



**The next BAWA meeting is on February 11th at 10am in the San Ramon Senior Center.**

Last month Harvey Klein showed us how to make a lidded finial box. This month it is your turn! Jerry Decker, Dave Lambert and Bob Ellis, will lead a club sawdust session on our mini-lathes so that you can try making a box yourself. Bring your tools or use the club's, but be ready to turn. Jim Abreu will also bring his mini-lathe to demonstrate how to make a threaded box.

More details on page 3.



*The February President's Message*  
*By Jim Rodgers*

We have been able to create our first very special guest workshop which I believe will be easily fully subscribed.

Through efforts of Denise DeRose and Rich Sherry we have arranged for Irene Grefart to conduct a one-day workshop on Monday, April 10. It will be held at Denise's home in Oakland with lunch provided. Fee for BAWA members will be \$25.00, non members \$35.00. (Last month David Marks did a workshop at Woodcraft on patination; the one-day fee was \$250.00 per person.)

Irene is a past AAW presenter where she was applauded for her work in surface decorations and surface patination. Check her web page – you will also be impressed: [www.woodturndeco.com](http://www.woodturndeco.com)

Rich will advise the other AAW chapters of this demo, and accept registration on "space available" basis a little later. So check it out, register early, or risk loosing out.

See you Saturday at our first "saw dust session" where we can get hands-on with tools and techniques.

Good turning,

Jim





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**

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**January 14:** Harvey Klein--  
Small Boxes

**February 11:** Saw Dust Session—4 Lead turners

**March 11:** Vacuum Chucking  
Rich Sherry

**April 15\*\*:** Ornamental Turning—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 18\*\*:** Potters Presentation—Walnut Creek Potters

**December 9:** Annual Competition & Party

**\*\* Note meeting is on 3rd Saturday of April & November**

**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.

**January Wood Raffle**

**Ros Harper & Dave Lambert**

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

Brad Adams: Camphor, Myrtle Burl, and ???Mystery Wood???

Ken Lawhn: Camphor and a truck-load of Black Acacia 8-)

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

## February Box Making Sawdust Session

At the January BAWA meeting, Harvey Klein showed us how to make a turned fineal box. At this month's meeting, you will have a chance to try turning one yourself under the guidance of some of the club's experienced turners. We will have some of the club's mini-lathes set up to turn some boxes. The exercise of turning a box is particularly instructive in that you have to carefully think out the whole process of holding and chucking the bottom and top so that you can turn both the inside and outside as well as the top and bottom. Shown are some of Harvey's boxes, but you can come up with your own design. If you have never turned a box—here is your chance!



For all you experienced (and also the not so experienced) the Presidents Challenge for February is to turn a box and bring it in for Show & Tell. We will also have the regular Show & Tell, so bring in your latest turnings to share your work with others. Oh yes, we will also have a Wood Raffle, so bring in some of your extra wood for the raffle.



The meeting gets going around 9am, with the presentation at 10am till noon. See you there—

## BAWA Membership By Bill Mellberg

The Chapter finished the year 2005 with 105 members!

We would like to welcome the following new members:

Dennis Cardoza, Brentwood

Jim Newport, Oakland

Carl Feighner, Livermore

**Earl Barrios, Tracy**

Jeff & Diana Griffiths, Dublin

Mike Haney, Castro Valley

Bob Boston, Oakley

John Taylor, Oakley

So far 68 members have renewed their membership by paying their 2006 dues, collections continue at the regular meetings or you can mail in your \$40 check. I plan to do the membership card printing in February for distribution at the March meeting. The attendance at each meeting continues to be strong with interesting turning topics and opportunities to meet with old friends and make new contacts .

Several special interest groups were formed in '05 so there are many opportunities to get together and share common interests this year. Please remember to pick up your badge at the registration table at each meeting. If there are any issues with you contact information you can edit you own data at the BAWA website or give Robert Brumage or myself with your new information.

### January Show and Tell Photos



Left—Jerry Decker’s “Chantrelle Mushroom” form carved natural edge bowl.



Left and above—Dave Lambert showed off his first venture into carved hollow forms. Beautiful job! JJ would be pleased.



Brad Adams’ carved Camphor “Water Lily”



Segmented cookie jar by Don Koth



Feather inlaid bowl by Larry Lew. Submitted to the California Contours 2006 show.



Leonard Stanton’s deep hollow



Walnut Peppermill by Mike Haney

## Supporting the High School Wood Turning Programs

By Jan Blumer

We all have them cluttering up our shop. When we first started turning we roughed out dozens of bowl blanks and never quite got around to finishing them all. Here is an opportunity to clean up your shop and do a good deed.

As many of you know, Hal Bain, Jan Blumer and Jim Rodgers are volunteering as turning instructors in the advanced wood-working program at Campolindo High School. The program is now in the third year and has been extremely popular with the students. This year Brad Adams and Don White have joined the group which has enabled us to expand the program to a second school - Las Lomas High School in Walnut Creek.

One of our challenges is to develop a process for turning and finishing bowls from green wood. We face two problems. First, if students work on a green wood bowl over several days, it moves too much to take it to final form. Second, if students rough out a green wood bowl, they do not have the time to wait a year or more for it to dry.

We are in the process of developing a Bowl Library at both high schools. Here is how it will work. Students will rough out a green wood bowl which is good practice and can be mounted and remounted on the lathe since there is a margin of error in roughing out a bowl. The students will date and wax the bowl and then trade it for an equivalent dry bowl from the library. They then can mount the dry bowl on a glue block or chuck and finish it over several periods.

John Doyan generously got us started on this project. He cleaned out his shop last year and donated a very nice inventory to get us going. However, we now need a larger bowl library at both schools.

Although we can work around many bowls, the ideal roughed out dry wood bowl would be:

- between 8" and 12" (students like "big," but 12" is the maximum lathe diameter)
- about 3" to 4" deep (shallow bowls are easier for the first project)
- simple design (sharp curves are more difficult for beginners)
- positive tendon (fits into a chuck or glues onto a glue block)
- user friendly wood (maple, walnut etc. -not oak, etc.)

Please bring your donation to the February meeting and we will make sure they get to the schools.

Thanks for your support. Brad, Don, Hal, Jan and Jim

## 2006 Louisville AAW Symposium

You have 55 BIG reasons to register to come to the Louisville AAW Symposium. For door prizes, how about FIVE Oneway 2436 lathes free, thanks to special pricing from Oneway Manufacturing or FIFTY \$100 gift certificates donated by Packard Woodworks?

The AAW Symposium in Louisville is fast upon us. It will be Thursday, June 22, 2006 through Saturday the 24th. There are always many great reasons to attend:

There will be 30 world class demonstrators putting on 150 rotations in eleven demonstration rooms,

There will be a room where Bonnie Klein and Nick Cook will teach hands on classes to young people ages 10 through 17. The youth can register FREE when accompanied by a fully registered adult. As we did last year, we will give away 25 JET Midi lathes with stands, 25 sets of Crown tools, 25 Nova Midi-chucks and 25 face shields to 25 of the lucky youths. (Bring your kids or grand-kids)

See the world's largest instant gallery of over a thousand spectacular pieces.

Visit the Trade Show filled with the world's largest assortment of woodturning tools, equipment, wood, etc.

There will be three panel discussions featuring world famous artists J. Paul Fennell, Binh Pho, David Ellsworth, Graeme Priddle, Curt Theobald, Clay Foster, Albert LeCoff, Kevin Wallace and Giles Gilson.

We will have a great banquet and live auction. There are three great woodturning exhibitions within blocks of the symposium. For more information, go to <http://www.woodturner.org/sym/sym2006/> .

## BAWA Store Specials

By Morrie Schoob

In an effort to better meet members' demands we are clearing out many select items to make room for new and exciting items for the serious turner. These items will be clearly marked and will be **at least 50% off original marked prices**. This will allow the store to keep in stock at all times those items which you use on a "daily basis". In addition, each month we will have a special for you.

**FEBRUARY'S SPECIALS**  
**CA GLUE**  
**2 OZ. SIZES, ALL THICKNESS**  
**\$4.50**

**ALL WOOD BLANKS**  
**15% OFF MARKED PRICE**

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### Lathe For Sale

For Sale: Nova 3000 with 1 1/2 HP variable speed Leeson motor (220V). 16" swing and 45" spindle capacity with factory accessory bed extension. Includes factory stand with capability to fill legs with sand. This is a very solid machine in excellent shape. \$1100. Location Livermore, CA. Phone # 925 443-5562



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