

# JUST ONE MORE CUT



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## Turning of Pepper Mills Demonstrated by Gene Gross

Club member Gene Gross stepped up to the lathe and demonstrated the making of pepper mills for the club's November meeting. As Gene had done only a few months ago, he demonstrated another of his skills when the featured speaker could not be present for the meeting.

The talk was started by covering a few safety rules, including the wearing of ear plugs, dust mask, and safety glasses.

For the demonstration, Gene started with a 3-inch square piece of wood about a foot long. The piece was centered and placed on live points on both the head and tail stocks. The piece was rough gouged at a slow speed and then sheared to round using a skew gouge.



A quarter-inch tenon was cut on the head and tail ends of the wood. And a parting cut was made about one-fourth of the way along the length.

Then the long piece (the base of the mill) was reversed into the head chuck and a  $1\frac{3}{8}$ -inch diameter hole of  $1\frac{1}{16}$ -inch length was

bored into the bottom with a Fostner bit. The drilling of the hole was continued with a spade bit.

The base was then reversed in the chuck, and drilled until the hole was completed.

With the piece jam-chucked, the outside of the base was shaped.

The middle was taken down to about  $1\frac{3}{4}$  inches in diameter using a spindle gouge and finishing with a skew chisel. The bottom and top ends of the piece was then properly contoured. At this point the piece was sanded with an electric sander using sandpaper from 180-grit down to 400-grit. The piece was now ready for finishing with pumice and oil.

The top piece of the mill, or cap, was placed into the chuck using the previously cut tenon. Another tenon was turned to a diameter smaller than the size of the hole previously drilled in the base. A recess of about  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch was drilled into the tenon for the plate of the milling mechanism. Finally, the top was rounded into a sphere.



## **Show & Tell - November 2008**



**Bill Smith -**  
Vase made from cedar and finished with lacquer



**Art Pataky -**  
15-inch platter made from Burmese teak and finished with Wadco oil.



**Steve Spurlock -**  
Bowl made from wild cherry and finished with salad-bowl finish



**Steve Spurlock -**  
Natural-edge vessel made from wild cherry and finished with tung oil

**Martin Bly -**  
Pepper mills made from various woods and finished with sanding sealer and wax



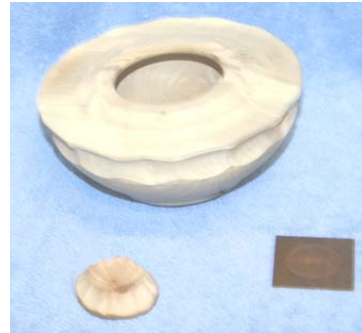
**Harvey Driver -**  
8-inch bowl made of unknown wood and finished with Danish oil and Beall buff



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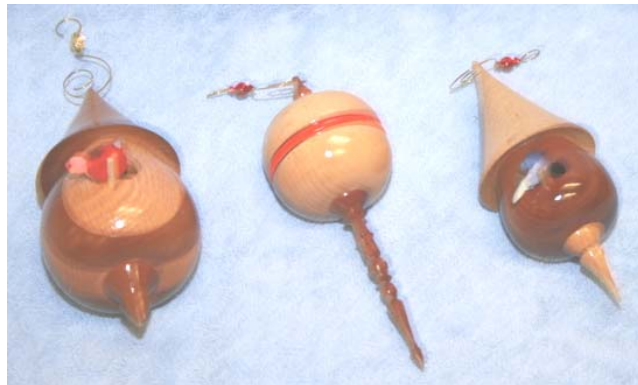
**Harvey Driver -**  
10-inch bowl made from box elder and finished with Danish oil and Beall buff



**Susan Brooks -**  
Rose engine turned vessel and F5 Rosette. Made from holly and unfinished at present.



**David McCoy -**  
Natural-edge bowl made from pecan and finished with polyurethane



**Gene Combs —**  
Bird houses (2) and ornament made from oak, cherry, and canarywood. Finished with lacquer

**Gene Combs -**  
Walking cane made of maple and bass, and finished with lacquer



**James Elden -**

Vase made from camphor and finished with preserve



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There will NO meeting of the **Steering Committee** this month.

*Merry Christmas & Happy New Year*



### UPCOMING MEETING:

**Thursday December 18, 2008 @ 7:00 p.m.**

**Location: Central Christian Church  
Lake Ivanhoe & I-4**

**Speaker/Demonstration: Santa Claus  
"The Joy of Food and Fellowship"**

**January Speaker: Stuart Batty**

## **Moments to Remember**

**18 December - Christmas Party**, at the Central Christian Church, Lake Ivanhoe

**9-11 January, 2009 - 2009 Annual Florida Woodturning Symposium**, Lake Yale Baptist Conference Center near Eustis, FL.

**13-15 January 2009 - Stuart Batty Workshop**, Richard Elenberger's shop