

# Turning Times

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CASCADE WOODTURNERS

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**NEXT MEETING: 6:45PM, THURSDAY, JANUARY 18<sup>th</sup> AT WILLAMETTE CARPENTERS TRAINING CENTER**

**Cascade Woodturners will be meeting at**

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## **CWA Presidents Message for January 2018**

Happy New Year to all. I hope this finds everyone in good health of body and soul as we enter the New Year.

2018 is already shaping up to be a very busy and fulfilling year with several world-class demonstrators on the Cascade schedule, along with the AAW International Symposium coming to Portland in June. If you have yet to attend your first AAW Symposium, this is the best opportunity you will have for many years to come. Please do not look back with regret for failing to take advantage. There is a wealth of inspiration, information and world-class woodturnings to see, along with demonstrations and panel discussions covering a wide range of woodturning interests. [www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org) has posted a complete schedule of all activities.

IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP in Cascade Woodturners.

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All CWA memberships expired at the end of 2017. Payment for membership and demonstrations/workshops is available on our website. You can still renew the “old-fashioned way” by filling out a form and giving a check or cash to Ken Kirkman at the January meeting, but you will save Ken and others on the board a lot of time and effort by renewing and paying online. After going to [www.cascadewoodturners.org](http://www.cascadewoodturners.org) click on “Join us” near the right side of the menu bar across the top and follow the prompts.

As your January demonstrator, I will focus on form and various techniques of carving and texturing to illustrate inspirational concepts. Please take a moment and look at my website, [www.jimpiper.com](http://www.jimpiper.com) . If you see something you want me to demonstrate or talk about, I’ll be glad to do so.



Jim Piper’s textured pieces

John Jordan, our first world-class woodturner on the schedule will be here in March. He was the second AAW member following David Ellsworth, and he has been sharing his knowledge of woodturning ever since. He is a master at hollow forms and his teapots are like you’ve never seen before. Everyone should make time to attend his full day demonstration, but his weekend workshop is geared towards more experienced woodturners.



John Jordan signature turnings – see more at [www.johnjordanwoodturning.com](http://www.johnjordanwoodturning.com)  
Vivien Grandouiller, an unbelievably talented and creative young woodturner from France, was recently selected to be a Professional Outreach Program demonstrator at the Symposium in June. He has tentatively agreed to the Cascade schedule for June, the week following the Symposium. He is not to be missed! [www.viviengrandouiller.fr](http://www.viviengrandouiller.fr)



See more of Vivian's work at [www.viviengrandouiller.fr](http://www.viviengrandouiller.fr) or Google Vivian Grandouiller

Nick Agar is scheduled for July with both an all day demo and a hands on class. Nick is not only a great turner, a good instructor but has an abundant sense of humor.

For all woodturners, especially those new to the craft, Dale Larson's open shop is a great opportunity to learn from and meet more experienced woodturners. You can learn which tools to use and how to sharpen and use them. If you want to learn about various wood species and how to cut a log to show its best characteristics, open shop is the place to be. All of the woodturners I know are delighted to share their knowledge with others.

Stay sharp and turn safely.

Your President,  
Jim Piper

## EDITOR'S CHOICE

I am starting my 10<sup>th</sup> year as your editor and want to take this time to recognize the leadership we have enjoyed as members of Cascade. The success of any group effort depends upon a number of individuals that provide the labors to make the organization function. Cascade Woodturners has enjoyed nearly 28 years of leadership that provided learning, support and friendship for the woodturners in the greater Portland area. Take a look at the list of past Presidents, many of whom are still active in assisting the continuation of our turning experience. Take a moment to say thanks when you see any of them.

1990 Dennis Stewart	1992 Bob Tuck	1993 Ken Leach
1994 Howard Borer	1995 Don Kemper	1996 Bill McCall
1997 Dale Larson	1998 Howard Borer	1999 Marquita Green
2000 Randy Young	2001 Laron Thompson	2002 Steve Newberry
2003 Dale Larson	2004 Bob Espen	2005/2006 Jim Hall
2007 Jerry Harris	2008 John Wirth	2009 Doug Brown
2010 Kathleen Duncan	2011 Dave Williams	2012 Gary Sundquist
2013 Ken Kirkman	2014 Pete Morrell	2015 Pete Gibson
2016 Skip Burke	2017 Harvey Rogers	

## TREASURER'S REPORT

January is membership renewal month. You will have two choices when registering/renewing your membership with the club; 1) manually using a pen or pencil and a piece of paper or 2) computer go to our home page and click on "Join Us" it is self-explanatory from there.

If you are choosing the manual method...

1. Get an envelope from me with the application enclosed.
2. Fill out the application.

If nothing has changed from last year, you can fill in your name and email address only, but please fill out those two fields so I know whose envelope it is.

3. Insert \$35 cash or a check for \$35 in the envelope. I don't carry a lot of \$5 bills to make change, so if I run out I'll consider your 2 \$20 bills your membership fee and a contribution to our general fund.
4. Tuck the flap into the envelope to keep the application and payment inside.
5. DO NOT write your name on the envelope or seal it.
6. Return the envelope to me.
7. Write your name on the membership card.

Take care  
Ken ([kenpegkirkman@gmail.com](mailto:kenpegkirkman@gmail.com))

## AAW NEWS

Happy New Year! The AAW Board and staff will be in Portland the weekend following the Cascade meeting. In addition to having our board meeting, we'll be meeting with the local symposium. This is our only meeting with the local leads prior to the symposium in June. To those who have agreed to be leads, THANK YOU! To the other club members, I hope that you'll volunteer to help. It takes hundreds of volunteers to put on a symposium for over a thousand of our best friends!

Another thing you can do is make one or several "Beads of Courage" boxes. The boxes are to hold the beads children receive for medical events and milestones. Here is something about the program:

*"The Program is a resilience-based intervention designed to support and strengthen children and families coping with serious illness. Through the program children tell their story using colorful beads as meaningful symbols of courage that commemorate milestones they have achieved along their unique treatment path."*

You can turn boxes to hold the beads, but the boxes don't necessarily have to be turned. The recommended interior dimensions for turned boxes are: 6" diameter (5" minimum) X 5" width (4" minimum). Flat work recommended dimensions are: 4" X 6" X 4". For more information see: <http://www.beadsofcourage.org/pages/woodturners.html>. Brian Harte has turned a sample BOC box. He ordered the ceramic logo bead to use on the top of his box. These might be good projects to work on at Open Shop. June will be here soon – please start working on boxes!





As always – if you'd like more information or have questions about the AAW, please contact me.

Kathleen  
[woodspinner@gmail.com](mailto:woodspinner@gmail.com)

## DALE'S CORNER

**Open Shop:** Open shop for January will be Saturday January 27 starting at about 9am. Open shop was very well attended in 2017 and we'll do as many as things allow this year. Bring an idea and your tools and we can work on it. We can set up six lathes and we have lots of experienced helpers to give you advice.

**AAW symposium planning.** The AAW board will be coming to town for their winter planning meeting January 20th. This is a chance for the local committee lead people to meet the AAW board and start the early planning for the symposium.

The AAW is already looking for and signing up volunteers to help run the symposium. It takes a lot of hands to make everything go. I can tell you that volunteering to help with the 2007 AAW symposium here in Portland changed my life. I have friends all over the country because I stepped up and volunteered. It is a great way to make contacts and new friends.

Here is how you volunteer: Go to the AAW website and click on the Portland symposium. Then click on volunteers, then on SIGNUP. It will list the committees and a short description of what is involved. You can sign up right there. You will be rewarded with the satisfaction of helping out the woodturning community and a free great AAW Portland symposium T-shirt.

Here is the direct link:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/index.cfm?go=c.SignUpSearch&eid=0DC1CFDAFBC8F862&cs=09B7BADE8FBB8B147B7D640F5BCE9BCC>

Dale

## SAFETY FIRST

Stick It!

It's my first safety article of 2018, and I am taking this opportunity to tell you to stick it!

Perhaps I should explain....

I was in the Army from 1963 to 1966. My first army base had a gym, and I used to go there when I had time off. I got to know an amazing fellow. He was born in Eastern Europe and had competed in the Olympics. He eventually immigrated to the United States, where he got a job with the Army teaching Russian to soldiers. He was probably in his sixties (at the time I thought he was impossibly old), had huge, white, handlebar mustaches, had the body of a Greek god, and wasn't quite five ft tall.

In his spare time he taught soldiers rudimentary, circus-style gymnastic tricks. Handstands, simple tumbling, stuff like that. He would congratulate us, and we would all congratulate ourselves, if we managed to do a trick, no matter that we fell to the floor in a heap after we did it.

I liked it so much that, when I got out of the Army and went back to college, I joined the gymnastics team. I learned a lot more tricks, but I didn't get much praise for doing a trick and falling to the floor in a heap.

To get credit for doing a trick, I had to finish it off gracefully. If I flew through the air, when I landed, I had to have both feet together, be standing up, and be in balance. Gymnasts call that "sticking it." It wasn't enough to do the hard part, I had to finish it off well. I had to stick it.

I was reminded of that when I was working frantically to finish a train I made for my



granddaughter this Christmas.

I wanted to encourage my two-year-old granddaughter to appreciate wood, so I was using bits of nice wood leftovers for the engine.

I found a lovely, small piece of madrone burl for the smokestack. I was designing as I built, so I guessed how big and what shape the smokestack should be, turned it, and was pleased. To finish it, I just needed to turn the bottom to fit into the half-inch hole in the boiler. That isn't hard to do, but I really didn't want to screw the smokestack up, so I was a bit anxious.

I set my calipers to my half-inch drill bit. I turned on the lathe, held my 3/8" parting tool in my right hand, rested my left arm on the headstock, held the calipers against the wood with my left hand just opposite of where the parting tool would cut, put the parting tool down on the tool rest, and started cutting.

I knew that, when the tool had cut the wood to half an inch, the calipers would slide over the wood and I'd be done. But cutting with one hand and measuring with the other always makes me fret.

I started cutting. The madrone cut easily and slowly. After a bit the caliper slid smoothly over the bottom of the smokestack. I had done it! In my delight, I wheeled away from the lathe to grab some sandpaper.

I didn't think about the fact that the lathe was still on, my left arm was still on the headstock, and my left hand was still holding the caliper behind the spinning blank.

When I wheeled away, a corner of the caliper caught on the drive center. The spinning drive center knocked the caliper into the air and ripped off one of its parts.

I had failed to stick my trick.

So I'm writing this piece, hoping that you had as much fun in your shop this holiday season as I did, and encouraging you to stick it in 2018.

Harvey Rogers, Safety Officer

### MEETING SCHEDULE 2018

DATE	DEMONSTRATOR	CHALLENGE
JAN 18	<b>Jim Piper - carving and embellishing</b>	
FEB 15	<b>Rick Rich - a stool or plant stand</b>	
MAR 15	<b>John Jordan**</b>	
APR 19	<b>Michael deforest – milk/acrylic paint</b>	
MAY 17	<b>TBAL</b>	
JUN 21	<b>Vivien Grandouiller</b>	



JUL 19	<b>Nick Agar**</b>	
AUG 16	<b>TBAL</b>	
SEPT 20	<b>Jacques Vesery** – carving&amp;painting</b>	
OCT 18	<b>Auction</b>	
NOV 15	<b>Dave Gutschmidt</b>	
DEC	<b>No Meeting</b>	<i>Merry Christmas</i>

\*\* Plan on an all day demo and an all day hands on class following the meeting date

## COMPANY STORE

Through the club, we purchase many items that are commonly used by woodturners. We buy in bulk and sell at cost. Just another benefit of being a member of Cascade Woodturners! If a number of members want a certain item, we could be low on it. Please contact Bill Karow, (503) 490-0325 [bill.karow@mac.com](mailto:bill.karow@mac.com) a week ahead of the meeting so he could verify it is not out of stock and set it aside for you.

<b>Company Store Item</b>	<b>Price</b>
Accelerator (for Cyanoacrylate adhesives/CA), sprayer, 8 oz	\$8.00 each
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Cyanoacrylate adhesives/CA Thin, 16oz bottles	\$32.00 each
Sandpaper, Klingspor alum/oxide w/heavy cotton cloth backing suitable for wet sanding (80, 100, 120, 180, 220, 320, 400 & 600 grits)	\$1.50 each sheet
Walnut Oil - filtered, 16 oz	\$4.00 each

PLEASE BRING YOUR EMPTY ONE GALLON JUGS TO OUR NEXT MEETING

## DEMOS - CLASSES – SEMINARS

**Multnomah Arts Center:** Multnomah Arts Center in SW Portland continues to have woodturning classes. Check their catalog or phone 503 823 2787. You can goggle their website for the catalog. Jerry Harris and Russ Coker are again teaching woodturning at "Multnomah Arts Center". If you are interested, please contact Multnomah Arts Center at 503 823 2787. The cost is very reasonable and all tools, wood and equipment is provided.

**Rockler Woodworking** 503-672-7266, [www.rockler.com](http://www.rockler.com)

- Contact store for class details

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**Woodcrafters** 503-231-0226, 212 NE 6th Ave, Portland, [www.woodcrafters.us](http://www.woodcrafters.us)

- Spindle Turning Demo by Fred Kline, Sat, Jan 27<sup>th</sup>

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**FOR SALE:** Delta Midi Lathe-Model 46-250, has never been used. Price of \$400.00. Contact Greg Kimball, email address; [kgandpk@aol.com](mailto:kgandpk@aol.com) . I live in Forest Grove & I will make other information available as the interest develops.



**FOR SALE:** Vicmarc VL300 from Craft Supplies USA. Purchased new in 2011. 3hp 240v motor, electronic variable speed drive, 24 inch swing and 21 inch bed on a sturdy heavy-duty steel base. This is a massive cast iron professional bowl lathe. Asking \$4,500.00. Call Rick if interested at 360-839-0121.

**BOOKS FOR SALE:** 192 issues of American Woodturner from issue 1 the the last issue in 2017. I'm asking \$150 for the entire set. I'm moving to a smaller place and would like to not have to haul them along. Call or email Howard Borer 503.901.3401 or [howardborer@yahoo.com](mailto:howardborer@yahoo.com)  
I still have a number of woodturning books that may have to be dealt with after the move.

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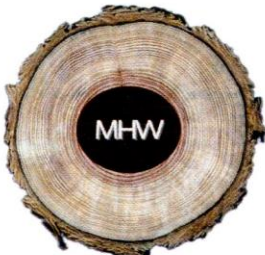
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