



Monthly Newsletter

March 25, 2014

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March 25, 2014 Regular Monthly Meeting-

Matching schedules with an internationally renowned turner had the DelVal Turners' March meeting moved back a few weeks, but it was well worth the wait. Sixty-three people were in attendance when President Phil Hauser opened with some general announcements. A few more seemed to have wandered in as the meeting progressed. At one point the presenter commented "Look! They're queued up in the hallway to get to see me"

☞ Recognition and welcoming of newcomers: Bruce Perlmutter and Mike Goldenbaum

☞ The announcement that club officer Steve Leichner was not in attendance because of an illness. Members were reminded to send a card to Steve once in a while.

☞ Next meeting: Tuesday, April 29th, 2014 at 7 PM. This has been moved to permit our group to catch South Carolina wood artist Mark Gardner for a demo. He will make a square bowl using some unusual techniques. Mark's work can be seen on his web page at:

http://markgardnerstudio.com/section/51477_Bowls.html

☞ Next open house: Tuesday, April 22, 2014 at 7 PM in Hainesport

☞ Next Executive Committee meeting: Tuesday, April 15, 2014 at 7 PM in Hainesport.

☞ Sadly, on February 23rd, 2014 we lost Nick Cucciniello who passed away. Nick was a regular at Phil's Open House meetings last year, and he will be missed. May he rest in peace.

☞ This month's 50/50 would include the bowl made by demonstrator Nick Agar as one of the two prize options. The cash option will have a limit of \$50



From the Floor

☞ The Totally Turning Symposium in Saratoga Springs, NY is coming up. Member Josh Kavett would be attending the event and driving a pick-up truck. Josh kindly offered to haul wood or other purchases from the conference for club members.

2014 Hands On Workshops are Underway!

Early classes have begun and our presenters have even freed up their own schedules to accommodate demand. Scheduling is all done electronically, through the links listed on the club web page, where a schedule and description of each offering is posted. This year's initial offerings are listed below, but some may already be filled. Please check for vacant time slots before sending your registration info to Jeff Kieserman:

Mark Allan- Marlton, New Jersey

Introduction to Turning Stone...small bowl or hollow form

Ray Cole- Palmyra, New Jersey

Introduction to Segmented Turning

Don Hart- Salem, New Jersey

Thread Chasing

Phil Hauser- Hainesport, New Jersey

Option 1: Bowl from a Board

Two options are offered for these sessions. You can pick whichever you like.

Option 2: How to Make a Peppermill

Dave Leader- Glendora, NJ

Pens, Bottle Stoppers, Key Chains, Perfume Applicators, and Fan Pulls

David Potts- Bordentown, New Jersey

Laser Engraving

Marty Richter- Marlton, New Jersey

Spindle Turning (beginner to intermediate)

Richard Gaughan- Riverton, New Jersey

Bowl Turning Basics

Holmes Hay- Columbus, New Jersey

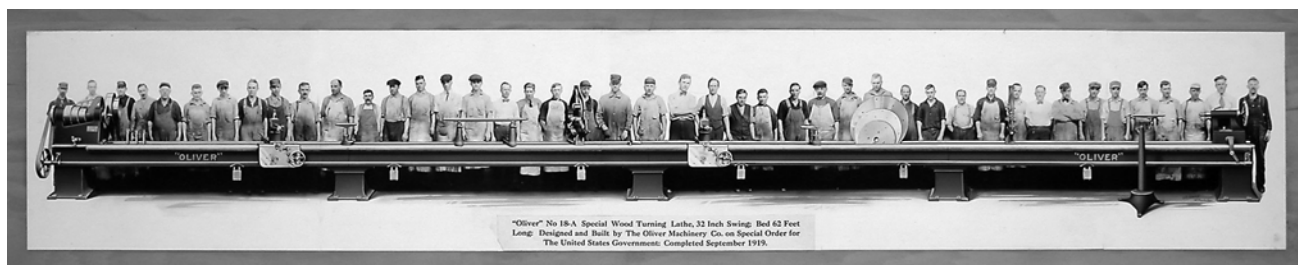
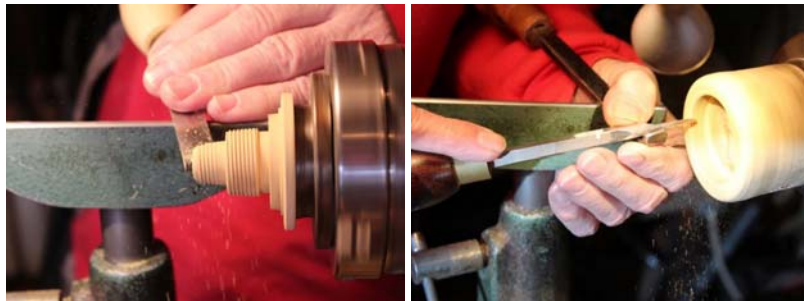
Small Bird Houses

Current H.O.W. schedules, availability, and pricing are available through the club web site:

<http://www.delvalturners.com/hands-on-workshops-2014/>

Requests to register for a course are made by emailing Jeff Kieserman through jkck616@gmail.com. Please be sure to make your payment checks payable to **DelVal Turners**. Thanks and have fun! Aside from dues, this is the club's largest fundraiser and makes it possible to hire demonstrators, pay the insurance, and keep things turning.

Jim Parise, Joe Coleman, and John Fitzpatrick recently completed Don Hart's Wood Thread Chasing HOW and sent along these pictures as proof of what a great time they had.



Nick Agar, our March Demonstrator

Nick Agar began his session with the explanation of the origins of the evening's turned piece. Agar had participated in one of the Norwegian Woodturning Cruises and found it to be a fantastic opportunity for the travelers, the demonstrating turners, and the community at each port of call. His bowl concept captured the rugged landscape of the Norwegian fjords, the heritage of the region's Viking lore, and the beautifully stunning Scandinavian sunsets. His demonstration included hundreds of tips, pointers, and suggestions for turning technique and there were many times where a process was repeated so that it could be seen on the camera for the audience to better see. Nick used several surface treatment devices, including a hot-wire woodburner, a Saburr-tooth carving burr, a Decorating Elf carver, a Sorby-type spiral texturing tool, and a variety of punches.

Once shaped on the lathe and the surface treatment was administered, Nick Agar then used an airbrush to apply a matte black foundation to the outer portion of the bowl. The finish was allowed to dry completely and was followed up with a pewter-colored gilder's wax, applied with the fingertips only, and thin enough that it did not creep into the surface distress reliefs. This technique was repeated for the rim of the bowl, and a medallion in the interior of the bowl. To convey the concept of the Scandinavian sunsets, Nick used an airbrush to provide a wonderful splash of red on the outer edge of the bowl's interior.

Finishing the foot on the stunning vessel was the last item on our demonstrator's list, and he used a cone-shaped silicon rubber jam chuck marketed by RubberChucky.com to mate the bowl's interior with the headstock-end of the lathe. Even to the last sentence in his demo, Nick Agar continued to provide his audience with valuable information about his technique and options for those who might be still honing their skills.



Some sources for materials and equipment demonstrated by Mr. Agar include:

Texturing Punches:

<http://www.woodcarverssupply.com/5PC-BACKGROUND-PUNCH-SET/productinfo/434425/>

Carving Burr:

<http://www.woodturnerscatalog.com/p/6/-/30/127/-/4904/Saburr-Tooth-1-8%22-Shank-Sphere-Burr>

Airbrush: Nick recommended a dual action unit with a .35mm to .5mm tip

•Harbor Freight with a .35mm Tip:

<http://www.harborfreight.com/deluxe-airbrush-kit-95810.html>

•HobbyLobby: Neo for Iwata offers dual action with a .5mm tip. Use your smartphone to get a 40% coupon off one item at the store's cash register.

<http://shop.hobbylobby.com/products/neo-bcn-siphon-feed-dual-action-airbrush-395483/>

Metalizing Gilder's Wax:

•Michael's Crafts sells Rub-n-Buff in a variety of tones

•Goldfinger brand was Nick's favorite, but it's a UK product.

•Craft Supplies carries Baroque Arts in a variety of tones, and a few other brands

<http://www.woodturnerscatalog.com/p/3/-/11/51/-/6146/Baroque-Art-Gilders-Paste>

•Dick Blick art stores carry a variety of metalized faux finishes:

<http://www.dickblick.com/categories/fauxfinishes/>

Alcohol stains and colorants:

Nick used Chestnut brand Spirit Stain, a methanol alcohol based product. TransTint and Artisan Coloring Dyes are two products available at US stores, such as Woodcraft and CraftSupplies

<http://www.woodturnerscatalog.com/p/3/-/11/50/-/1502/Artisan-Coloring-Dye>

<http://www.woodcraft.com/Product/2001718/16830/Transtint-Dyes-Bright-Red.aspx>

RubberChucky

<http://www.rubberchucky.com/index.php>

Member's Corner

Dominick "Nick" L. Cucciniello

Dominick "Nick" L. Cucciniello, 39, of Burlington, passed away on Sunday, February 23, 2014. He grew up in Clark and lived in Roebing, before moving to Burlington. He graduated in 1992 from ALJ High School and Union County Vo-Tech for HVAC. Nick was a General Maintenance Worker Supervisor for the Federal Correction Institution at Fort Dix for 10 years. He had advanced courses for commercial licenses, such as a Black Seal, HVAC and various gas and electrical certifications. Prior to working in Fort Dix, he worked from 1994 to 1999 as a Maintenance Assistant at Genesis Westfield Center and from 1999 to 2004 as the Director of Maintenance at Genesis Burlington Woods. As an avid woodworker, Nick was a member of the Bucks Woodturners in Newtown, PA and the DeVal Turners group. He enjoyed participating in weekend workshops, traveling to Mark Supik Woodturning in Baltimore and Johannes Michelsen's in Manchester, VT and other private classes in NJ and PA.



Nick also enjoyed the treasure hunt that a flea market offered and could be often found on a Sunday morning at the Columbus Farmers' Market. One member even recalled seeing Nick selling at the market after cleaning out his garage.

50/50 Drawing

Winning this month's share was

- John Fitzpatrick, who went home with a stunning demo piece
- Joe Klepka, cash award of \$50



Treasurer's Report None this month



Special Thanks to Jeffrey Schnell for this month's photography help!



Library Report – None: The Club Librarian is Robert Jay. All are welcome to share from the club's collection of books, magazines, and DVDs

Remember, **SAFETY FIRST**. We will strive to emphasize this message at each meeting, and if you have a particular safety topic of concern please feel free to bring it up for discussion.

Please regularly review the recommendations established by the AAW. Even taking one new measure a week may prevent an accident.

<http://www.woodturner.org/resources/safety.htm>