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Dinner Is Served!

There's two things you need to know about the January luncheon and turning competition. One, Dave Morrical was in charge of the food. Two, you need to send in the reservation form from page seven of this newsletter or you won't get in! On the first point, you can bet that there will be plenty to eat and that it's going to be tasty. Out of all the tasks that come across our President's desk, this is the one that doesn't get delegated to anyone. And you all know that Morrical knows something about eating. As far as the reservations go, we need to be able to give the banquet hall a head count of how many meals to prepare for our party, so there just isn't going to be anything available if your registration form doesn't get in Jim Goethel's hands by January 11th. Make plans now to attend and send in the form for you, your spouse or anyone else you'd

like to bring. Keep in mind that the charge for you is only \$5 if you have a contest entry. It should be quite an event and a



great chance to mingle with spouses and view some fabulous turnings. Look to the right for directions to The Grove. The starting time is 10:00 am and the doors should be open by 9:30 am to make registration a little easier. \$10 covers your meal and drinks (coffee, tea, pop, etc.) and a cash bar is available. Hope to see everyone for lunch on the 15th!

OVWG Turning Competition Classes

Here, once again, is the criteria used to establish the Turner Classifications the OVWG uses for its turning competitions:

- **Master Turner** - any member who has won 1st place two or more times in any previous OVWG competitions.
- **Advanced Turner** - any member who has won 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in the Novice Class, or any new member who has placed in other competitions before joining OVWG.
- **Novice Turner** - all remaining entrants.

All new members of OVWG should enter at their appropriate skill level.

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Club Calendar

JANUARY

15th
Club Luncheon & Contest
The Grove
Finneytown OH



Maple Burl form by Keith Bundy.

19th
Executive Committee Meeting to be held.

FEBRUARY

12th
OVWG Demo for Cincinnati Woodworkers
Northminster Church
Compton Road

19th
Club Meeting
Hurshel Smith Demo
Northminster Church
Compton Road

20th
Hands-On Class with Hurshel Smith
Gill Russ' Shop
Loveland OH

23rd
Executive Committee Meeting to be held.

MARCH

19th
Club Meeting
Donald Derry Demo
Northminster Church
Compton Road

20th
Hands-On Class with Donald Derry
Woodcraft classroom
Fairfield OH

23rd
Executive Committee Meeting to be held.



NIP vase turned by Mark Twigg.

APRIL

16th
Club Meeting
Phil Brennon Demo
Northminster Church
Compton Road

17th
Hands-On Class with Phil Brennon
Woodcraft classroom
Fairfield OH

20th
Executive Committee Meeting to be held.

MAY

6th-8th
OVWG Demo & Sale
Appalachian Festival
Coney Island
Cincinnati OH

21st
Club Meeting
Bill Sullivan Demo
Northminster Church
Compton Road

22nd
Hands-On Class with Bill Sullivan
Woodcraft classroom
Fairfield OH

25th
Executive Committee Meeting to be held.

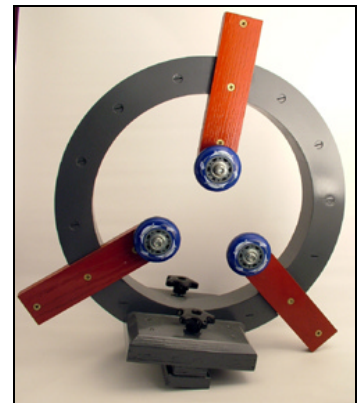
JUNE

18th
Zeller Annual Picnic & Turning Contest
Symmes Township Park
Loveland OH

22nd
Executive Committee Meeting to be held.



Nittmann-style pots turned, burned and colored by Bruce Gibson.



Industrial-strength steady rest courtesy of David Attenberg.



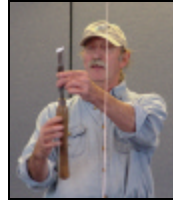
Pierced lidded box by Chris Erwin.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Committee meets every month on the Wednesday following the normal club meeting date. Committee meetings are held at 5:00 pm at Woodcraft in Fairfield, in their training classroom. All OVWG members in good standing are eligible to attend meetings, but only Executive Committee members are eligible to vote.

November Meeting A Step Back In Time

Watching Don Weber working on the pole lathe without the benefit of electricity, let alone a fancy 4-jawed chuck or anything else we take as necessities for our own turning, it was amazing to see the results that came from his efforts. Don's woodworking covers just about everything and his chairs are things of beauty. He offers classes on building pole lathes, making Windsor chairs and even tool making and blacksmithing. What a great excuse to visit Paint Lick, Kentucky and visit a place that seems to have been missed by the march of time. Thanks for the visit, Don!



2004-2005 Elected Officers

- **President:** Dave Morrical
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Demonstration meetings generally held
the 3rd Saturday of the month
8:30 am to 3:30 pm

Annual Membership \$25
(\$20 for AAW members)
Includes monthly newsletter

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THE ORIGINAL POINT AND CLICK INTERFACE WAS A SMITH & WESSON.

WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU GET SCARED HALF TO DEATH TWICE?

Silver Fox Says:

NEVER TEST THE DEPTH OF THE WATER WITH BOTH FEET.

MONEY WILL BUY A FINE DOG, BUT ONLY KINDNESS WILL MAKE HIM WAG HIS TAIL.



THERE ARE WORSE THINGS THAN GETTING A CALL FOR A WRONG NUMBER AT 4AM; IT COULD BE THE RIGHT NUMBER!

President's Letter



President Dave addresses club members at the November meeting.

I hope you all had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Did Santa bring you a new lathe, a new chisel or was your tool bag filled with switches and lumps of coal? That was what I was told I would get for Christmas if I was a bad little boy, coal and switches.

The 2005 season will start with our January Luncheon and Contest. You will find an entry form elsewhere in the newsletter. We will have the

luncheon at the same place as last year, The Grove in Finneytown. You will find directions on the web site and in the newsletter. The Grove is just around the corner, on Winton Road, from the church where we have our regular meetings. The meeting is Saturday, January 15 starting at 10 am. We hope the weather is better this year. Charge for members not having a contest entry and guests will be \$10.00. As an incentive, members with an entry will be charged \$5.00. Send your fees to Jim Goethel not later than Tuesday, January 11.

Our lineup of "pro" turners for the first half of the year includes: February--Hurshel Smith, www.woodcreationsbyhursh.com. Hurshel does segmented work and has won many prizes for his turnings. March--Donald Derry, www.donalderry.com. Donald is from Washington state and is known for his coloring of wood. April--Phil Brennon. Phil is

president of the AAW and is known for carving and surface treatments. May--Bill Sullivan. Bill's specialty is Norfolk Island Pine turning. He will bring a supply of Norfolk Island Pine for sale.

Don't forget dues are due by the end of the year. You could send in your dues and your January luncheon fees at the same time. Fees for the February through May "pro demonstrators" will be \$10 for each meeting, including lunch, with hands-on the following day for \$50 per person with a limit of 6. There will be 3 audit positions available at \$30 for each of the hands-on sessions. The hands-on must be sold out before we will make the audit positions available.

There will be a list of volunteer opportunities available in the newsletter (page 5); please check them over and contact John Lannom to help out. We need people to help run the various operations of the club and keep the high level of programs that we offer. Our club is well known and respected by the AAW, by pro turners, regional turning clubs and their members. In order to keep this level of achievement we need your help. Please volunteer.

The club just finished a successful display of members work at the Troy-Hayner Museum in Troy, Ohio and is now displaying turnings at The Pendleton Art Center in Rising Sun, Indiana. These venues are a wonderful way to display and sell our woodturning and to spread the word about woodturning. It would be great to see more members get involved in these displays. That's it for now, see you at the January luncheon. Keep turning round.

David

Rising Sun, Indiana

Again this year the OVWG has been invited to display (and sell!) their turnings at the Pendleton Art Center in Rising Sun, Indiana. This refurbished brick building near the banks of the Ohio River makes a great setting to show off the beautiful work of our members and presents them in a different venue from which most of us normally have a chance at. The turnings will be displayed for almost two months in this gallery setting. Contact John Lannom and start making plans to have your work displayed with this show in December 2005.



OVWG Volunteer Opportunities

We are trying to spread the wealth at the meetings. Identified below are some of the areas we feel could be handled by a person or committee without placing too much of a burden on any one person. Anyone wishing to help, contact John Lannom at jlannom@fuse.net or 513.683.3129.

- Mentor Program Leader - Coordinate members needing assistance with Mentors
- Librarian - Order and handle Guild Tapes
- Wood Exchange Leader - Coordinate members wanting to swap wood
- Meeting Food Leader - Arrange for food delivery at meetings
- Audio/Video Leader - Be responsible for setting up and handling at meetings
- Digital Photo Leader - Take pictures of instant gallery and contest winners at meetings



Video Library Growing

The OVWG video library has been continually growing due to the diligence of the tape keeper, Joe Keeler. Be sure to check out the selection before the next meeting and see what might be on-hand to help you with your turning education.

If you have a video that's been out for a while, please bring it back so someone else can enjoy it too. The next step would be for Joe to contact his lawyer acquaintance downtown, and, well, you don't want to know the rest.



Hands-On Classes

Check the calendar on page 2 and see which demonstrators are offering hands-on classes during their visit, and then contact John Lannom (513.683.3129 or jlannom@fuse.net) to reserve your spot. What a great way to improve your turning skills at the right price!



Earl Choromokos receives personal attention from David Nittmann.

Artistry In Wood

I know what you're thinking, and trust me, the same thought crossed my mind, too. Jim Burrowes and Lowell Converse have a bunch of ribbons and they trade off every year so one of them looks like the top dog up at the Artistry in Wood show held in Dayton. Well, I checked my sources and it is true that they are always the big winners, but no one is sure of why there is the "every other year" pattern. This year was Lowell's turn to bask in the spotlight (while Jim was busy selling everything in sight!) and next year it'll probably be reversed again. The show is each November and is certainly worth the trip. Congrats to both Jim and Lowell!



CLASSIFIEDS!

ANCHORSEAL \$6 / gallon
This green wood end-sealer is available in 1, 2 or 5 gallon containers.
Contact: Pete Kekel
859.525.4092
2ndnature@fuse.net

SANDING SUPPLIES
Disks available in 80, 100, 120, 150, 180, 220, 320, 400, 600, & 800 grits.
Packed 25 per bag.
2" round - .16 each
3" round - .17 each
2" wavy - .19 each
3" wavy - .22 each
Mandrels, interface pads and other abrasive products also available.

FINISHES
Pure Walnut Oil, 16 oz - \$8.00
Walnut Oil & Wax, 8 oz - \$7.50

Please call for details.
Contact: John Albachten
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John@agoodturn.com

NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome our newest (and returning) members:

Carl Hauser, Sr. - Cincinnati OH
Art Raczynski - Fairfield OH
Stephen Benner - Independence KY

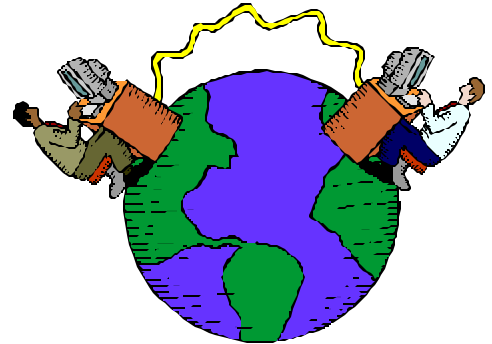
IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Has everyone seen the new magazine for woodturners called Woodturning Design? I can't believe anyone could possibly say no, but just in case it's slipped by you, head to the newsstands now (or go to www.woodturningdesign.com) and get a copy. There is a new series of articles focusing on beginning woodturning and it's being written by our very own **Robert Gulley**, an OVWG member living in Kentucky. Tell Robert congratulations next time you see him!

AAW Survey On Line

In order to make the AAW and the American Woodturner Journal more responsive to your ideas and input, you are asked to visit <http://www.woodturner.org/> and take the short AAW Winter 2004 online survey. This survey wants your input and opinion on topics for articles or features that could appear regularly in the American Woodturner. What is your interest in topics under consideration for feature articles (3 to 6 pages). Give feed back as to your interest in the various articles in the recent winter issue of the Journal. Most important of all, let us know what the AAW can do to help you and your chapter. This survey is for professionals and amateurs alike.

This survey will be available from now through January 15th. Please take it and help the AAW Board understand what you really like and want.



Be sure to check out the club web site at:
www.ovwg.org
to stay updated with the latest turning news.

OVWG MENTORS

If you would like help getting started or working out a problem, feel free to call any of the names listed below. As always, there is **NO CHARGE** to members of the Ohio Valley Woodturners Guild.

Northeast/Tri-County:	Earl Choromokos 513.771.5908 Bruce Gibson 513.522.2515 Dave Morrical 513.771.5205
Loveland:	John Lannom 513.683.3129
Kenton County, KY:	Pete Kekel 859.525.4092
Campbell County, KY:	Keith Bundy 859.781.5414
East Side:	Gary Brackett 513.553.7474 Joe Keeler 513.233.0493
Dayton:	Jim Burrowes 937.878.8051 Lowell Converse 937.426.2646 René Keyzer-André 937.277.4717

Contact: Dave Morrical, Mentoring Chairman,
with any changes, or if you'd like to join this great group of talented volunteers.

January Luncheon And Contest Sign Up

I, _____, am ready for some woodturning camaraderie and good food. Please sign me up for our annual luncheon. I know the cost is \$10 for myself and then another \$10 each for anyone else that I bring. However, I can reduce the charge for myself to just \$5 if I bring an entry for the turning contest and fill out this form to place my hollow form in the proper category.

I **am / am not** entering the turning contest. Please place my entry in the _____ Novice _____ Advanced _____ Master category (pick one).

Total money enclosed: Myself (either \$5 or \$10) _____

Number of guests _____ @ \$10 each = _____

Total _____

Checks made payable to OVWG. Your money and this form needs to reach

Jim Goethel, 9966 Thornwood Court, Cincinnati OH 45241

on or before January 11 to reserve your spot at the dinner table.

Membership Dues for 2005 Now Being Collected

Membership dues for 2005 will be collected now until the end of January, but all dues must be paid in full by the end of that month (January 2005). We will update our roster and mailing list at that time and anyone who has not paid their dues will be left out. Your dues can be mailed to **Jim Goethel, 9966 Thornwood Court, Cincinnati OH 45241**, or given to him at one of the monthly meetings. Please make checks payable to Ohio Valley Woodturners Guild (OVWG). If you are a member in good standing of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW), your annual OVWG dues are \$20; if you are not a member of AAW, the dues are \$25. Dues for student members (18 years and younger) are \$5 per year. Please fill out the attached form and include it with your check.

2005 OVWG Membership Renewal Form

Dues are payable now. They are \$25 annually. A \$5 discount is applied to AAW members making their total \$20.

_____ I am a member of the AAW (Membership number _____). Remittance \$20

_____ I am not a member of the AAW. Remittance \$25

_____ I am 18 years or younger. Remittance \$5

Name: _____ Date: _____



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got wood?

*January
Contest Entry
Form on page 7!*

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED!

New Shop In New Carlisle

Well, as the saying goes, "If you want something done right, you just have to do it yourself." Jim Burrowes studied various models, including Buckeye Stadium in Columbus and the Rose Bowl in Pasadena before settling on something a bit more quaint and intimate



for his new wood shop. His boys are hoping this will be the last barn raising they'll have to attend for some time. More pictures will follow as the progress continues. What are the odds that these walls will have 6" of insulation?