



BAY AREA

# WOODTURNERS

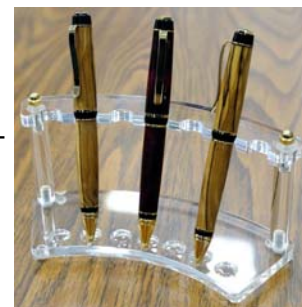
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## October Demo: Pen Turning in Living Color with Bill Mellberg

Bill's demonstration will focus on combining different materials in pen turning and assembly skills along with the tools of the trade. He will fabricate a finished pen and discuss his quest to find a personal style as well as his local sources for obtaining many of his trademark supplies. Bill invites all members to bring a self-turned pen to share at the Show and Tell on Saturday morning or bring a unique and interesting material for a future pen project.



He has been a member of the Bay Area Wood turners Association (BABA) and the American Association of Wood turners (AAW) since 2001. He is currently the Treasurer of the local chapter and has held previous positions as Membership chairman, Secretary, and Member at Large.

Employed by Lockheed Martin in Sunnyvale as a Materials and Process Engineer, Bill is a Composites Specialist in the development of Satellite and Missile structures.

Bill has always liked working with his hands using wood and plastic, so after taking an industrial design class at Chico State College, he changed his major to Fine Arts. Graduating from Chico State in 1973 with a BA degree in Fine Arts and a minor in English, Bill transferred to San Jose State University to study under Fletcher Benton, a prominent local artist in kinetic sculpture. He graduated from SJSU with a Masters degree in Sculpture and Design in 1974.





The Bay Area Woodturners 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 usually meets the second Saturday of each month at the Castro Valley High School cafeteria. The Association periodically sponsors exhibitions and demonstration by local and internationally known turners.

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## Club Meetings

Meetings are the 2nd Saturday of each month unless otherwise noted.

8:30 doors open for setup, use store and library, swap ideas, view displays

9:30—12:30 meeting and demo

BAWA meets in the cafeteria at Castro Valley High School, located at 3870 Mabel Ave; Castro Valley.

See [www.bayareawoodturners.org](http://www.bayareawoodturners.org) for directions and club information.

**BAWA Officers Meeting -**

Officer meetings are open to all members. Contact Jim Rodgers if you would like to be on the agenda.

## 2012-2013 Event Schedule

Oct 13	Pen Turning—Bill Mellberg
Oct 18-21	3d Bi-annual Segmented Woodturning Symposium Lake Tahoe, CA
Nov 10	Tom Wirsing, Platters (tentative)
December 8	Annual Christmas Party and Club Competition
January 12	Jim Rodgers annual presentation TBD
Coming this Spring :	Local Women in Woodturning
	Mark Gardner
	Doug Fisher

# Molly Winton Demo

Molly Winton put on a great demonstration for us this month. She turned a small vessel (end grain) out of a block of Cherry she buys from the east coast. The hollowing is done with some modified Allen wrenches she has mounted onto a handle. Molly noted that turning these small vessels make nice projects, because they are quick and you don't have a lot of time or money invested in them. She feels it's a good way to practice. She'll use these mini-vessels to define the shape and practice her embellishment techniques before moving on to larger vessels. Molly also noted that she can sell them for less so it gives her a varied price point for her art work. Molly spent some time discussing the need for a good face mask/respirator.



She recently had to have some medical care for a very bad case of sinusitis that was very painful. On the advice of her doctor she now uses 90-100 micron filters when she turns. She noted that you are more susceptible to the fine particles produced when burning, so wear a mask with a vapor cartridge. Molly did a great job of showing us how to use the off the shelf wood burners and also how to make your own handles and tips. She showed her technique for designing a pattern on a turning. She encouraged us to experiment with different tips and try different temperatures to see how it will affect the wood.

*~Chris Smith~  
Nor-Cal Woodturners*

## DON'T FORGET!

Bring some of that wood you have, taking up room in your shop, to share in our monthly raffle.



Thanks to the following people who contributed to the September wood raffle:

**Brad Adams** -- Pear and Poplar  
**Roz Harper** -- Silver Maple, Red Ash and some Mystery Wood  
**Bill Walzer** -- Acacia

## Fill 'er up



How to easily fill a bucket from your sink.  
Keep picture away from the wife!

*~Colin MacKenzie~  
Silicon Valley Woodturners*

## RENEWAL TIME

It is that time of year again. If you have not already renewed, we would appreciate it if you could bring \$40 in cash or a check made out to BAWA to the next meeting.

Please remember that the \$40 charge is, in reality, the bargain of the century. We are fortunate in having the use of the facility at Castro Valley High School without specific cost to us. However in return we donate equipment, time and labor to the woodshop. This organization could not survive without dedicated efforts of volunteers who do everything from running the cameras to organizing the bookstore. New members may not be aware of the amount of time donated by our members for all of these activities. This allows the club to keep the annual dues down to a low \$40, which helps us pay for guest speakers and other essential purchases.

Please do your part and renew early so that we can have our financial house in order by the end of the year. It also helps your volunteer membership committee to get the renewals done in a couple of meetings, and have more time to enjoy speakers ourselves!

*~Hugh Bevan -Thomas and Karen Rice~*

## CRAFT SUPPLIES 13% DISCOUNT ORDER

The 13% discount applies to any published price (including sale items, close-outs, etc.) and there are no tax or S&H charges. You can find full details on the Craft Supplies Club 13% Discount Program in the April 2012 newsletter.

Craft Supplies has a new catalog that includes new items, and there have been some price increases as well. Look on-line to pick your loot and check prices.

Orders are placed with Norm Robinson by e-mail: ([normrobinson@hotmail.com](mailto:normrobinson@hotmail.com))

- Fill out an electronic order form which Norm can e-mail to you
- Send Norm the pertinent information.
- Catalog item number, catalog page number if possible,
- Item description
- Quantity ordered and the total price before 13% discount. Please don't use old catalogs as the prices will be incorrect
- Call Norm (415-420-3492) to place an order and follow up with an e-mail to confirm all the information required.
- If you have already placed an order you might send Norm e-mail reminder.

Dean Adkins

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## Fall Donation Drive for CVHS Wood Shop

Last year BAWA supported the CVHS Wood Shop with donations of Titebond glue at the start of the school year. That donation was so successful that there's plenty of glue for this year, so the executive committee is asking the membership to meet other needs this year.

We enjoy meeting at Castro Valley High School and this is a financial offset we embrace. The membership supports the Wood Shop with purchases, donations and labor. Each member contributes something thru their dues, but many members also donate spare tools, equipment or materials to the Wood Shop. Many of you donate labor and expertise at work parties or on special projects. This is another opportunity to help the club as well as the Wood Shop, particularly if you have not donated in the past!

Wayne has identified several items that the Wood Shop needs for the students during the coming school year:

### Wood Finishing Supplies:



- WATCO Danish Oil in natural, walnut, cherry or oak finish (Woodcraft, Orchard Supply, Home Depot) prefer quart size minimum
- HUT Crystal Coat (Woodcraft #141049)
- Ultra Gloss Plastic Polish (Woodcraft #129302)
- Mineral Oil (Safeway, Wal-Mart, Target, etc.)

**The Advanced Wood Shop** class is building Adirondack chairs and requires the following hardware in bulk quantities:

- 1-5/8" or 1-3/4" deck screws, tan color (Home Depot Deck Mate SKU 734821, Orchard Supply)
- 1/4"-20 x 2" long galvanized Carriage bolts (Home Depot, Orchard Supply)
- 1/4"-20 galvanized hex nuts (Home Depot, Orchard Supply)
- 1/4" galvanized flat washers (Home Depot, Orchard Supply)
- 1/4" galvanized lock washers (Home Depot, Orchard Supply)



### Bar Clamps



The Wood Shop has an additional need for bar clamps, 3/4". Pony Pipe Clamps can be purchased from Woodcraft (item #15I01), Home Depot or Orchard Supply. The clamps require 3/4" black iron pipe, in lengths of 26" which was requested by Wayne. This is a non-standard length, but Home Depot will cut and thread custom pipe lengths. Alternately, if anyone has a pipe threading machine we could buy bulk lengths of pipe and then cut and thread what the shop needs. If you are willing to donate odd lengths of 3/4" black iron pipe from your shop, please bring it to the next meeting.

All member donations will be accepted at the October and November meetings. A table will be set up to drop off and record your donation at each meeting. We have a great club, with a great place to meet! BAWA is a fantastic resource for local woodturners, additionally we enjoy the opportunity to encourage the love of wood working with others. You can make a difference in the future of our craft, please help if you can. If you've not been able to support the club in the past this is your opportunity to give back to BAWA and the CVHS students in this years' Wood Shop!

*~Bill Mellberg and Dean Adkins~*

# September Show and Tell



Robert Nolan's Native American designs just get better and better.



Jan Blumer's Finial



Open Segment Vase by Hugh Bevan-Thomas



Four design ideas Jay Holland



A beautiful gold-leafed Winged Box by Lanny Dana



Some tool designs by Mike Bulat



Left—Multi-wood spheres by Corwin Jones

Right—Bill Walzer's Turnings

