



TURNINGS

Central Illinois Chapter

Newsletter for Central Illinois Woodturners

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Note from the Editor

Welcome to the first issue of *Turnings* located on the web. I have laid it out in the manner you see as a starting point. If anyone has any ideas for changes, please [email me](#) and I will try your idea. If it looks good (and I can do it), I will incorporate it in future issues. I have only included one picture in this newsletter so that those with dial-up will not have to wait too long for the page to load. I have put a link in the Show and Tell section that goes to another page with pictures. There may also be links to other documents. They will be easily identified with a *Read More* link. They will always be in pdf format and will require Acrobat Reader to read them. I will eventually be adding a link on the site to download Reader if you don't have it. Enjoy this first issue, and let me know what you think. -Keith

November Meeting

The November meeting was held at Mill Works in Bloomington, on November 14.

Guests

Rick Bucker was a guest this month. He also joined the club. Welcome to the club, Rick.

Old Business

Shirt Order

Dave Kraft collected money for shirts and will be placing the order.

Funks Grove Festival

Eight turners participated in the Funks Grove event. \$107 in donations was collected for the Top-a-thon.

Treasurer's Report

Paul reported our account balance. This is before collecting 2006 dues which are due. Dues continue to be \$20 for this year.

New Business

AAW Dues

Terry reminded members to pay their AAW dues before Jan. 15 to be eligible to win a Delta lathe. If the winner belongs to a club, the club also receives one. Members who pay early also receive a sharpening DVD. [Read more](#)

2006 Officers

Terry Quiram will remain president, Greg Ferkol will continue as vice president. Paul Cobb will remain the club treasurer. Keith Zimmerman will become the webmaster and newsletter editor. Dennis Belcher was elected librarian and Dave Carroll will be secretary.

New Website

Keith discussed the website. CentralllinoisWoodturners.com was approved as our new domain name.

Non-profit Status

Questions were raised about being a non-profit organization. After some discussion it was decided Greg Ferkol would head up a group to look into it.

Top-a-thon

December 10 at Woodcraft, 9:00 until ?? Proceeds go to the Children's Home. This will take the place of a formal meeting in December. All turners are welcome to spend the day at Woodcraft.

2006 Turning Demos

Terry has contacted some professional turners. The club gave its approval for a Saturday demo and Sunday hands-on with Alan Lacer. Rick Bucker is going to contact Bob Rosand to see when he would be available. More later regarding demo dates.

Stump the Chump

Terry introduced "Stump the Chump". This gives the new and inexperienced turners a chance to ask any questions they may have. Terry and other experienced turners will try to provide the answers.

Reminder:

Woodcraft is still accepting your Freedom Pen donations, so make a pen or two and drop them off at the store.

Show and Tell

Dick Coers - small lidded box containing several small tops, figured ash winged bowl.

Dave Bloom - hard maple nested bowls.

Dave Harmer - miniature bird houses.

Jerry Rhoads - tops, bottle stoppers.

Dennis Belcher - several pens.

Keith Zimmerman - bowl from Siberian elm burl.

Matt Wiegand - stool with turned legs and stretcher.

Mike Haskell - maple and walnut tree topper.

Jerry Sievers - miniature vessels, Christmas ornaments and display stand, tree topper.

Jim Meizelis - tops, several bowls from spalted hickory and hackberry.

Dwight Crane - colored maple bowls.

Dave Kraft - snowman pens.

Greg Ferkol - tops and femispheres.

[Click here](#) for pictures to go along with the descriptions of the Show and Tell.

November's Program:

This month's President's Challenge was to turn 5 - 10 tops. As part of turning the tops, we held a long spin contest with 13 members participating. The three longest spins and the shortest spin took home the prizes. Dave Carroll took first place with a time of 1:49.66; Dave Bloom was second at 1:37.34; Terry Quiram was third at 1:08.29; Last but not least was Bill Smith with a spin time of 4 seconds. Congratulations to each of you.



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