



January 14th Meeting Presentation is Finial Boxes by Harvey Klein

Harvey Klein restarted his woodturning in 1997, not having turned since high school. He joined the Bay Area Woodturners Association as a way of meeting other turners and learning more. Through the club he had the opportunity to take workshops from some very well known turners such as Judy Ditmer, Lyle Jamison, Jean-Francois Escoulen, Mike Darlow, Dave Springett and demonstrations from many others.

He found the joy of turning smaller objects such as boxes, miniature vessels, lace bobbins and pens was very rewarding and challenging. From this he decided to share with others some of the knowledge that was shared by others. That led Harvey to teaching and doing demonstrations. He started teaching at Woodcraft when the store first opened and has taught on and off since.



The President's Message *By Jim Rodgers*

Happy New Year to all Bay Area Woodturners! Welcome to another year of activity, sharing, learning and friendship.

First I wish to thank the officers and directors of 2005 who have completed their service and assisted Bill's team in accomplishing another great year. Robert, Brad and Denise will continue to provide great resources to all of us.

2006 will be far easier for me as many of the experienced officers have chosen to continue to serve in their former capacities. This year look to these people to lead the club:

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The Bay Area Woodturner's Association is a local chapter of the American Association of Woodturners. Our purpose is to provide a meeting place for local turners to share ideas and techniques and to educate the general public regarding the art of turning. The Association meets the second Saturday of each month at the Senior Center in San Ramon. The Association periodically sponsors exhibitions and demonstration by local and internationally known turners.

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BAWA Officers Meeting Notice

BAWA Board of directors meetings are held at Denica's Cafe (in the same center as WoodCraft) 8AM to 9:30AM. On the day of the scheduled club meeting. Board meetings are open to all members. Contact Jim Rodgers if you would like to be on the agenda.

Club Meeting Dates & Topics 2006

January 14: Harvey Klein--
Small Boxes

February 11: Saw Dust Ses-
sion—4 Lead turners

March 11: Vacuum Chucking
Rich Sherry

April 15:** Ornamental Turn-
ing—Jon Sauer

May 13: Featured Turner
(TBA)

June 10: Summer Picnic
4 Mini Demos

July 8: Faceted Turning
Andrew Baxter & Dale
Anderson

August 12: Saw Dust Session
4 Lead turners

September 9: Decoration
Denise Derosé

October 14: Christmas Gifts
4 Mini Demos

November 11: Potters Presen-
tation—Walnut Creek
Potters

December 9: Annual Competi-
tion & Party

Turner's Tidbits

Visit the BAWA Website for a wealth of useful information. The URL is:
<http://www.bayareawoodturners.org/>

Save Your Woodcraft Receipts

By special arrangement, the club has secured a way for BAWA to receive a 3% rebate from WoodCraft for each dollar spent in the Dublin store. It is an important source of income to BAWA. Remember to bring your receipts (or copies) and deposit them in the collection box at the next meeting.

During 2005 we collected \$312.06

December Wood Raffle

Ros Harper

Thanks to the following for their contributions to the Wood Raffle:

Brad Adams: Camphor

Dave Lambert: Various bowl blanks

Bring some spare wood for the next wood raffle—it is a great way to clean out your shop and help support the club and your fellow woodturners.

2006 BAWA Dues Are Due

Club dues for (2006) are now due. Your \$40 is probably one of the best investments in woodturning that you can make. BAWA membership offers a great forum for learning, a lending library with the latest books, tools and videos for you, and access to the BAWA Store which offers exotic woods, glue product, sandpapers and other turning materials at great prices (which can easily save you the cost of membership alone). Give your checks to Treasurer Bob Ellis or Membership Chairman Bill Mellberg.

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Jerry Decker has agreed to coordinate the educational activities for BAWA and has formed a team to recommend an educational strategy. Already he has gained agreement from Woodcraft to provide free classroom space for workshops and seminars at their facility. Jerry and his team will complete its initial recommendations in January.

Rich Sherry has planned an exciting year with a mix of formal presentations, work sessions, mini- demos, parties etc. I think there will be something for everyone!

Bill Small, as Member-At-Large, will personally contact each new member to help them get integrated into the exciting world of wood turning and connected with the Club resources they desire.

My personal goals for 2006 are:

- Provide programs, activities, development opportunities for all members
- Identify and develop future chapter leaders
- Involve all membership levels in the club activities
- Connect with the community
- Establish Bay Area Woodturners as the premier woodturning organization in the SFO Bay Area

As always our success comes from each of sharing, participating and learning. Let's have a great year.

JimR

Leo's Corner
By Leo Lichtman

I regret that this is to be my last "Leo's Corner." With the close of the year 2005, I have allowed my membership in BAWA to expire. This is not due to any dissatisfaction with the group--in fact, my six plus years as a member have been among the most enjoyable and rewarding I have ever experienced in any organization. I have learned a lot, and made a lot of friends, and I will miss the group a lot. My problem is related to my wife's health. Shortly after I joined BAWA, my wife underwent quadruple heart bypass surgery, followed by two strokes. Her health has deteriorated slowly in the last few years, to the point where I am not comfortable leaving her home alone.

I still hope to keep in touch with the many friends I have made in this group, and maybe I'll find a way to attend an occasional meeting. My offer to do welding for club members (and ex-members) still stands. Feel free to contact me if I can be of any help. Thanks to everyone for a great several years, and Happy New Year to everyone. I'm sure the group will continue to thrive under its new leadership.

Editors Note: I would personally like to thank Leo for his work in writing a very interesting and thought provoking column for each month's BAWA Newsletter. Many members have told me that Leo's Corner was the first thing they read in the newsletter. We will all miss you, and hope that your wife's health improves. Please join us again if you are able. Fred D



Mike Serpa's Textured Bowl. Mike and Denise DeRose have joined forces with a new, great website. Check it out at www.turn-two.net



Jeff Tanner shows off his segmented bowl



Brad Adams-Redwood Urn



President Jim Rodgers made 3 small vessels using the layering techniques described in the Winter 2005 issue of the American Woodturner



Mark Dolim's spalted Pecan Platter



Mike Maney showed another of his attractive lamns. He is looking for a source of



Bob Brumage — Miniature Chair

Foster a Dream Top Off

During the month of December, I had the pleasure of working with Foster Children during the Foster a Dream Holiday Event. This event was set up to present donated Christmas gifts to our communities foster children.

The children also had opportunities play games, catch snow flakes in a wind tunnel, burn CDs, and join in with Holiday crafts. BAWA also demonstrated turning during this event. About 260 Children were able to watch and participate as Tops, Dreidels, Snowmen and Christmas Trees were made on the spot. Many of the children were also able to decorate there tops on the lathe with Sharpie Pens. There expressions were priceless as they creates rings and spiral on there own tops.

It's a rare opportunity to work with foster children on an event of this scale. I would like to thank Rockler Woodworking and Piedmont Lumber for there generous wood donations for this project. Special thanks to Fred Deadrick for his timely donation of 60 tops. They sure came in handy when things backed up. Special thanks to every one who helped load and unload the lathe for transport.

The event was very successful from the stand point of the kids, organizers and volunteers. There are many creative ways for our club members to serve our communities. Pass along your suggestions, perhaps we can make them a reality.

Cheers
Bob Ellis



Thank You Bill Small!

Thanks Bill for all that you have done for the club as president for these past two years. Robert Whitworth presented this gavel made of Lignum Vitae by Andrew Baxter at the December meeting. Bill will continue as Member-at-large, and work as the 2006 New Member Coordinator.



Upcoming show

The Holidays are now over, which brings me to remind you that the application time is nearing for the 1st California Contours Show.

Please go to www.californiacontours2006.homestead.com and download the needed information for applying.

I will gladly accept any all applications starting now. The details are spelled out very clearly. I suggest that someone in the chapter print out copies for those not on line.

Any Questions in the North part of California, contact Bill Small at williamsmall@comcast.net or Bill Haskel in the Southern regions at bhask@adelphia.net or me at gngpaes@sbcglobal.net or at 805 929 1423.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.
George Paes

BAWA Store

Morrie Schoob has volunteered to take over the store this year and he says to check out the BAWA store for some great clearance specials.

Many thanks to Kathy and Ron Scudder for running the store this last year. You did a great job! Have a great time in your travels this coming year.



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