

Monthly Newsletter

January 13, 2015

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January 13, 2015 Regular Monthly Meeting-

- The next open house is in Hainesport on January 20th, starting at 7 PM. Phil will continue to host the open houses on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.
- Rich Gaughan received a great round of applause for tackling the club web page and data files for the
 past few months. Jeff Kieserman will resume where Rich left off. Thanks again to both Rich and Jeff
- Turning events planned for the coming months include pen turner Barry Gross as a presenter in April.
 In addition to outside demonstrators, the DelVal meeting will do a walking tour of the Center for Art in Wood on North Third Street in Philadelphia in March.
- Seth Chamberlain reported that the MAWA group, the Mid Atlantic Woodturners Association, has set September 24 & 25, 2016 as the dates for it's first symposium. The event will be held in Lancaster, PA in the Lancaster Marriot/Convention Center. Set—up date will be Friday, September 23, 2016. A group of big-name turners have been approached and as soon as signed contracts are returned those names will be made public.
- Visitors tonight include Joe Jones, a member of the Cape Atlantic turners group, Peter Cronholm, and Jim Craig. Also returning is Kirk Kirkpatrick and Vinnie Ferranti. There were 43 folks in attendance near the start of the meeting. Members that either have not been issued a name tag or may have misplaced their original nametag were asked to contact Dave Potts via email (dpotts77@yahoo.com).
- Jeff Schnell reminded the group that the <u>AAW 2015</u>
 <u>Convention</u> in Pittsburgh happens June 25 to 28, 2015. Hotel bookings have begun.



• Bob Shelles of Broomall, PA has some wood that might be of interest to DelVal members. On his grounds right now he has a sizable (20") birch log that's spalted and a stash of sawn Sequoia lumber. Bob can be reached at 610-613-8543. A field trip might be planned!



Joe Klepka broought a few goodies in with him to share with the group. Joe has been making beautiful handles for quite a while and has amassed a small collection of shipwright tools and timber framing tools, all with wonderfully turned handles. Included in Joe's collection tonight was a caulking hammer, for driving oakum between a boat's planks using hand-held caulking irons.

Joe also had a few miscellaneous edge tools, including a 3" framer's slick with it's detachable handle. Joe explained that his slick was labled as being made by the Mix Company, while the other edge tools were D.R. Barton, of Rochester, New York. All of these tool makers are early to mid 1800's and are very well respected makers.







Next Month:

February 10, 2015 Meeting

This is a meeting dedicated to showcase our members' talents. There are four categories for this Show & Tell event at this meeting:

Member's Turned Items: any special turnings you've completed in the past year

Tooling, Jigs, Fixtures, etc. that you've made: special grind on turning tools? Tool sharpening arrangements? Work Light? Hollowing jigs? Bring it in to share and perhaps inspire another member to go the extra step, too.

HOW Workshop Examples: As the season's HOW workshops unfold, this Show & Tell event gives the membership a chance to see what's in store for each course selection. Remember that the HOW workshops are the greatest fund raiser our club offers and it is the HOWs that keep our dues low and the long line of great presenters in our meetings.

Nick Cucciniello's Bowl Blank Completion: sadly, our friend Nick passed away suddenly at an age way too young. He had lots of time and energy invested in a sizable stash of bowl blanks, each seasoning until Nick might find the time to complete them. We divided up Nick's blanks among the membership last fall and asked members to chip in and finish our friend's task. Complete the blank you tookand bring it to the meeting for display. It would be great if you could take a picture of the before and after stages for the blamk you selected.

DelVal Micro-Symposium

Five Tasks. Five Turners.

January's meeting brought five turners to a different corner of the shop and gave them each a chance to demonstrate to a small group of members throughout the evening. The membership were encouraged to travel from station to station, ask questions, become informed, and maybe even share their own insight and experiences with the demonstrator. The stations were manned by:

Phil Hauser: demonstrating how to finish au a platter or bowl bottom Ray Cole: making a multicolored bowl from a plank of glued up strips

Jim Parise: Turning a captive ring baby rattle

Steve Leichner: Turned kitchenware, including a spatula Dave Potts: Turning a wooden stem and base for a wine glass





50/50 Drawing

Winning this month's loot

- Rich Gaughan cleaned up with \$53
- David A. Potts- One of Steve Leichner's turned spatulas
- Jim Hobson- One of Steve Leichner's turned spatulas
- Carol Leader- One of Jim Parise's turned rattles
- Joe Klepka- Craft Supplies Gift Certificate



Treasurer's Report N

None this month



Photography

A big thanks to Jeff Schnell and Mike Zickler for the video and still pictures from January's meeting

Library Report – None: The Club Librarian is Mark Allan. All are welcome to share from the club's collection of books, magazines, and DVDs. Member are asked to make a list of DVDs that might be worthy of adding to the club library.

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