



Woodturners of the Virginias



August 5, 2023

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elcome Woodturners of the Virginias. The Woodturners of the Virginias came together on Saturday, August 5th at Peter's Phoenix Shop for our monthly meeting. We had 21 members/guest in house. Yep, I know this is terribly late, no excuses on my part. Thanks to John for sending me his notes since I was not in attendance.



We are everywhere, check the club out at...

On the web: www.woodturnersofthevirginias.org/

On Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WoodturnersOfTheVirginias/>

On YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChACH9U2bxtVb5haSE_0Ayw

How can you participate?

Cant make it to a meeting but you don't want to miss out? No worries, Jeff Fleisher has established a Zoom account for the club. Prior to the monthly meeting he will typically send out the Zoom invitation so you can join us from the comforts of your own home.

Facebook

We as a club are always trying to get the word out about what we do. In the past year our Facebook page has really taken off. As of the meeting time, the Woodturners of the Virginias Facebook page has 927 people that follow us. The word is getting out. If you are on Facebook and have never looked at our page, give it a look (and of course "Like" us) You can find us at: <https://www.facebook.com/WoodturnersOfTheVirginias/>

Safety Minute

Hank discussed Dr Seri Robinson's book "Living with Wood". He included a handout that I will attach. He spoke about the dangers and properties of wood in regards to impacts on humans.

Coming Up

The Empty Bowl Soup Supper

The Empty Bowl Soup Supper is coming in November. The club will be making items for this event again this year. The skills session on Aug 19th will

focus on bowl making for the Empty Bowl Fundraiser. Last year the club provided the fundraiser with 28 bowls. The goal for this year is 50 bowls. Time to get turning.

Pens for the Troops

WoVA members are invited to participate in The Pens for the Troops program this year. We will focus on pen making at the September Skills Session. Seb has secured 25 kits from Woodcraft for this event. If you want to turn some pens ahead of the skills session contact Seb for kits.

Audio/Video Update

Jeff tells us that we have 2 cam corders and a third on order to replace all of the iPhones. The cam corders are more reliable and a higher quality.

Donation

Dale Winburn donated a collection of wood to the club. Some is being used for bowls and there is a box of pen blanks. Thanks Dale for your generosity.

Show-N-Tell

Following the business portion of the meeting, it was time for members to show off their talents with Shown-N-Tell.

Starke started us off with a collection of turnings. His cherry bowl and a Oak plate are shown here. He also presented various bottle stoppers and a fumed white oak bud vase. Great work Starke.



Dale was up next with his Cedar Vase.. Dale tells us after turning he used a lacquer finish on it. Looking good Dale.



Tom Coker had two really nice pieces this month. Pictured here is a Walnut natural edge bowl and a Soft Maple Plate he turned as part of the Skills Building Session. Nice work Tom.

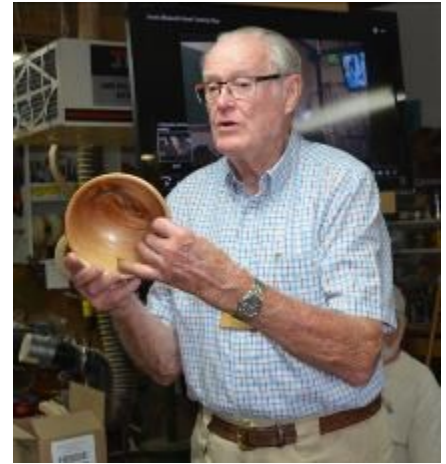


Don Voas showed this Walnut platter or shallow bowl he turned recently. He used Dale's finish and Beale Buffed.

Adrian has been honing his pen turning skills. This month he presented a couple of pens turned from Zebra wood.



Jeff Reilley presented a Maple Platter this month. Jeff finished the platter with Danish Oil. Looks good Jeff.



Peter finished us up with his Maple bowl. Peter tells us that he finished it with Lacquer. Great work Peter.



Don showed us his kaleidoscope he made from Walnut and vase with a basket weave illusion technique for finishing.

Demo time

Mike Sorge was scheduled to demo today, he was unable to due to illness. The backup plan was to show a DVD from the club library. Well, the DVD wouldn't play. So, Jeff found a David Ellsworth recording of YouTube on bowl turning.



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