



CENTRAL OHIO WOODTURNERS



September 2004

Notes from the president

The summer was pretty busy for our club with one or two events scheduled each month. Our open shop tours were enjoyable and gave us a chance to visit with one another, and to learn a few things as well. The club picnic on July 17th was not only a blast, but we turned more than 100 pens for the Freedom Pen project.

Many thanks to Barb Crockett for opening her shop and home to us for this fun day.

We also had good participation for the Ohio State Fair demonstration, and I'd like to thank Craig Wright for organizing this event. Our club is successful because we have so many members who are willing to volunteer their time when we need help. As always, I encourage all of you to volunteer your time to the club whenever an opportunity arises. The next such opportunity will be a demonstration day at Woodcraft on September 15th. We'll have several lathes going all day, with at least one dedicated to pen making for the Freedom Pen project. There will be a sign-up sheet going around during the September club meeting.

Speaking of helping your club, we need volunteers to help run each month's meeting. During the September meeting we will have a sign-up sheet for each of the monthly tasks (e.g., coffee making, set-up, clean-up, refreshment duty, AV-assistant). If a couple of dozen volunteers would tackle just one task for one of the monthly meetings, we'd have everything covered and the officers wouldn't experience the burn-out syndrome that sometimes drives them from office after just a short term. We have about 150 members in our club. However, most of the club duties are done by half a dozen volunteers. We need you(!) to keep our club running smoothly.

Barbara Crockett has graciously accepted the position of program director for the club, and has arranged for us to have some interesting programs this year. Bill Tippery has also accepted the position of newsletter editor. We are always looking for volunteers to serve on the steering committee. Please let me know if you'd like to serve your club in this capacity.

Many of us attended woodturning symposia over the summer. We had nine members present at the AAW symposium in Orlando in July, including Walt Betley, Barbara Crockett, Jim Burrowes, Richard Ruehle, Robert Ruehle, Tom Vanderhoff, Ed Miller, Fred Kimes, and yours truly. Despite the heat and humidity going on outside, the convention center at the Caribe Royale was cool and comfortable. The demonstrations were excellent as was the trade show and instant gallery. I think we all came home with lighter wallets and new toys and wood. The AAW auction on Saturday night was pretty exciting, too, with one of the turnings I donated (a collaboration between Mike Mahoney and me) raising \$2700 for the educational grant fund.

Chuck Kemp, Walt Betley, Phil Johnson, Ed Miller and I also attended the Utah Woodturning Symposium in Provo in June. I was a demonstrator for this symposium, which happened to be the 25th anniversary of the symposium – the longest-running woodturning symposium in the world. To help celebrate the anniversary, the Brigham Young University Art Museum hosted a special exhibit called, "Beneath the Bark – 25 Years of Woodturning," which featured works from 140 artists who have demonstrated at the symposium since its beginning.

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A full-color book was also published featuring all of the turnings in the exhibit, plus other turnings that were submitted in the jurying process. I was fortunate to have two turnings included in the exhibit, and I enjoyed the book signing at the museum. My hand held up very well during the three hour signing marathon, but my cheek muscles sure hurt from smiling so much during the evening. What a thrill to be in the company of such woodturning legends as Dale Nish, David Ellsworth, J. Paul Fennell, and Richard Raffan! It was like attending a big family reunion, and I especially enjoyed watching my friends from South Africa (Mike Kaplan and Grant Marshall) demonstrate at the symposium. We also had several members participating in a show at the High Road Gallery in Worthington during June and July. Thanks to Blair Davis for organizing this for the club.

We have a wonderful year planned for the club, including three all-day demonstrations and hands-on classes from well-known turners. Stuart Batty will visit our club in November, Alan Lacer in January, and Bonnie Klein in April. Each of these turners is an excellent teacher and demonstrator, and I hope to see big turnouts for each of their visits with us. In addition to these special demonstrations, we have a great year of programs lined up for our Tuesday night meetings. Thanks, Barbara!

I'm very sorry to miss the first club meeting of the year, but I will be doing my field season in South Africa from Sept 7 – Oct 1. I'll be sure to think of you as I'm collecting plants in the sand dunes along the coast of South Africa (hey, somebody has to do this work . . .). See you in October!

COW Picnic Pictures



← A little relaxation

A little conversation →

then....



Down to the serious fun – turning pens for the Freedom Pen Project.





←Even the kids
joined in.

With a little
“adult”
supervision→



All for a good cause – The Freedom Pen Project!



Thank you for
helping us turn
←this into
this→



May 2004 Secretary's Report

73 members in attendance

Tip opened the meeting three new members; had a one visitor from Tokyo, Japan. Floyd then took over the meeting for the election of new officers. The new slate was elected unanimously. Andi took over the meeting and summarized the weekend event with David Ellsworth. Ron Damon graciously donated his facility for the weekend and Floyd donated the wood for the event. The club officers present a hollow form from the demo to Ron and the natural edge piece to Floyd. The new officers circulated a survey to help determine the direction in the next year. Tip had an announcement about the Ohio State Fair event, the date is just being in selected and there will be an announcement later. Blair circulated a signup sheet for the July High Road Gallery exhibit. Several members are planning on attending the Orlando Symposium and the Utah Symposium. Tonight Walt will be demonstrating weed pots and Andi will be demonstrating texturing. Dave talked about the symposium collaboration project. Jerry Beall is going to help us with our 2005 project and some of it will be using CNC turning. We will have three summer workshop tours, Jerry Beall in June, July 17th we are going to have the summer picnic at Barb's we are going to work on the Freedom Pen project. Open house a Woodcraft September 18th, August Walt Betley and Andi will have an open house.

Treasurer's Report

I hope everyone had a wonderful time turning this summer at the open shops and at the Ohio State Fair. Our current balance in the checking account is \$3814.00.

The income from the demo and hands-on classes with David Ellsworth was \$2670 (plus 8 turned pens). The expenses were \$2934.27 (this included airfare, food, wood, and David's fee). This resulted in a loss of \$264.27.

Please remember to sign up for the turning demo at Woodcraft on September 18th.

Bring your projects to the show and tell held at all the membership meetings!

You don't need to have created a masterpiece of woodturning to bring one or two of your projects to the meetings. We truly enjoy seeing what you have created and talking to you about it. So join in... please.

Here are some examples of member's projects:



COW Monogrammed Hats and Shirts

At the September meeting there will be order forms available for monogrammed hats and shirts. The costs for the items are:

Hat	\$15.00	Long Sleeve Tee	\$20.00
Tee Shirt	\$17.00	Long Sleeve Denim	\$30.00
Polo Shirt	\$30.00		

For large sizes you need to add the following amounts to the prices.

2XL \$1.00 3XL \$2.00 4XL \$3.00

We will have sample shirts for your inspection at the meeting.

Workshop Visits



During the summer we got to visit several of the club member's workshops where we got to meet the turners, see where they work, and got to meet their "toys" up close and personal.

I only have photos from the last two visits.

Club Schedule for 2004

Club Meetings for 2004-2005:

September 14, 2004 – Main Program – **From Tree to Treasures.**

How to cut turning blanks from wood using the chain and band saws.

October 12, 2004 - Main Program – **Holiday Gifts That Can Be Made In About An Hour**

How to make inverse ornaments, bottle stoppers, pens, and items from alternative materials will be featured from four demonstration stations.

November 9, 2004 – Main Program – **The Finishing Touch**

How to apply a variety of finishes to beautify and protect your turnings.

December 14, 2004 – Main Program - **Ballz! Accurate Turning of Spheres, Eggs, Etc.**

Demonstrators will turn spheroids using both free-hand techniques and jigs.

January 11, 2005 – Main Program – **New Year's Resolutions For A Safe Shop**

Ideas and tips and new products on how to keep a fun hobby safe.

February 8, 2005 – Main Program – **Glues Clues**

What adhesives to stick with and when. Covers a variety of materials and applications.

March 8, 2005 – Main Program – **March Madness – it doesn't necessarily have to be round, or.. straight!**

Multi-axis turning and highlights from Arrowmont.

April 12, 2005 – Main Program – **Trash or Treasure? COW member tools and wood sale/swap.**

A good old-fashioned in-house yard sale. Bring woodturning tools and materials to trade or sell.

May 10, 2005 – Main Program – Surface Enhancement, From Coverup to Art!

An overview of innovative ideas on texturing, coloring, and otherwise sprucing up your turnings.

June ? – Stand buy for a special announcement!

Club activities for 2004-2005:

Sep 18, 2004 - demonstration at Woodcraft

Nov. 11, 2004 - Freedom Pen turning nationwide at Woodcraft stores.

Nov. 13-15, 2004 - Stuart Batty demonstration and hands-on classes

Jan. 7-9, 2005 – Alan Lacer demonstration and hands-on classes

April 2005 – Dates TBA – Bonnie Klein demonstration and hands-on classes

Gallery exhibits for club members:

Sept 15 – Oct 16: Andi Wolfe, The American Art Company, Tacoma, WA (NW Invitational exhibit of woodturned art)

Nov. 1 – 30: Andi Wolfe, solo exhibit at Douglas-Baker Gallery in Minneapolis, MN

Classes and demonstrations by club members:

Oct 8-10 – Club members, including Bill Tippery, will be doing turning demonstration during Woodcraft Days at Woodcraft.

Oct 14 – Walt Berchak teaches “Pens, Pens, Pens” a beginning level turning class at Woodcraft

Oct 14 – 19 – Andi Wolfe’s tour of San Francisco Bay Area (three club demos and a hands-on class)

Oct 30-31 – Andi Wolfe visits Minnesota Association of Woodturners (demo and hands-on class)

Oct 31 – Jim Baumgardner teaches “Turning Simple Christmas Ornaments” a beginning level turning class at Woodcraft

Dec 4 – Andi Wolfe teaches “Surface Enhancement Techniques For Christmas Ornaments” a beginning to intermediate level turning class at Woodcraft

Dec 9 – Walt Berchak teaches “An Elegant Christmas Gift Pen” a beginning to intermediate level turning class at Woodcraft

Dec 18 – Jim Burrowes teaches “Fun Projects On The Lathe” a beginning to intermediate level turning class at Woodcraft

Dec 28 & 30 – Jim Baumgardner teaches “Parent & Child Pen Turning” a pairs beginning level Turning class at Woodcraft

CLUB NOTES

Rockler is located at 2500 E. Main St., Columbus (Bexley). Phone: 614-231-0061

Just show you membership card from the Central Ohio Woodturners and receive a 15% discount on everything except power tools. Stop in and pickup a copy of the fall/winter demonstration schedule.

Woodcraft is located at 4562 Cemetery Road, Hilliard. Phone: 614-527-7594

We continue to offer a wide variety of class listings, which our customers can find in our WOODCRAFT FLYERS and in our IN-STORE HANDOUTS. Our class information can also be found under the WOODCRAFT SITE on the Internet. Just look us up under www.woodcraft.com (stores - Columbus or Hilliard - classes).

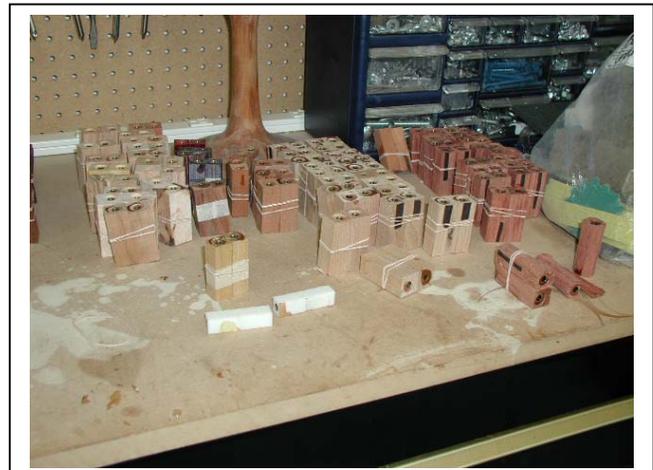
Woodwerks is located at 1181 Claycraft Road, Columbus, OH 43230 Phone: 614-575-2400.



My thanks to all those who contributed pictures. If I didn't use yours it was due to my lack of talent – not yours! Please keep sending them as I am NOT a photographer.

Bill Tippery

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<http://CentralOhioWoodturners.org>

Woodworkers of Central Ohio (WOCO)

<http://www.wocoweb.com/>

American Association of Woodturners (AAW)

<http://www.woodturner.org/>

Western Cape Woodturners Association

<http://www.angelfire.com/ct/wcwa/index.html>

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