

**May 2012 Newsletter
Central Ohio Woodturners**

Next and final meeting before Fall.

May 8th @ OSU

Ag Engineering—Small Engine Shop

Starting early - 6:00

Bring your own Chair, this is a picnic too!



**April Guest Demonstrator
Mark St. Leger**



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Message from the President

Hello everyone!

It is 40 degrees outside and threatening frost; I can't believe that spring is here but that is weather in Ohio. This cool damp weather made my grass grow a foot overnight!!! Maybe I should invest in some goats, but I don't even like picking up after the dog.

Our May meeting will be at OSU in the Ag Engineering building on Tuesday, 8 May. We will meet in the Small Engine shop in the back, two doors down from the Woodshop. We will hold the entire meeting there because we will be cooking under the overhang outside. The easiest way to get there is to use the north entrance to the building (entrance at the rear of the parking lot closest to Lane Ave.) Walk straight down the hall and you will run into the engine shop. We plan to start a little early, around 6:00, so that people can eat and we then will get to the rest of the business.

We will be having our traditional cook out; hot dogs, beans, chips, potato salad, and drink. Please bring your own chairs as there is limited seating in the classroom. I plan to have the meeting outside, under the overhang, if the weather cooperates. There will be no President's Challenge and no Show and Tell due to the limited table space.

We will be having the auction of the pieces donated by the guest turners over the past year as well as a silent auction. Money from these will be put in the club treasury. Additionally, we will have space for "swap" items if you have some things that you want to try and sell/swap. We have an auctioneer to help with the bidding on the guest turner pieces, so bring your money. If you have items for the silent auction or items for the swap table, you can go around the building and drop them off at the caged area then go back and park in the lot; remember it is a \$50 parking fine if you don't find a meter to fill and get a pass.

In addition to other business we will be having our election of officers for next year. You will have one last opportunity to nominate someone for an office (he/she must be present to accept/decline) and we will vote. The current slate of candidates is Paul Courtright for President; Dennis DeVendra for Vice President; Nelson Meyer for Secretary, and Jeff Gerken for Treasurer.

Our April meeting was an excellent demonstration by Mark St. Leger at Wood Werks. He made a small lidded box after giving classes all day on Sunday and Monday; an excellent piece you'll see at auction. We had eight people take the classes and all learned and had fun. Mark is an exceptional turner and an excellent teacher with a great sense of humor. Those of you who missed him missed a real treat.

Message from the President, continued

We are coming to the close of the yearly meetings which means we will not have an official gathering until September. Over the summer we have several activities planned but at present don't have firm dates. Summer activities include open shops at J.R. Beall's, Rod Buchanan's and Mike Sorge's.

Additionally, the club will be helping the OSU Ag Department with a turning session or two for some students, similar to last year. We plan on turning pens and/or maybe a small goblet. The COW will be demonstrating at the State Fair on Saturday and Sunday, 4 and 5 Aug., so mark your calendar and come watch. If you want to volunteer to demonstrate, you must be an AAW member for insurance purposes. See me, call me, or send me an email; I'm looking for volunteers. Stay close to your emails over the summer for updates on dates and times of these activities.

It has been a short two years as president and I would like to thank all that have helped make the club function. Without the support of many people, much of what you see at the meetings would not take place. Thank you all for your support and I ask you to continue your support of the new officers.

See you at the meeting on 8 May.
Bruce



Summer 2012, Youth Turning Sessions!

Please see the three page document being sent out with the May Newsletter for information on the Youth Turning program. If you know kids, help turn them onto turning!

~ Chuck Kemp (via Leslie Nielsen, editor)

Improve your skills with Mentoring!

April session notes!

If you are anticipating a mentoring section for the month of May, we are sorry to disappoint you. The last mentoring section was held at Wood Craft on April 21. At that mentoring section we learned a great deal from Chuck Kemp and Bruce Kerns. Both demonstrated bowl turning (natural edge style as well as dry and green wood).

It was an outstanding demonstration with valuable teaching points. We had quite a turnout with a crowd of students and onlookers picking up techniques and asking questions about bowl turning.

On behalf of the Central Ohio Woodturners, we would like to extend our thanks and appreciation to Wood Craft and Wood Werks and all of their staff for hosting this year's mentoring classes.

As the summer months are around the corner and you are enjoying your outdoor activities (picnics and BBQ's) don't forget about the open shops that will be held throughout the summer.

Watch your e-mail for more details on upcoming open shops. In addition, if you come across questions, topics or something that peaks your interest that you would like to see next year in our mentoring sessions, please contact one of the club officers or Paul Courtright at Courtright.23@osu.edu or by phone 740-363-6042.

Thanks! Paul

Central Ohio Woodturners Steering Committee meeting

Tuesday, April 24, 2012 7:00 at Wood Craft

Present at meeting: Bruce Kerns, Dennis DeVendra, Nancy Kerns, Chuck Kemp, John Herrel, Mark Boyd, Jim Baumgardner, Paul Courtright, Walt Betley

Business:

Waived the reading of the minutes

Jeff could not attend. Nancy said that Mark St Leger cost about \$1568 and since we had about \$5000 last month there should be around \$3500 in the bank.

May 8th meeting—6:00 at AG Engineering in the back area; not the main meeting room

- Since the meeting will be in the back area it will be closer for people if they park on the left side of the parking lot and go in the door at the left corner of the parking lot.
- Everyone should bring their own chair
- Paul will arrange for 6 tables from OSU and Bruce will bring 3
- Silent Auction—this will be for items donated to the club. If you have any items, such as wood, you would like to donate, please bring it for the auction. There will be slips and table space available. If an item does not sell you will need to take it back home as the club has no place to store anything.
- Auction of demo items—auctioneer Jim Brown will be conducting the auction. Pictures of the demo items will be included in the newsletter. Steering committee members may donate for the auction if they want. Nancy will contact Jim to find out if he needs a microphone.
- Swap meet—members can bring woodturning items they want to sell or trade. Table space will be provided. People are responsible for their own items.
- Cookout—OSU is providing the grill and bodies to do the cooking. There will be hotdogs, beans, potato salad, chips, dessert and drinks. Club is providing everything. Bruce and Nancy will take care getting the food.
- Election of new Officers—slate being presented: President-Paul Courtright; Vice-President-Dennis DeVendra; Secretary-Nelson

Meyer; Treasurer-Jeff Gerken There will be paper available if someone is nominated from the floor.

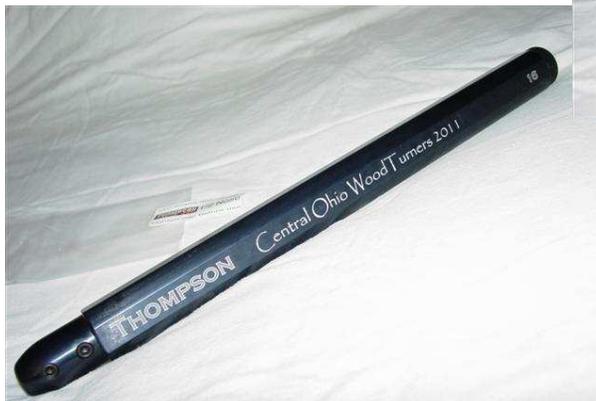
- Volunteer recognition
- Open Shops-Mike and Cindy Sorge—June; Rod Buchanan-July; JR Beall-July or August More details will be sent out as the dates are firmed up.
- Newsletter-All information must be to Leslie by Saturday, April 28th. Please CC: Bruce on everything in case Leslie is out of town. This will be the last newsletter until Fall.
- Mentoring-there will be no mentoring until September
- OSU has requested that the club teach the basic turning class again this year. The class would begin at 4:00 with 3 lathes. Since there are 15 students it will either need to be done in 2 parts or limit the project to a pen like last year. Chuck offered to assist with the class. Several dates in May are being considered.
- Ohio State Fair-the club will be demonstrating in the Creative Arts building (near 17th avenue) this year instead of the Fine arts building. Dates are August 4th and 5th from 10:00 to 6:00. Plan is for 3 lathes with 2 volunteers splitting the day on each lathe. Some parking and fair passes will be provided by the fair. Club members must be AAW members in order to demonstrate due to liability insurance coverage. Contact Bruce bkerns@insight.rr.com if you would like to volunteer.
- Youth Turning-Chuck has not set the dates yet, but should have them for the newsletter. Plan is to try 3 evenings; Monday, Wednesday, Thursday; of a single week instead of Saturdays. Hopefully, the turnout will be better for the classes.

Nancy

Pictures from April Meeting Demo



Partial Photo Gallery of May Auction Items—Don't forget the Swap Meet also!





More Auction items!!



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`Leslie