



AS THE WOOD TURNS INTERNET VERSION



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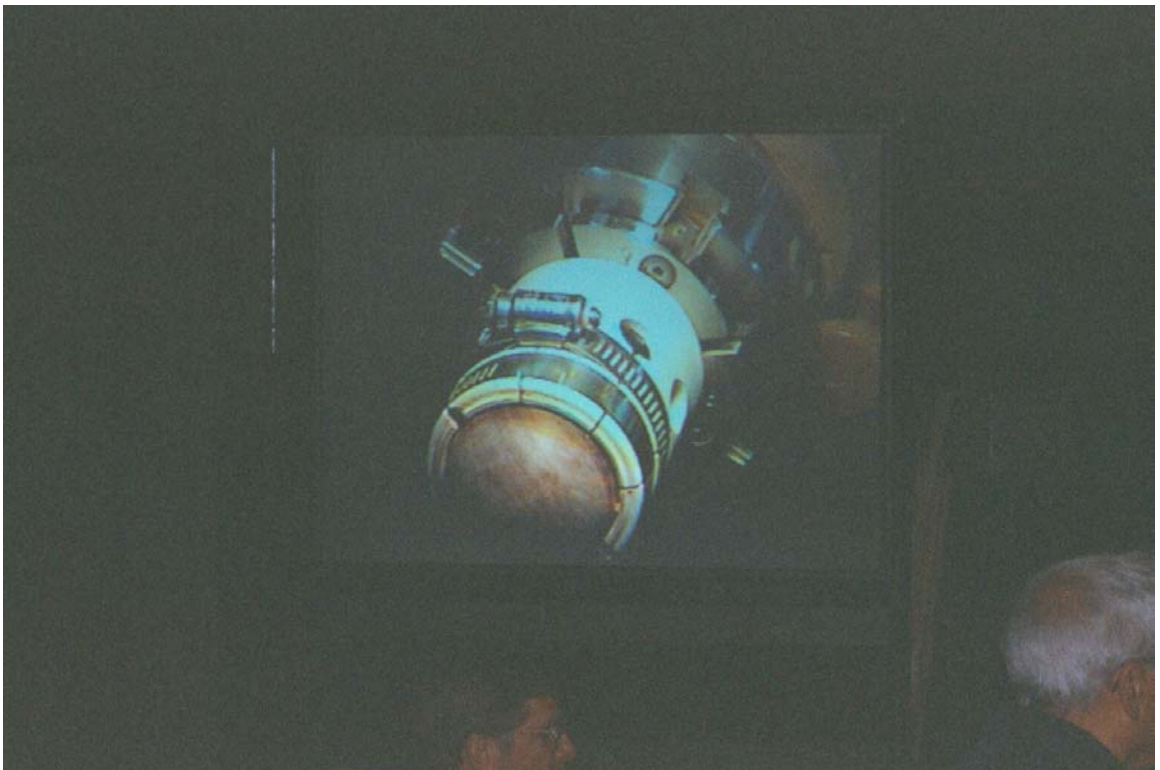
Feb Meeting Note's

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CWTC Meeting 7 PM 2nd Tuesday at
Woodcraft Supply Store, 1280 E. Dundee Rd, Palatine IL
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Dick Sing Demonstrates "Wooden Egg Turning"



Curls From the President's Platter

*by
Paul Shotola*

If you are one of the three or four Woodturners in the Western Hemisphere who did NOT attend the February meeting, you missed a good one. What a huge turnout! At 7:00 pm, all of the chairs were filled, and folks were still arriving. We made good use of the PA and Video systems. It's a real thrill to be involved with a group that can generate this kind of turnout.

I had a bunch of news to share with all of you that evening, and although I tried to cover everything, a couple of items slipped through the cracks.

Our Demo by Trent Bosch on May 5th will be no charge to CWT members. Now, how I missed announcing a FREE event is beyond my comprehension, but there it is. Trent is one of those turners with imagination to spare, and the technical skill to bring his ideas to life. You don't want to miss this demo. In fact, Carol Floate has lined up a stellar group of demos this year, and she's not done yet! Carol has done an outstanding job of getting commitments from these turners, coordinating their travel schedules, stroking their egos, and making sure that they give you, the members, your money's worth. Attendance at any of the demos currently scheduled will inform and inspire you. Invest a Saturday, and become a better turner.

Regarding the AAW Collaborative Challenge, the consensus is that there is just not enough time between now and the end of June to put together a project that is worthy of the Chicago Woodturners' name. The rules for the 2003 Challenge should be published around next October, and at that point, we should hit the ground running, and come up with a project that makes everyone's jaw drop. We can do this. As I have said before, we have the skill, imagination and resources to present a first-class project, and we will.

At the February meeting, Paul Pycik announced the first of what we hope are many Educational Grants. This is modeled after the AAW grant program, in that the funds can be used for any educational endeavor you, the recipient, feel appropriate. If you are interested in receiving a CWT Educational Grant, simply buy a raffle ticket or two. You can't win if you don't play! Grant recipients should be prepared to pass their newfound knowledge on to the rest of the club. Paul Pycik and Don McCloskey have more details in this newsletter.

Another great thing happened at the February meeting. I convinced Marie Anderson to volunteer for a project! While her busy schedule had made her reluctant to take on any new responsibilities, when confronted in public, she came through as the valued member of our club that we know her to be (This public confrontation system also worked on Harris, not once, but twice!). Marie is now the point person for anyone exhibiting, demonstrating, teaching, or

otherwise furthering our art. She has volunteered to make certain that information on your project will get to our Newsletter Editor and our Webmaster in a ready to use, fun and informative fashion. Thanks, Marie.

I also want to thank Mike Malloy, your new Raffle Guru. You saw him in action at the last meeting, with about 30 seconds of training from George, and I'm certain he will do a top-notch job of running your raffle. Make sure Mike knows about any of your contacts and leads on raffle donors, and he'll take it from there.

Speaking of the raffle, March will feature a turned egg, donated by Dick Sing, who demonstrated the process at the last meeting. Dick made it look easy, but we know that ease comes from practice and study. Another egg-citing (sorry, Bruce, I couldn't help myself) item on the raffle table will be a beautifully pierced duck egg that was donated to the club at the December holiday meeting. It's truly a work of art, so show up early, buy lots of tickets, and support your club. The March meeting will also feature an auction (not a raffle) of a signed Michael Hosaluk piece in madrone burl, paper thin and delicate. Michael turned this at a CWT demo, and donated it to our club. You can start, or expand, your wood art collection at the March meeting with an original work by one of the most original in the business.

The March meeting promises to be another fast paced affair, with more news, more gallery, raffle, auction and demo action. I can't wait. Hope to see all of you there.

Paul Shotola

The Members Gallery is a separate area of this website.

George the Tool Man

Book Review
Woodturning Wizardry
By David Springett

Do you need a little challenge in your woodturning life? If you think you do, I have the book for you! *Woodturning Wizardry* is full of challenges, this may be way beyond the skills of most turners, but then you should always work a little beyond your skill. You must push your limits or go stale.

David Springett covers 20 or so different projects from the very complicated to the ridiculously complicated. Chinese Balls, Singapore Balls, Spiked Star in a Cube and Captive Cube in a Sphere, are just a few of the projects featured.

Pick this book up at the next meeting and start to aggravate your self now.

2 copies available 232 pages

Book Review
Projects for the Mini Lathe
By Dick Sing

Our own Dick Sing does it again! "Projects for the Mini Lathe" is his new book, which is just out.

After watching Dick do demonstrations over the past few years, I know one thing for sure, If it's a Dick Sing project its worth watching.

This book is worth picking up when small projects is your next goal. Bolo ties, Clip magnets, Earrings, Switches Knobs and Brushes are covered in this full color book.

If you have tons of interesting scraps of interesting wood around your shop this book will show you some great projects to use them up.

Pick this book up at the next meeting, or better yet go out and buy yourself a copy for your library. 64 pages

George The Tool Tzar.

Demonstrators for January-June 2002

January 8	Don Ray Draper	TurningSomething Special
February 12	Dick Sing	Turned Wood Eggs
March 12	Glenn Mc Murray	Eccentric Turning
April 9	Gary Hubbard	Turned Winged Bowl
May 14	Steve Sinner	Enhancements/Metal Images
June 11	Marie Anderson	Turned Miniatures

See Paul Prycik to sign up to be a demonstrator.

WEEKEND MASTER TURNER DEMO SCHEDULE

Mike Mahoney	Saturday	March 23 (tentative)
Betty Scrapino	Saturday	April 13
Trent Bosh	Sunday	May 5
Jean-Francois Escolen	Sunday	July 28
Bonnie Klein	Saturday	September 28
Allan Batty	To be determined	

Minutes of the Feb. 12, 2002 C.W.T. Meeting

It's not easy being green according to Kermit the Frog. Some of our Members found that out at Tuesday's meeting. It seems there were some nametags printed on bright green labels to indicate that 2002 dues had not been paid. (Better green than scarlet) Paul Shotola opened the meeting with the standard announcements.

The C.W.T. website is up and running. Many thanks to Joan Nolan and all the others who helped make this possible. There will be lots of information on the site so be ready to supply some input. Paul Pycsik explained an educational grant of \$300.00 which C.W.T. will provide by way of a raffle. Tickets for the grant raffle will be the same price as tickets for our monthly raffle. Tickets for the grant raffle will be sold at the March, April and May meetings. The drawing will be at the May meeting. The winner may use the \$300.00 for classes, or new tools, etc., but the winner will be expected to share with the club what he or she has learned from the experience.

Mike Malloy is our new raffle 'chairman. A company that sells wood turning supplies has asked for our club mailing list. Members agreed to exchanging our mailing list for items that can be used on our raffle table. Harris Barbier gave the membership report. As of today we have 119 paid up members for 2002. There were many guests at the meeting and a few of them took out memberships at the meeting. The volunteer cleanup sheet was a circulated and 3 members volunteered to clean up after tonight's meeting. Wayne Bernahl gave the Treasurer's report. George Watestraat showed a new book, which Dick Sing has donated, to the club library. Carole Floate gave a rundown of turners who will be doing the all-day workshops for the club. The lineup includes: Mike Mahoney on March 23rd, Betty Scarpino on April 13, Trent Bosch on May 5th, Alan Batty in June. She also has Escoulan on tap, as well as Bonnie Klien, who will be here September 28th. Carole has been very busy, as you can see, even if her soulmate (Bill) thinks she sits around all day, eating chocolate bon bons and reading the latest Martha Stewart magazine. Dan and Marie Anderson have an exhibit at the Rolling Meadows Library from now until the end of March. Carole Floate is exhibiting at Roosevelt University in Schaumburg during the same time frame. Glenn McMurray will give a mentoring session, Sat. March 16. His subject is the eccentric chuck. Members are encouraged to bring off-center turnings for display. Steve Sinner will mentor the day of the March meeting (March 12) from 4:00 -6:00 p.m. Club members willing to mentor new members will be identified on the membership list. Dick Sing will be teaching at the John Campbell School in Brasstown, No. Carolina in the coming week. Darrell Rader brought in a Mike Hosaluk turning (potato chip bowl) which will be auctioned at the March meeting. The raffle was held and one very lucky member went home with the Steve Sinner vase that Steve so generously donated to the club. Bill Floate did the critique. There were lots of great turnings on the table and Bill did his usual comedic comments. It's been rumored that Bill stays awake at night thinking of clever things to say the next day. And speaking of comics, Dick Sing did the demo and provided some funny stories along with his turning. He showed us EGGS-ACTLY how he turns wooden eggs and explained the fixture he made to hold the egg in place on the lathe. The beautiful finished turning will be on the raffle table at the March meeting.

Marie Hunter