

June 2014

Next Meeting and Demonstration

The next meeting will be:

Date: **WEDNESDAY, June 11, 2014**
Time: 7:00-9:30 PM
Location: **Woodworkers Club**
11910-L Parklawn Drive
Rockville, MD 20853
(301) 984-9033

Agenda

- 6:45 -7:00 PM Bring a chair, if you wish... be sure to wear your name tag... meet and greet other members... register your items for Show & Tell with Richard Webster... bid on Silent Auction items... sign out and pay Clif Poodry for videos from the club's Lending Library.
- 7:00 - 7:40 Business Meeting and Show & Tell
- 7:40 - 9:15 PM Program: **Warren Carpenter \$10.00 Demo Fee**
- 9:15 - 9:30 PM Pay for and retrieve your Silent Auction items, pack up, put the lathe and space back in order.

June Program - Warren Carpenter by Gary Guenther



We have been privileged to be instructed by Warren Carpenter on two previous occasions, but the last was nearly four years ago, so it's past time to see him again. Warren comes to us from Seneca, SC, but we're taking advantage of the fact that he's gracious enough to join us for the evening while in the DC area visiting one of his daughters.

Warren is a man of many talents. He began his career as an architect and home builder (would you expect any less with that name?) and has built more than 125 homes. As a community activist in the housing in-



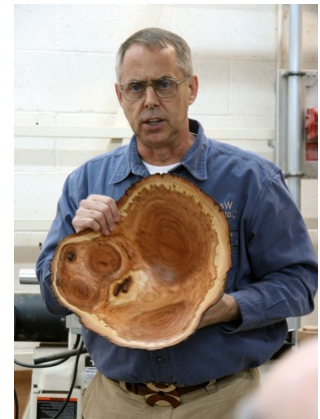
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dustry, he received the "Order of the Palmetto", the state's highest award, in 2004. But there's an artist in him too. Along the way, he pursued that aspect of his life as a wood sculptor before he "found the round" in 1999 and turned it into a business. We all know about that vortex. He and his wife also supported local craft artists by owning and operating a Gallery for a number of years.

Warren is a member of the Southern Highlands Craft Guild, the South Carolina Artisan Center, as well as several community organizations, and has work in 28 galleries in the USA. He served for three years as President of Carolina Mountain Woodturners and three years as a Director of the American Association of Woodturners. He was responsible for the creation of the Turning Learning Center in Seneca and has used it extensively in teaching woodturning to young people and adults of all ages. He teaches regularly at Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, the John C. Campbell Folk School, and at woodturning clubs across the country. Are we talking Energizer Bunny here, or what?

Warren's real passion is turning wood and creating. He says, "When I pick up a piece of wood, I want that piece of wood to become the best piece that it can be, with no preconceived ideas. I don't walk into the shop and pick up a piece of wood and make it be something; I look at the wood, handle it and see what it wants to be. I'd have a difficult time being an artist if I didn't have a partner; that partner is wood, and we work together to create something unique." Warren's forte is finding "what's in the wood", and he will be sharing his vision with us. His signature is often a slice of a walnut shell imbedded in the rim of his pieces.



Warren demonstrated for Chesapeake Woodturners in April. There is an excellent, illustrated article of what he taught there in the April issue of their newsletter, "The Final Cut". It can be accessed from www.chesapeakewoodturners.com/final-cut-news/2014.

Warren teaches with tremendous energy and a lively sense of humor that is also evident in his demo descriptions. In his own words, here's what he'll be doing for us on **Wednesday, June 11:**

Be Gentle, You Don't Always Have to Cut the Pith Out of It: In this demo I will share some of the different ways I look at pieces of trees and how they can be prepared and turned to achieve interesting results. Sometimes I will turn the pith out of it and other times the pith will remain even if I am turning the P!\$\$ out of it. In this demo, no tree crotches will be harmed as I will be working only with cuts out of normal logs and the foot of the tree.

There will be a \$10 demo fee. We'll have those new padded folding chairs out, and all that new audio and video working. Don't miss it!

Special Points of Interest:

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GENERAL ANOUNCEMENTS

MCW Skills Enhancement Program (Bert Bleckwenn)

SEE PAGE 6 & 7 FOR NEW PROGRAM INFORMATION AND SCHEDULE

MCW Picasa Picture Gallery

Pictures from last month's meeting of our featured Demonstration and MCW Events can be found on the MCW Picasa website at:

MAY PROGRAM - KAPLAN COLLECTION

<https://picasaweb.google.com/106891946865477202075/MCWMay14KaplanCollectionsVisit#>

PHIL BROWN EXHIBIT AT DAVIS PUBLIC LIBRARY

<https://picasaweb.google.com/106891946865477202075/PhilBrownAtDavisPublicLibrary#>

MCW DEMOSTRATION AT BROOKSIDE GARDENS

<https://picasaweb.google.com/106891946865477202075/MCWMay14AtBrooksideGardens#>

SILVER SPRING PUBLIC LIBRARY SHOW

<https://picasaweb.google.com/106891946865477202075/May14MCWSilverSpringLibraryShow#>

Treasury Report, as of May 28, 2014

<u>May Income:</u>		<u>May Expense:</u>	
Membership	20	CCC annual fee	<u>50</u>
Cherry wood project	<u>21</u>	Total expenses	\$50
Total income	\$41		
Total funds available	\$ 2,499.16		

President's Perspective (Tim Aley)

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Oh my, it is June already! This is a busy time for many of us. Spring has finally come, and summer may be here by the time you read this. My daughter is graduating from high school, work is ending for the summer and the AAW symposium is here. I know that it is far away in Phoenix and very few of you want to go to Phoenix when it has been over 100 degrees for weeks but I am excited to go!

I plan to represent us well. I will attend the club meeting to get ideas on how MCW's relationship with AAW can be more mutually beneficial. I will share those ideas with you after the Symposium. I will also share some of the sights with pictures from the show. If you want to bid on some auction items from home or just get inspired by what people are making, check out the auction links. (you may even recognize one of them) <http://auction2014.woodturner.org/auctionlist.aspx>

Lastly, I hope everyone is thinking of going to Pittsburgh in 2015! I would like everyone to start thinking about a chapter collaborative. I would like to have MCW strongly represented there.

Keep Turning Safely!



MCW Meeting Minutes – May 8, 2014 (Tim Aley)

MCW May Meeting Minutes 5/8/2014 Submitted by Tim Aley

President Tim Aley called the meeting to order at 7:12 pm. He welcomed members to the meeting and thanked Jerry & Deena Kaplan for inviting us. Tim reminded everyone that they need to get items to Mark this month by May 31.

Tim went over the next few meetings and noted that the June meeting is right before AAW. Tim realized that he will be in Phoenix on that Thursday. It was wondered if Warren Carpenter could do the Demo on Wednesday instead. Gary Guenther was to check on that. Future demos currently scheduled are August - Allen Alexopoulos; Sept - Molly Winton; Nov - Clewes.

The library exhibit is installed at [Silver Spring](#) library for May. Phil Brown has a one man show in Davis Library until our display there in June. Tim gave another big thank you to everyone involved in the seating and A/V enhancements. Gary answered a question about the switch timing and the switch is designed to do that and it is the best we can do. He also brought up that Matt did a great job and we need a backup for him. Benji Omisore volunteered.

MCW Maintenance Session is a week later than usual for May: on the 12th from 10:30-12:30 and the Skill Enhancement is Friday, May 16th from 10:00-1:00.

Margaret Follas said that a good group showed up for the Wounded Warrior Project. We had one-on-one for all the warriors. The next session is on May 14 and continues every two weeks after that. Contact Don Van Ryk (dvanryk@aol.com) for more info or to volunteer.

Tim mentioned the proposed Mid Atlantic symposium (MD, DE, PA) in Lancaster area in 2016. If we want to be a sponsoring member, we would need to donate \$1000 and one or two members to work on the board. Bob Anderson has shown interest in representing us if we do it. There were several questions about it and some concern as to what we would get out of it. Tim is planning to go to the Mid-MD club meeting to see a presentation about the Symposium.

Joe Clark brought up that there is a new Carving Club and the next meeting is May 21st at the Woodworker's Club.

Tim clarified that the mallet challenge for next month is any hammer-like device.

Tim introduced Jerry Kaplan, who welcomed everyone to his home. Jerry described his background in modeling and how he and Deena got into collecting. Most of the group then followed him to his workshop, to see his setup that includes a new Robust Sweet 16 lathe, before spreading out to view the arts and crafts collections.

MCW Maintenance Support Program merging with MCW Skills Enhancement Program (Bert Bleckwenn)

The MCW Maintenance Support Program has been very successful since its inception at the start of the year both in improvements in the Woodworkers Club's Turning Area and the number of MCW members that continue to participate. It has been so successful that to the point that we recently only utilized 3-5 members involvement for 30-60 minutes for each session. Rather than continuing to conduct separate sessions, we will be merging the maintenance effort with the MCW Skills Enhancement Program starting with the Sunday, June 8, 2014 Skills Enhancement session from 10:00am to 1:30pm. The separate maintenance session on Monday, June 9th is cancelled as well as all future separate maintenance sessions.

With the merger of the maintenance effort as part of the skills enhancement session, we will extend the Skills Enhancement sessions by 30 minutes running it from 10:00am to 1:30pm for all future sessions to accommodate the maintenance efforts.

This change should result in:

- Members who participate in and benefit from the skills enhancement sessions need to contribute to the maintenance effort so there is direct payback by MCW members that use the turning area
- Provide opportunities for MCW members that work to participate in maintenance when the Skills Enhancement sessions are held on Sundays every other month
- Potential to draw from a larger pool of MCW members participation
- Elimination of separate sessions for maintenance
- Reduction in time commitments each month

Exposure of more MCW members to the need to do basic lathe maintenance and development of skills to do maintenance on their own lathes

The MCW website and future MCW Newsletters will reflect these changes in the appropriate calendars.

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Thanks to all the volunteers that have supported the maintenance effort and hope to see you at a skills enhancement session.

News about our Members (Phil Brown)

Member News

Tim Aley, Phil Brown, and Matt Radke provided a wood turning demonstration during the Forest Festival event May 10th at the Brookside Nature Center. Gary created a short album at: picasaweb.google.com/106891946865477202075/MCWMay14AtBrooksideGardens#

MCW has an exhibit of members work in the glass cases at the Davis Library in June.



Members lending work this year are **Tim Aley, Phil Brown, Bob Browning, Bert Bleckwenn, David Fry, Bob Grudberg, Gary Guenther, Ed Karch, Russ Iler, Bill Long, Paul Mazzi, Jeff Tate, Richard Webster, and Stan Wellborn.** Since the scheduled exhibitor for May didn't install their work in the Davis library, **Phil** was invited to fill the void with this result: picasaweb.google.com/106891946865477202075/PhilBrownAtDavisPublicLibrary#



While in Colorado in April, **Phil Brown** finished setting up his daughter and grandson with a Jet mini lathe, a storage box under the lathe, and 8" grinder. More mentoring trips are next.



Phil Brown will have three bowls in a multi-media juried exhibit featuring area artists in **The Grace of Craft**, at Capital Arts Network, 12280A Wilkins Avenue, in Rockville from June 3 to 27, 2014. An opening reception occurs from 6-9 PM on June 6th. www.capitolartsnetwork.com/

News about our Members (Phil Brown)

Jerry Kaplan and **Phil Brown** will be hosting seven Windgate International Turning Exchange resident fellows June 8th to 12th for their visits to local collections and museums. Resident fellow information for this year is at: centerforartinwood.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/10/2014-ITE-PressRelease-April-20141.pdf

Residents for 2015 and 2016 are listed at: centerforartinwood.org/residency/ite-fellows/

David Fry reviewed Stoney Lamar's exhibit "A Sense of Balance" shown at the Asheville Art Museum last year. See the review with many pictures on pages 44-52 of the American Woodturner of June 2014. The exhibit travels to four other locations, the closest will be The Center for Art in Wood in Philadelphia, PA in 2015.

Mark Supik has a 2 minute introductory video on woodturning, with brief views of his commercial shop in Baltimore, available at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J00p8cyVf_E

Clif Poodry teaches *Beginning Bowl Turning* during the evening of Aug. 28-29; and *Introduction to the Lathe* June 7, July 8-9, Aug. 4-5, and Sept 29-30 at the Woodworkers Club. A minimum of three students are required to conduct a class. To register, call 301-984-9033, or go to classes at: <http://woodworkersclub.com/classes/>

Mark Supik's workshops at 1 N. Haven Street in Baltimore include these all-day woodturning workshops from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM for \$150/class, with a 20% discount for AAW and local woodturning club members. Lunch & materials are included.

Bowl Turning Fundamentals. Using green wood, learn safe use of the lathe and tools, and

basic bowl turning techniques in the morning, then choose your log, turn and finish a bowl in the afternoon on Saturdays June 14th.

Advanced Bowl Turning: Tackle end grain turning or try a natural edged bowl. Or need a larger lathe for a special project? Looking for a bowl in your own piece of wood? This is a class for students who have completed the basic bowl turning class and are ready for the next step. Sunday June 8th. To register, phone or e-mail Nancy Supik, 410-732-8414, or nancy@marksupikco.com

Don't be shy! Promote yourself. Tell us about your woodturning activities in the MCW Newsletter. Send your information by the 25th of the month to Phil Brown, philfbrown@comcast.net, or call 301-767-9863.

Craft Forms 2014

The 20th International Juried Exhibition of Contemporary Craft will be up December 5, 2014 through January 31, 2015 at the Wayne Art Center in Wayne, PA. The entry deadline is September 12th. See www.craftformsentry.org/ for more information and the prospectus.

Future Meetings (Mike Colella)

Please call Mike Colella at 301-942-2853 with your ideas

2014-2015 Meeting Schedule		
<p>January 9, 2014 Mark Supik</p>	<p>February 6 2014 William Peirce</p>	<p>March 13 2014 Chuck Engstrom</p>
<p>April 17 2014 * David Ellsworth</p>	<p>May 8 2014 TBD</p>	<p>June 12 2014 Warren Carpenter</p>
<p>July 10 2014 TBD</p>	<p>August 7 2014 TBD</p>	<p>September 11 2014 Molly Winton</p>
<p>October 9 2014 TBD</p>	<p>November 6 2014 TBD</p>	<p>December 11 2014 Annual Members Critique Meeting</p>
<p>January 8, 2015 TBD</p>	<p>February 5 2015 TBD</p>	<p>March 5 2015 TBD</p>

* one week later than normal

2014 Skills Enhancement and Maintenance Schedule

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Membership Application Form and Interest Profile

MCW Membership Application forms available at: <http://montgomerycountywoodturners.org/>

To become a member or renew, please print out, complete and either mail it or personally deliver it to Bill Autry along with a check for \$20.00, payable to Montgomery County Woodturners. New membership in the 2nd quarter is \$15, 3rd quarter \$10, and 4th quarter \$5. A Family membership is \$30.00/yr. Please ensure you include your email address, as all communications are electronic via our website and periodic email notifications.

Member Discount Program

EXOTIC LUMBER, INC. FREDERICK, MARYLAND – www.exoticlumberinc.com

With over 130 species in stock, Exotic Lumber has one of the widest selections available on the East Coast. We offer a 10% discount to MCW members. We have warehouse locations in Gaithersburg and Annapolis, where you are welcome to select from our extensive selection of turning blocks.



HARDWOODS, INC. FREDERICK, MARYLAND – hardwoodsincorporated.com

10% off on all turning stock, lumber, moldings, finishes and hardware. 10% off on all Amana router bits and blades that list for \$75.00 and under and 20% off those that list for over \$75.00. 5% off all plywood and veneer products.



2SAND.COM – 2sand.com or call 800/516-7621

2Sand.com is a coated abrasive specialist focused on fast service and fair prices providing superior sanding discs, sandpaper sheets, and woodturning tools to woodshops. MCW Member Discount is 10% (discount code available in the restricted area of the MCW Website).



ROCKVILLE WOODWORKERS CLUB – woodworkersclub.com

MCW and other club members, remember to support the Woodworkers Club by purchasing turning supplies during our meetings and save 10% on the retail price.



CRAFT SUPPLIES USA – woodturnerscatalog.com

Club members can save 10% on all finishes & disc abrasives from Craft Supplies USA.

Just mention your club name and save, all year long. You can always see current club specials by clicking on the members login button on their homepage. New 15% specials are updated on the 1st of the month, which can be accessed on the link above and going to the club member login located at the lower right portion of the page.



HARTVILLE TOOL CLUB – hartvilletool.com

Members get a 15% discount, with MCW receiving a 3% rebate. If you have not signed up for this program, let Stan Wellborn know you want to do so. He will let Hartville know you are an MCW member and sign you up. Catalogs and ordering instructions are available at meetings.





Montgomery County Woodturners - A local chapter of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW)

MCW Contact Information

OFFICERS

President	Tim Aley
President Emeritus	Bert Bleckwenn
Vice President	Gary Guenther
Treasurer	Phil Brown
Program Chair	Michael Colella
Membership	Elliot Schantz
Secretary	Jack Enders
Webmaster	Carl Powell
Newsletter Editor	Mark Verna

VOLUNTEERS

Web Albums	Tim Aley, Michael Colella, Gary Guenther
Show & Tell Recording	Richard Webster
Mentor Program	Donald Couchman
Gallery Photography	Michael Colella, Jeff Tate, Hal Burdette
Photography Assistant	
Lending Library	Clif Poodry
Audio /Video	Matt Radtke, Bert Bleckwenn
Challenge Coordinator	Elliot Schantz
Wood Identification	Ed Karch
Candid Photography	Tim Aley, Gary Guenther
Exhibit Committee	Phil Brown, Hal Burdette, Russ Iler
Skills Enhancement Coordinator	Bert Bleckwenn
Warrior Support Program	Don Van Ryk
Clean-Up Committee	Paul Simon