



TURNINGS

Central Illinois Chapter

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November Meeting

The November meeting of the Central Illinois Woodturners was held at the Woodworker's Shop in Bloomington on November 11. Thirteen members attended the meeting.

Show-N-Tell

Dave Bloom---several Christmas ornaments. **Dwight Crane**---bowl from spalted sycamore and two natural form bowls from maple stump wood. **Lee Gatzmeyer**---maple lidded box, purpleheart lidded box and rattles with captive rings. **Keith Adams**---two cherry bowls and hollow ball Christmas ornaments. **Dave Kraft**---redbud gavel and two lidded boxes from honey locust. **Dave Lee**---candle stick holder from douglas fir and bass-wood bowl. **Keith Zimmerman**---bowls from mulberry and spalted maple.

Demonstration topics

Is there anything in particular you would like to see demonstrated? If so, send an e-mail to me at carroll@dpc.net with the topic or let us know at a meeting.

Production spindle turning
Setting up a lathe
(aligning centers)
Working with green wood
Outboard turning
Jam chucking
Reverse chucking
Working with punky wood

December meeting

There will be NO meeting in December. The top-a-thon will take the place of our regularly scheduled meeting.

Shirts

Bob Adam raised a question at the November meeting regarding membership interest in purchasing shirts embroidered with the club name. The shirt Bob brought to the meeting looked to be of very good quality. Prices for the shirts start at \$14.50. There is a \$20 set up charge for each order. We can discuss this at the next meeting.

Top-a-thon

The top-a-thon will be held Saturday, December 7 at the Woodcraft store in Peoria. The hours are from 10am-3pm. The proceeds from the sale of the tops, bowls, etc. will go to the Children's Home of Peoria. Woodcraft will also take in homemade toys to give to the home. All CIW members are invited to participate in this event.

Web site

Some expressed an interest in a Central Illinois Woodturners web site. John Weible volunteered to set up the site. John says he hopes to have it up and running soon.

Open House

The Woodworker's Shop in Bloomington is having its annual open house November 22 and 23. Hours are 9-6 on Friday, the 22nd and 9-4 on Saturday, the 23rd. Dave Kraft and Keith Adams volunteered to turn on Friday and Bob Adam and Dave Bloom will be turning on Saturday. Thanks for your participation.

November meeting

Keith Adams and Dave Bloom gave a demonstration on vacuum chucking at the November meeting. Dave's vacuum pump was a unit he purchased, while Keith's was a system he built using the air conditioner compressor from an old Mustang. Both systems performed well. Keith explained how his chucks are used and demonstrated the holding power of his system. Dave gave a lathe demonstration using his system. The demo was very informative and we thank Dave and Keith for their help.