



CUMBERLAND WOODTURNERS
ASSOCIATION

A Chapter of the AAW
NEWSLETTER JUNE 2006

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The Cumberland Woodturners met on May 31 at the workshop of Bill Westerbeck. President Jack Semelsberger called the meeting to order at 6PM. There were 22 members present, including two new members who joined at this meeting.

Welcome new members Audrey Dallaire and Bill Luinetti!

MONTHLY PROGRAM

The program for May was a group discussion of techniques used to repair a turning or enhance a defect. Each person was invited to show-and-tell a turning and explain the method they had used. John Lucas led the discussion.

John had a lot of suggestions for filling cracks or voids. Brass rod plugs for wormholes, black CA glue or black epoxy, shavings of different color woods, brass filings, gold leaf mixed into Inlace, powdered chalk or tempera paint powder. And the most unusual filler, coffee grounds (regular or decaf!).

He reminded that it's best to test any method on scrap first. Sometimes when you mix something with CA glue or epoxy, it's character can change.

For using epoxy, mix the other material into the epoxy, then fill the crack.
For CA glue, put the filler material in the crack, then apply CA glue over it (no time to mix before it dries).

George Groom recommended bowling ball repair powder as filler, it's available on the Web.

Randy Trentham has repaired bowls with Bondo car body filler. He also suggested sanding a dowel of the same wood into a point, cutting it off and tapping it into a hole as a plug.

Bill Westerbeck displayed a bowl he had repaired by patching with a contrasting color wood.

Larry Cowles explained that he applies wood filler to very wormy wood, and it gives a nice contrast. Also, if you turn through the bottom of a piece, it can be saved by adding on a decorative foot of a contrasting wood.

Jim Bentley displayed a large platter that had cracked into 2 pieces along a bark inclusion. Rather than try to mend it back together, he held the 2 pieces together with brass rods, leaving a gap in between the 2 parts to highlight it.

Bobby Clemons noted that if cracks appear after turning, wait awhile (about 6 weeks) before filling with CA glue, because the cracks may heal themselves in the drying process. If you apply CA glue, the wood cannot move anymore.

Hopefully these suggestions will inspire each of us to try something different, and maybe save a piece that seemed destined for the burn pile!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

June Open Segmented Turning – Jon Reiver
July Finishing – Group Discussion

WOOD O' THE MONTH

The WOM turning was brought by Jim Bentley, and won by Teresa Paar.

Dogwood burl box by Jim Bentley



TREASURER'S REPORT

Ken Warrick gave the Treasurer's report as follows for May:

Previous Balance	\$2,121.09
Income	\$ 262.00
Expenses	\$ 147.30
Ending Balance	\$2,235.79

INSTANT GALLERY



MONTHLY CHALLENGE

There was no challenge for the month.

UPCOMING CHALLENGES

June Lidded Box
July Turning using 2+ pieces of wood
August Goblet

UPCOMING EVENTS

AAW Symposium

June 22-24, Louisville, KY
www.woodturner.org

Tennessee Assoc. of Woodturners Symposium

Augusts 12-13, Nashville, TN

Demonstrators: John Lucas, Dale Nish, Mike Mahoney, Dick Sing

CLUB NEWS

Saturday Turning Day – This was a successful event, with about 22 people working on 7 lathes at John Lucas's shop throughout the day.

MISSING TOOLS from the Turning Day

Please check if you have seen either of these tools that were lost at the Turning Day event.

½" bowl gouge, owner David Phillippe

¼" diamond point parting tool, owner John Lucas

CLUB SHIRTS

We can get club logo Tshirts for \$4-7 each, the cost mainly depends on the logo number of colors. John Lucas continues to investigate. If anyone has a logo idea, please submit it to any of the officers.

KELTON HOLLOWING TOOL

Woodcraft donated a Kelton hollowing tool to our club. However, some investment in jigs and other tools are needed for it to be usable. The officers are considering some options of how to proceed.

MEETING REFRESHMENTS

June Jon Reiver

July Bill Westerbeck

August John Lucas

NEXT MEETING

WHEN: June 28 @ 6PM (Social hr @ 5PM)

WHERE: Bill Westerbeck workshop

PROGRAM: Open Segmented Turning
by Jon Reiver

CHALLENGE: Lidded Box

PHOTOS

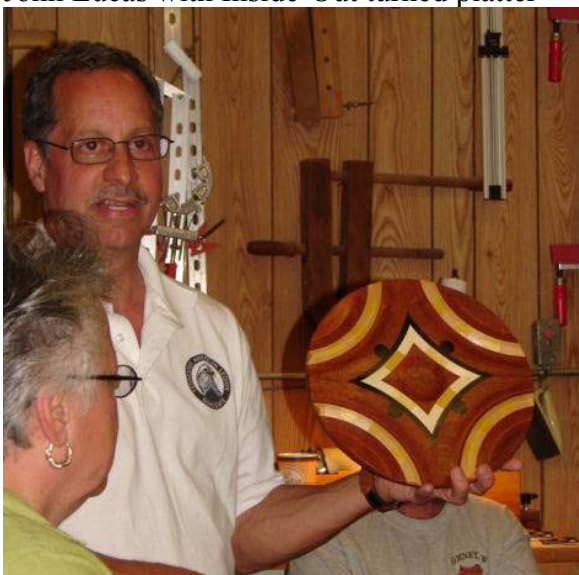
George Groom



Jim Bentley's platter



John Lucas with Inside-Out turned platter



Joe Herro



Larry Cowles



John Orban with segmented panel

