



Monthly Newsletter

October 14, 2014

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October 14, 2014 Regular Monthly Meeting-

News Bullets:

- The next open house is in Hainesport on October 21, starting at 7 PM. Phil will continue to host the open houses on the 3rd Tuesday of each month
- A new feature starting this month is the club Swap Shop. Members are invited to bring in and advertise an item or two for sale. The sales table is at the rear of the woodshop and transactions are between the seller and buyer only, no affiliation with the DelVal Turners organization. At this month's meeting, Phil Hauser had lots of goodies.
- Mark Allan invited members to share in the library's offerings and also asked members that might have items check out to please bring them back for others to share.
- Mark December 9th, 2014 on your calendars for this year's Holiday party in the D'Olio Meeting Room at the Moorestown Friends School. Members are asked to bring a dessert to share with the rest of the membership. There will be the usual Silent Auction, plus a Tool Swap. The Polyanna gift exchange for this year is to make a Holiday Platter—a tray or plate that can be used to display cookies, desserts, candies, breads, etc. on a Holiday table. And the evening will also feature a raffle for members that have paid-up dues for the 2015 membership year.
- Dues for 2015 are being collected by our treasurer, John Coles. A copy of the membership form can be downloaded from here: <http://www.delvalturners.com/become-a-member/> Dues remain at \$30 for 2015. Elections for Club Officers will also take place in November.
- Turning events planned for the coming months include Robert Jay demonstrating his Hollow Form technique in November's meeting. We will also have pen turner Barry Gross as a presenter in the coming months. In addition to outside demonstrators, the DelVal meeting will be abuzz with 3 or 4 simultaneous demonstrations going at once during our 2015 MicroSymposium.
- A member asked about finding a business that would do resin coating of table tops. Two businesses were recommended: Monkey Mill Art Wood- <http://mycnet.homestead.com/untitled1.html> and also mentioned was D&B Finishing near Haddon Heights, but no contact link or information has been found for that business.
- 34 and visitors members present. Tom Marchetti was our evening's visitor

DelVal October Demonstrator

Derek Weidman

October's meeting brought turner Derek Weidman to our shop meeting and also brought new insight into the world of multi axis woodturning to our membership. Weidman began his presentation by polling the audience to name a creature that might become the evening's target, and the Jersey Devil was selected as our night's goal.

Weidman prefers to turn American Holly, still on the green side, because of the wood's white color and due to its almost plastic-like cutting properties.

The wood's white color would later accent the toolmarks and pyrography that the turner would use to bring life to his subject. This would include resorting to a propane torch to both singe the fuzz from the surfaces of the turning and also turn the piece's pale white facets to ones of golden browns and tans.

Once the subject was chosen and sketched, the next feat was to mount the billet between centers and produce a cylinder. Weidman exclusively uses a safety center or Safe Driver center for his turning, as it permits fast and accurate changes of axis. Weidman began his turning process by saying "I consider myself more of a woodshaper than a woodturner. Most turners spend hours trying to remove toolmarks; I try to preserve those toolmarks and make them design features within my work."

Our presenter continued his work, switching axis about six different times, some more violent and precarious than others. He stressed the aspect of safety and provided many safety tips and tricks throughout the demonstration. He was constantly monitoring his piece's sounds and vibrations and would adjust his toolrest or tighten the tailstock to make those adjustments and accommodations as needed.

As 9:00 approached, Weidman gave a few tips for finishing. Because he is using green wood, he stabilizes his pieces by boring holes in hidden parts of the turning and then brushing in Pentacryl Wood Stabilizer. Weidman warned that wood treated with the stabilizer was more difficult to work, so it was good to complete the shaping process before applying the Pentacryl.

Finishing and coloring was accomplished through the use of Copic Markers, a sketching marker that used an alcohol or aniline colorant that was UV-fast and capable of varied lineweights and a wide range of hues. The markers may not be on the shelves of your local woodturning store, but can be readily ordered from Amazon or an art supply house like DickBlick. Derek Weidman finished his Jersey Devil rendition a few minutes before the 9:00 hour and offered it back to the club for use in the November 50/50 drawing.



Oneway's Safe Driver Center





50/50 Drawing

Winning this month's loot

- Seth Chamberlain went home with \$67
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Treasurer's Report None this month



Library Report – None: The Club Librarian is Mark Allan. 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>