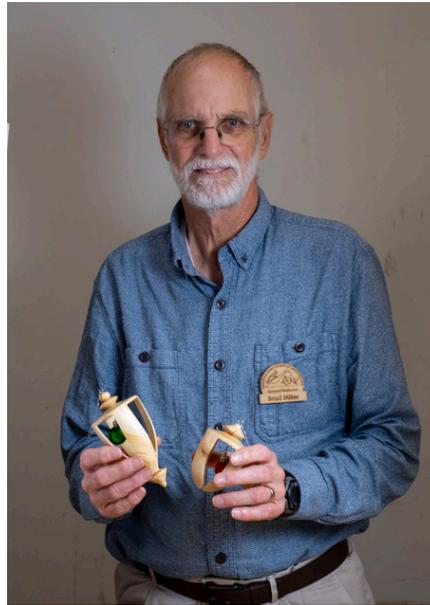
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November Show & Tell presentations

Chuck Horton



Brad Miller



Chuck Bajnai



Cody Walker



Kevin Fitzpatrick



Dan Luttrell





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Scott Synnott



Mac Derry



Steve Kellner



John Daniel



Ray Deyo





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December Show and Tell

Dan Luttrell



Church Hill Elm. This limb was approximately 75 years old. 12" dia x 5" tall natural edge finished with a combination of mineral oil and beeswax.

Chuck Horton

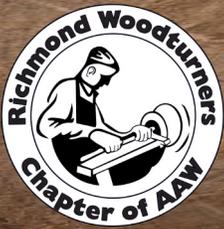


Various inside out Christmas ornaments

Steve Kellner



Sycamore bowl: 11" x 5", with Pewa and Kepa-kepa repairs finished with pure linseed oil. Turned this bowl from a piece of Sycamore with a number of cracks and other defects. I thought I had turned to the final shape before adding Pewa and kepa-kepa repairs. After sitting in the shop for a few months, I decided to turn again. I turned away a little too much of some of the repairs and replaced one Pewa but left the rest since they looked OK.



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Chuck Bajnai



Poplar, dyed finished with satin lacquer.



Virginia bowl: poplar, dyed with semi gloss lacquer, wood burned logo.

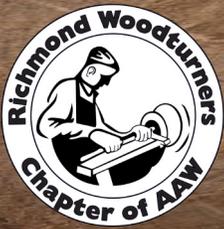
John Daniel



Spalted Cherry 5" x 10" . Textured on top with pyro tool



Sycamore from neighborhood. 4 1/2 x 10". Finished in Mahoney's Walnut oil. This was requested by owner of tree that came down.



4th Quarter Challenge

Dan Luttrell



Blue bird on skewer. Bamboo and wormy maple.



Snowy evergreens. Hard maple.

Steve Kellner



Smaller ornament with red top (last meeting demo piece), 3"x 5" and larger 4"x 6.5". Both are colored with Trans-tint dye and finished with spray lacquer. Need to work on my colorization!





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Kevin Fitzpatrick



Walnut 7.5"x1.5". Inside out.
Finished with ten coats of
Shellac.

Roy Lewis



Inspired by the November
meeting.
Cedar with shellac and paste
wax finish.

Chuck Bajnai



*Poplar, dyed, each has a different
lacquer finish- gloss or satin.*

Ray Deyo



Amboyna Burl
and Blackwood
tree ornament - 7"



Terry Stephens



Last month club meeting there was the demonstrations on Christmas ornaments. I was interested in the ones that Steve Kellner did. I started there. I want to think it was a piece of cherry and finial are made out of Holly. This was a true challenge to me, is finished with Mahoneys, walnut oil and three coats of spray shellac.

Larry Yancey



The red ornament is all ash with the body stained red and the finials finished with lacquer

The blue ornament body is made from a piece of colored stablized wood I purchased at the NC symposium. The finials are blood wood. All finished with lacquer





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John Daniel



Lanterns- Walnut and Cherry Waxed finish
Timed tea lights inside.

Cody Walker



Small ornament turned, hollowed,
painted and textured embellishment.

Chuck Horton



This my version of an ornament
recently demonstrated by Emma
Cook for Record power. The
ball is 4" dia, the finial and cap
are Bradford pear. Rice lights
are available on Amazon



Tips and Tricks



Do you ever need a specific size set of chuck jaws for that special project, and just don't have them in your arsenal? Remember, you have a wood lathe and it's easy to make round things, like bushings!

Dan Luttrell



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NOTICE FOR FOR SALE AND WANT TO PURCHASE ITEMS

Ads for “For Sale” and “Want to purchase items” can run for multiple months, but unless you contact and request that it run again it will be deleted after the month they are shown. Please let me know if you have any questions about this.

Used turning tools. Too many to list. Categories include bowl and spindle gouges, parting tools, skewers, hollowing tools, scrapers, and “specialty” items. Let me know your interests and I’ll bring a selection of those to the next meeting. \$25.00

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2023 Officers and Committees

President – Steve Kellner
Vice President – Dave Bushman
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Membership Director – Chuck Bajnai
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Resource Director – Stan VanDruff
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Newsletter Director- Larry Yancey
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Audio/Video – Jared Parker
Social Media – Vacant
AAW Women in Turning Liaison – Meg Turner

A very special thank you to Izumi Miller for her contribution to this newsletter. She proof reads it and makes valued suggestions on ways to make it more readable. Also thank you to Dan Currier for the photos of the November meeting.

From the Editor

MEETINGS- Meetings are on the 3rd Thursday of the month at Woodcraft. 5:30- 6:15 PM, Turners Talk , 6:30-7:15 PM business meeting, 7:15-8:30 PM program. If you are attending via Zoom, you may log in at any time after 6:15 PM.

TURNER’S TALK- For those who have knowledge to share and those who have questions. A time to exchange ideas and knowledge. Also just a time to talk shop.

SHOW AND TELL- Email pictures of your work to the newsletter editor at rwtnewsletter@gmail.com for publication in the newsletter and for the presentation used for the meeting. Submissions to rwtnewsletter@gmail.com will automatically be forwarded to Steve Kellner. The deadline for submission of show and tell items to be included in the newsletter is one week prior to the meeting by 5:00 PM

Facebook Group

This Facebook group was created to provide a platform for our members to share project photos, to ask questions and, generally, to carry on the dialogs in which we so often engage during our monthly meetings.
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/832886010074989/>.

Club Membership dues

Individual—\$35, Family (must reside at the same address) —\$45, Student (under 19 years)—\$15. For more details, please visit the website at www.richmondwoodturners.org and go to the membership tab.



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AAW



American Association of Woodturners is a nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing the art and craft of woodturning worldwide through education. With more than 16,000 members and over 365 local chapters globally, AAW members include amateurs, hobbyists, professionals, gallery owners, collectors, tool and equipment suppliers, and others.

AAW wants to help you enrich your woodturning experience and pursue your aspirations wherever you are on your woodturning journey. We invite you to learn and grow with us and become part of the special community that is woodturning. They provide an almost limitless amount of resources: written articles, videos, and a yearly national symposium. Check them out at www.woodturner.org. Consider joining today.



Sponsors and Friends of the Club

Organizations such as the Richmond Woodturners, Richmond Penturners, and James River Woodcarvers would not exist if it weren't for the kindness of their sponsors. We are blessed and grateful to have the Richmond Virginia Woodcraft store supporting us and our activities. Members get a 10% discount on meeting

nights for most turning related items.

Please remember this and support them at every opportunity! For the classes provided at this location see:

www.woodcraft.com/stores/richmond/classes

Look for classes taught by Ray Deyo, Clark Brummett, Brian Noble-Marx and others.