



CUMBERLAND WOODTURNERS ASSOCIATION

A Chapter of the AAW
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The Cumberland Woodturners met on September 28, 2005 at the workshop of Bill and Jackie Westerbeck. President Jim Bentley called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

There were 19 attendees, including 1 new member, Dennis Anderson.

PREZ PAGE by Jim Bentley

I'm sure all of you are busy putting textures on some of your turnings after that inspiring demo by our own John Lucas. I know I am. His demo must have taken many hours to prepare. His efforts are very much appreciated by all!

For you "back-to-basics" fans - I suggest that you take advantage of our library to give you some added help. Next month John Reiver will have our entire library at the meeting and will review it for you.

Another source of "back-to-basics" is the American Woodturner magazine. The magazine is one of the benefits of belonging to the American Association of Woodturners (AAW) (\$40.00 per year). If you are a member of AAW you will get a copy of the magazine each time it comes out. Each issue has at least one project that you can follow step-by-step (with photos for those of you that can't read).



Please remember the change in venue for next month's meeting. (More info can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.)

Speaking of the next meeting - at the last few meetings I noticed that many of you come to the meetings earlier than our starting time of 6:00. There doesn't seem to be enough time during the regular meeting for just chatting and informal Q&A. At the next meeting the shop will be open starting at 5:00 for anyone to come and just have some informal time together. Bring your "back-to-basic" questions as well as some gossip or whatever. We'll give the early session a try at the next meeting.

Those of you that are holding back from volunteering for the positions of President, Treasurer, and Secretary for next year shouldn't wait too much longer. The deadline for volunteering is October 16. After that we will come looking for you. If you feel that you are getting something from the club, it is about time you gave something back. Keep it going! We need new blood and new ideas! Volunteer!

See you at Joe's shop on October 26.

jim bentley

NEXT MEETING LOCATION

The October meeting will be held at Joe Zarnitz's workshop. A map will be mailed or emailed to everyone.

MONTHLY PROGRAM

John Lucas gave a presentation on Surface Decoration. A good way to experiment with texture or color techniques is to make a sampler board, putting different ideas in small areas to use as reference later. Keep notes of what you did. John showed samplers he made for dye colors, woodburning patterns, and engraver patterns.



Dye & Paint: Dye allows the wood grain to show through, Paint hides the grain. Paint is better for carving through, because dye will show bleeding into the carved area.

Bleaching: Use wood bleach to lighten the wood.

Engraver : Adds texture. This technique often looks better in small, defined areas as an accent, rather than over the entire piece.

Puff Paint: Adds color and texture

Wire brush: Wire wheel in lathe headstock. Texture like sandblasting, varies depending on speed and coarseness of wheel.

Brayer with Ink: Apply block printing ink with a brayer (roller) over carved areas to paint the surface, but leave the carved areas unpainted.



These are just a few of the techniques that are possible. Thanks John, for another great demo!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

October – Christmas Ornaments, several styles
John Lucas & Randy Trentham

WOOD O' THE MONTH

Bill Westerbeck won a piece of Osage orange, and a beautiful oak goblet turned by Randy Trentham from last month's WOM. (Goblet photo below with scoops)

MONTHLY CHALLENGE

This month's challenge for Scoops was won by John Lucas.



UPCOMING CHALLENGES

October Using texturing or coloring
November Ornament

SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

Group Outing to Asheville, NC club meeting

See details below

Holiday Party Tentative Date Dec. 14

Discuss at next meeting

ASHEVILLE CLUB GROUP OUTING

A visit to a Carolina Mountain Woodturners meeting has been proposed as below.

What: Clay Foster demo

When: November 19 (Sat.)

Please contact Jim Bentley if you're interested in going. He will coordinate possibly gathering and carpooling.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bill Westerbeck gave the Treasurer's report as follows:

Previous Balance	\$2,008.98
Income	\$ 98.50
<u>Expenses</u>	<u>\$ 42.30</u>
Ending Balance	\$2,065.18

MEETING REFRESHMENTS

October – Teresa Paar

November – Don Van Houten

December – Bill Westerbeck

NOTES

Items not sold during our Depot Days event are for sale to club members at ½ price.

We have several members who travel quite a distance to join our meeting each month. We appreciate your effort, especially considering recent gas prices. Thanks for your support!

NEXT MEETING

WHEN:	October 26 @ 6PM
WHERE:	Joe Zarnitz workshop
PROGRAM:	Christmas Ornaments
CHALLENGE:	Using Texturing or Coloring

John using the brayer to apply ink



Instant Gallery



A True Story from Piper

This last weekend I attended a craft show and displayed my wood turnings. Early Saturday morning a young man (about 10 years old) came to my tent followed by a white haired old man that I think was his grandfather. The young man's name was Jack I later found out, and he was fascinated with the turnings.

The white haired old man was also a wood turner and suggested that after they left the craft show, they go home to let Jack try his hand on the lathe. I offered one of my mushrooms for him to use as an example and off they went.

A couple of hours later here comes Jack with his hands full of three mushrooms. He and his grandfather assured me that they were turned in their entirety by Jack. Gramps said he was a good listener and followed directions. Jack presented me with one of his turnings that he signed. His work was great, better in fact than my first try.

There are a couple of things to be noted from this experience. First, turning is not hard, it just takes a desire. Second, I am sure we now have another wood turner in our ranks.