



AS THE WOOD TURNS

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November demonstrator Alice Call Working with Corian and Other Acrylics



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“Empty Bowls”

Turn a Bowl and Bring to November Meeting.
A charity organization to fund local food banks.

Details on how you can be involved inside this issue. See page 8

**CWT Meeting 7 PM
2nd Tuesday
Woodcraft Supply Store
1280 E. Dundee Rd,
Palatine IL
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Nominations for Club Officers

will be entertained at the November meeting.

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The official newsletter of the Chicago Woodturners Club (CWTC) is published monthly by and for its membership. Membership in the AAW is encouraged but not mandatory. Dues in the AAW are \$40 per year for an individual.

Member's Gallery



Tom Sashko evaluates and comments on the members gallery.



Andy Kuby
Walnut Bowl



Bob Hartnett
Ash Vase



Bob Hartnett
Madrone Weed Pot



Dennis Sullivan
Palm Turning



Gary Rotramel
Big Leaf Maple Bowl



Gary Rotramel
Cherry Scoop



Duard Oxford
Aborvada Bush Goblets



John Devitt
Maple Goblets



Bill Brown
Butternut Bowl



Bill Brown
Walnut Maple Enhance-
ment Bowl



Bill Brown
Walnut Bowl



Bill Brown
Walnut Bowl Wood-Burned
Rim

Member's Gallery



Binh Pho/ Bonnie Klein
Collaborative Top



Paul Shotola
Natural Edge Cherry
Bowl



Paul Shotola
Segmented Walnut Bowl



Peter Buchmiller
Cherry-Walnut
Myrtle Burl-Birch
Ornaments



Peter Buchmiller
Zebrawood-White Oak
Box Elder-Walnut
Ornaments



Lloyd Beckman
Walnut Box Closed



Lloyd Beckman
Walnut Box Open



Lloyd Beckman
Walnut Platter

Current Membership 203*Andy Kuby**Membership Chairman***We had 71 members at the
October meeting****New members: Jeff Moy, Barrington, IL . Donn Hamm, Mundelein, IL
Marty Knapp, Fox River Grove, IL****Visitors: Gregg L. Zureck, Roselle, IL. Gary Castino, Cary, IL
Adam Farmer, Carol Stream, IL**

Curls from the President's Platter

November, 2006



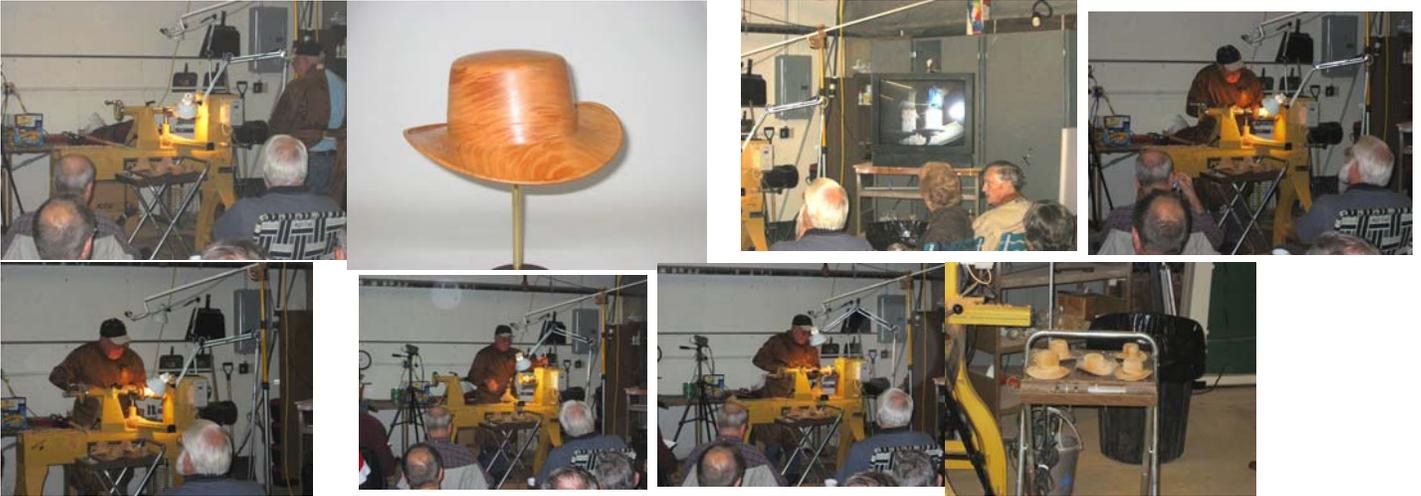
I'm writing this in October, but I'm thinking ahead to December. That's right, the holidays are upon us already. In October, time seems to compress, with events and schedule deadlines arriving sooner than we have time to plan for them. But plan we must, and schedules need to be met. So, as 2007 rapidly approaches, let's take a look at the Chicago Woodturner's schedule, and try to keep on track. Ready? OK, big breath, here we go:

- The end of the calendar year means that elections for your Board members have arrived. Nominations for the positions of Vice-President and Treasurer will be entertained at our November meeting, with elections held at the December meeting. As a reminder, Board member terms are two years, with election of the President and Secretary held on opposite years from the VP and Treasurer. If you have a nomination for the Board (and it can be yourself, feel free to throw your hat in the ring), speak up in November and nominate the person you feel most qualified for the office.
- The Empty Bowls Project (<http://www.emptybowls.net/>) will be held December 2, 2006, sponsored by the Ceramics Club at Oakland Community College in Des Plaines. This charitable organization helps to fund local food banks for the less fortunate. The Chicago Woodturners have been invited to help this group in their endeavors. There are five ways you can personally help this worthwhile charity achieve their goals.
 - Donate finished bowls (4-7" dia.) with a food-safe finish to be sold at the event.
 - If you want some assistance in turning a bowl, there are five mentors available for weekend turning sessions at Woodcraft to complete small bowls for donation. This is a perfect opportunity for our newer turners to spend some quality time at the lathe with hands-on help from a mentor. As a learning opportunity, this can't be beat. All skill levels are welcome.
 - Donate a rough-turned, seasoned bowl for the mentoring sessions. Just drop them off at Woodcraft.
 - Want to lead a mentoring session? Great! Contact me for details, we'll work with your schedule.
 - Finally, you can donate a turned piece for the silent auction. Large, small, plain or fancy, the Empty Bowls organizers appreciate your contribution, in any form.
- Our meeting in December has traditionally been a social get-together, with great food, some entertainment, a little more food, a relaxed gallery of turnings, some cookies, some door prizes, and maybe a snack to close out the evening. 2006 promises to deliver on all those points, with some special attention to the food. Make plans now to attend on December 12 for an evening of camaraderie, election of Officers, some door prizes and my favorite part: the food.
- Membership renewal time is here, and to help your Board provide you with the best possible club experience, renewal (and new membership) applications will be accompanied by a short survey of your interests. See the Membership area of this issue for more details.

Look for more information on these and other events and projects at the meetings, on the website and via email. I'll try to keep you informed and on schedule. Until November, keep your calendar updated, turn lots, and please turn safely.

Paul Shotola

Lloyd Beckman Turning Miniature Hats Our October Demonstration



Sculptural Objects and Functional Art

SOFA Chicago

Navy Pier, November 10 through 12, 2006

SOFA is a showcase for art galleries worldwide to display their wares and introduce the artists. This year, the CWT, in conjunction with the Collectors of Wood Art, will present 21 demonstrations by turning artists presented by galleries exhibiting at SOFA. The list of demonstrators includes such artists as David Nittman, Binh Pho, John Jordan, Don Derry, Christian Burchard, Steve Sinner, J. Paul Fennell and more.

If you would like to volunteer your assistance at the show, contact Phil Brooks or Carole Floate.

Freedom Pens Project

“Show your support for our sons and daughters who proudly serve their country. Freedom Pens needs you to get involved and help fund, produce and ship custom handwriting pens to our Military Servicemen and Women serving in the Middle East. More than just saying thank you or “I support our Troops”, show them you care and have some fun making Freedom Pens with your friends and family!”

The Woodcraft Store in Palatine will be hosting a pen turning session for the Freedom Pens Project on November 11, 2006. Hours are 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Woodcraft will supply the prepared pen blanks and lathes. Bring you basic turning tools and join your friends and neighbors at a turning session for a good cause. If you are unable to attend at Woodcraft, you can still participate. Donations of pen blanks (drilled and prepped or not) and finished pens can be dropped off at Woodcraft anytime. Take a look at the Freedom Pens website for more information on how you can be involved.

[Www.realtymarketing.com/freedompens/](http://www.realtymarketing.com/freedompens/)

Meeting Minutes 10/10/06

Paul Shotola opened the meeting with the monthly disclosure & safety statements. He then introduced our Host, Tom Fortney, Woodcraft Manager. Tom thanked Darrell Rader for his turning demonstration at the store this past weekend.

Phil Brooks was recognized for his outstanding service in organizing the booth at The Woodworking Show in Villa Park. Phil thanked everyone who helped.

Tom Sashko gave the Treasurer's Report. We are solvent.

Paul Shotola introduced Bob Fernstrom as our new librarian. Volunteers for assistants to Bob should contact him directly.

Chuck Young reviewed the newest features of the website.

Marie Anderson reported that several members have discussed the idea of a regional symposium. A hands up vote showed that there was sufficient support from the attending members to go forward and investigate the feasibility of this symposium. A sign up sheet was passed around.

A short amount of time was devoted to suggestions for the 2007 collaborative challenge for the AAW symposium in Portland, OR.

Paul Shotola discussed the Empty Bowls Project hosted by Oakton Community College on December 2, 2006. Paul suggested mentoring sessions over the next month should focus on turning bowls for this project. He asked for volunteers to spearhead this.

Steve Sinner announced that he has a smaller size boring bar available for purchase for anyone who may be interested.

Binh Pho announced the guest demonstrators for next year. The schedule will be in the next newsletter.

S.O.F.A. is November 9 -12 at Navy Pier: Binh Pho requested help in the Demo area, contact Phil Brooks; Phil requested help on Tuesday, Nov. 6th to move all the equipment to Navy Pier. Carole Floate passed around a sign up sheet requesting help for the Collectors of Wood Art booth. Contact Phil or Carole.

Carole Floate addressed the club sending her thanks to all for their thoughts and prayers. Membership Chairman Andy Kuby noted we had 201 members prior to this meeting and 3 more joined tonight. We also had 3 visitors. He welcomed one and all.

Paul Shotola announced that Woodcraft is once again sponsoring the "Freedom Pens Project" November 11, 2006.

Members were reminded that AAW memberships are now up for renewal and you should have received both the renewal and a voting ballot in the mail.

Raffle was held. Gallery critiqued. Demonstration followed by Lloyd Beckman.

Respectfully submitted by substitute scribe, Marie Anderson

Nominations for Club Officers

At our November meeting, we will entertain nominations to the CWT Board for the positions of Vice President and Treasurer. All of your officers serve two year terms, with the election of Vice President and Treasurer alternating annually with the election of President and Secretary. Your club by-laws were written this way to balance the need for continuity in leadership with the desire for new, fresh input on your board of directors. Your club by-laws require that nominations for board positions be presented at the November meeting, with elections taking place at the December meeting. This year, the November meeting will be on November 14, and the December meeting will be on December 12. All members in attendance on November 14 will have an opportunity to nominate the candidate of their choice and all members in attendance on December 12 will be able to vote for their candidate of choice.

Your board members serve out of a desire to make your membership in the CWT more fulfilling, and they are truly your representatives. Your input is essential to ensure that the Chicago Woodturners is a club that provides the programs that you support, that you enjoy, and that you find to be fulfilling. Should you, or a member you know wish to be considered for a Board position, please ask to be nominated at the November meeting.

Membership News

To help your Board plan future events and activities that truly reflect your interests, membership renewals and new applications will be accompanied by a short survey. The survey is designed to help us shape the future of your club. Take a moment to fill out the questionnaire, and feel free to add any additional comments, suggestions or ideas that will make your membership in the CWT more fun, educational and fulfilling.

Renewal forms will be available at the November meetings. If you are unable to attend in November, your renewal form will be mailed to you. Note: if you are renewing your membership at the November meeting, please pay by check, as it makes the bookkeeping much easier.

Have You Moved

Have you moved? Changed your phone or email address? If so, contact your Membership Chairman Andy Kuby for updates: It's important that we keep our information up-to-date.

The CWT occasionally makes our mailing list available to companies that contribute to our raffle. These companies have agreed not to resell or redistribute this information. If you do NOT wish to be included on this mailing list, just let Andy know, and your information will not be sent out to Raffle contributors. We all value our privacy, and the CWT will respect yours.

Woodworking Show 2006 The Odeum In Villa Park, IL



Thank You Phil Brooks and all CWT members

Past President's Challenge for January, 2007

- Challenge subject: "Salt and Pepper"
- Rules: no rules, just be inspired by the subject.
- One entry per person, please.
- Cash prizes, winners determined by popular vote
Judging at our January meeting

Empty Bowls

Saturday, December 2, 10:30 a. m. - 2 p. m.

Choose from many handcrafted bowls generously donated by professional potters, local schools, and others in the community. Then join in a simple meal of soup and bread, as a reminder of those in need worldwide. The bowl is yours to keep!

Sponsored by the Ceramics Club

Donation: \$10

For information, contact emptybowls@oakton.edu, or call 847-635-1699

To donate turned bowls contact Don McCloskey for information or bring your bowls to the November club meeting.

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2007 Guest Demonstrator Schedule

Binh Pho has arranged a great schedule of demonstrators for 2007. All of these demonstrators are internationally known for their expertise as turners, artists and educators. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend these exciting, educational and entertaining demonstrations.

Jimmy Clewes: Teacher and demonstrator from England.

- *Hands-on class: January 25-26.*
- *Club demonstration: January 27.*

Mark St. Leger: AAW demonstrator and artist from Virginia.

- *Club demonstration: March 11.*
- *Hands-on class: March 12-13*

Michael Mocho: Teacher and artist from New Mexico.

- *Club demonstration: April 21.*
- *Hands-on class: April 23-24.*

Marilyn Campbell: Turner and sculptor from Canada.

- *Club demonstration: September 8.*
- *Hands-on class: September 10-11.*

Hans Weissflog, AAW demonstrator from Germany.

- *Club demonstration: November 4.*
- *Hands-on class: November 5.*

All of our Demonstrators are offering hands-on classes in conjunction with their demonstrations. Class size is limited to six students. To reserve your place in a class, contact Jan Shotola at 847-412-9781 or p.shotola@comcast.net.

Darrell Rader Studio Is Opening

November 17 & 18 – 10 am to 6 pm, November 19 – 2 to 4 pm.

The studio is located 6 miles north of Woodstock IL , 1 ½ miles east of Rt. 47, 10703 Allendale Rd.