

# Turning Times

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CASCADE WOODTURNERS

**AUGUST 2017**

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**NEXT MEETING: 6:45PM, THURSDAY, AUGUST 17<sup>th</sup> AT WILLAMETTE CARPENTERS TRAINING CENTER**

**Cascade Woodturners will be meeting at  
WILLAMETTE CARPENTERS TRAINING CENTER**

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## **CWA Presidents Message for August 2017**

I'm sitting outside on a deck at the Oregon coast, writing this on a beautiful, sunny vacation day. It's the kind of day that makes me think wood turning should be a three-season indulgence.

But then I remember how much I enjoyed Michael Mocho's demonstrations and workshop in July, how much I'm looking forward to John Hampton's scoop demonstration at the August 17<sup>th</sup> meeting, and how I practically can't wait for Sally Ault's demonstrations and workshop on September 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, and I start to think we should go back home a couple of days early so I can get some shop time in.



It's tough to be torn between things you love...

### **Sally Ault in September**

Save the dates; Sally Ault is coming to Cascade in September! She's an amazing turner and she will be making an unusual presentation: one for turners who care about people who like to wear jewelry. Sally will demonstrate turning jewelry at the club meeting on September 21<sup>st</sup>, and you are encouraged to bring a person or two who might like to wear jewelry you have turned.



Sally did this demo for the AAW recently, and it was standing room only!

On Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, Sally will provide in-depth instruction on turning jewelry, and will show us how to use an urchin shell to make an elegant and unusual gift box, into which turned jewelry might be placed before the jewelry is given to someone you care about.

On Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, Sally will do an all-day, hands-on workshop.

You can register for her events on our website: [cascadewoodturners.org](http://cascadewoodturners.org), by clicking on "Events." You can see more of Sally's work on her website: [SallyAult.com](http://SallyAult.com).

### **John Hampton in August**

John Hampton will be demonstrating the turning of scoops at the Cascade meeting on Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. John is a versatile turner who hails from Raymond, Washington. Thanks to club member Jerry Bahr for arranging this!



You can see more of John's work on his website: [hamptonwoodcraft.com](http://hamptonwoodcraft.com).

The auction is October 19<sup>th</sup>. Skip Burke has graciously agreed (after shameless begging by me) to be in charge of the auction, so please contact him if you have questions, and please start thinking about what you can contribute. The auction is an important source of funding for Cascade that helps us afford to bring in well-known turners like Michael Mocho and Sally Ault, who don't live close by. It's also fun, so please do what you can to help it be successful.

In the meantime enjoy the good weather, and if you get into your shop, turn safely and joyfully!

Turn joyfully,  
Harvey Rogers, President

Please let me know if you have opportunities that you would like to have listed on our website. You can reach me at [HarveyRogers@Gmail.com](mailto:HarveyRogers@Gmail.com)

## **VICE PRESIDENT'S SOAPBOX**

VP voice – Without Volunteers

Attendance at Cascade Woodturners meetings has been amazing. I keep waiting for the meeting that is sparsely attended. I will continue to wait, I anticipate, for a mighty long time. The willingness to put up with the late afternoon traffic is admirable. We all know I-84 and I-205 are horrific nightmares that time of day. And we all keep coming back to see what the next greatest show in Woodturning has to offer. Are we all obsessed? (Don't answer that!) But if so, that's a good thing.

Cascade Woodturners is a volunteer organization. Without volunteers stepping up to offer their time and expertise, there would be no meetings, no demonstrations, no workshops. And most important to many of us, no social time to check out the work members bring to show and tell. No opportunity to find out what technique was used, how to achieve that beautiful finish or how the work was textured and/or colored. The discussion about anything woodturning is never-ending and invaluable to us all. One of the biggest challenges at meetings is to bring the free-for-all discussions to a close so the program may begin. Who would have guessed a bunch of woodturners would be so long winded?

Several times a year we bring in World Class woodturners to share their work and to show and teach us how to achieve similar techniques. We would not have the opportunity to see their work and for them to explain how they create it without the volunteers of Cascade Woodturners.

As I'm sure you've heard time and again, "Many hands make light work". Cascade has a wonderful group of folks who are willing to pitch in at any given time to lighten the load. I get the impression this is common with AAW affiliated clubs around the globe. AAW *is* an

international organization. Currently, Cascade needs members to take up vice president and librarian for the coming year.

Many members of the board have served several years and never a peep is heard. They just keep on chuggin'. Presently, we need a member willing to take responsibility to help maintain all that Cascade offers. The VP/Presidency, a two year commitment, is not yet filled for next year. For the member who fills this role, the rewards are immense. Crafting a schedule of monthly events affords exposure and networking with craftspeople near and far; and writing this column helps focus one's interests and concerns; and work with the board, especially the president, prepares the VP to take on the presidency the following year.

The VP/presidency is a great opportunity, and Cascade needs a member to step up to take on both the responsibilities and rewards that it offers. The opportunity to serve Cascade will instill a feeling of opulence and you will never regret it. I'm certain Cascade has many well-qualified members.

Email me, talk to me call me. Do not let this opportunity slip through your fingers.

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V.P. Cascade Woodturners

## DALE'S CORNER

No open shop for August. Summertime.

Dale

## AAW NEWS

The promotion to get new members in the AAW netted around 900 new sign-ups in 300 clubs. Cascade added 8 new members which put us at #16 out of 300 – thank you, new members! By now, you should have received your first copy of the *American Woodturner*.

Now that the Kansas City symposium is over, we're focused on Portland. Jeff Brockett (AAW symposium chair) and Phil McDonald (the executive director) will be in Portland for a pre-symposium visit this month. It takes a lot of time and effort to put on a three-day party for 1000+ of you closest friends! Currently, Jeff and one of his committees are putting together the slate of demonstrators. There will be lots more to talk about in the upcoming months.

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)

## SAFETY FIRST

This month's article covers two topics: Tool rack placement, and Lichtenberg burning.

### *Tool Rack Placement:*

Gouges, scrapers and lots of other turning tools are kind of like pool cues: long and thin. Just like pool cues, they store easily in a wall rack, where they don't stick out very far into the room, and you can easily see them. If you watch YouTube videos about turning, like those of Tim Yoder and Carl Jacobsen, you will see lots of turning tools stored in wall racks.

Of course it's also really nice to store your tools where you can easily pull them out, use them, and put them back. If I'm in the middle of a project and trying to figure out how to turn some odd shape, I'm likely to pile my tools up on the bed of the lathe, where they can easily fall off and poke me in the leg or dull an edge.

If your lathe sits along a wall, the perfect solution might seem to be a wall rack right behind your lathe, where you can just reach across and grab what you need. One of our members, an excellent and experienced turner, has a rack on the wall behind his lathe. He reached over the lathe recently to grab a tool without turning the lathe off. The lathe ate his apron.

He was lucky the apron strap was weak and broke; otherwise the apron tangled in the chuck might have dragged him into the lathe. If you Google "lathe accidents" you can see some utterly gruesome photos of people (or pieces of people) who were pulled into their lathes.

It's better to avoid the possibility of being eaten by your lathe, and you can do that by keeping your tools to the side of the lathe or behind you. If you must use a rack behind the lathe, make sure the lathe is turned off and has stopped spinning before you reach across for a tool.

### *Lichtenberg Burning:*

My August American Woodturner (the AAW's magazine) came in the mail today. It includes a short piece on a controversial topic: Lichtenberg, or "fractal" burning. Both Tim Yoder and Carl Jacobsen have YouTube videos demonstrating this technique, and Carl demonstrated it for Cascade at my invitation earlier this year.

The AAW board strongly recommends against this technique, and the piece in the American Woodturner explains why the board did what it did and what it means for chapters and members of clubs affiliated with the AAW, like Cascade.

I wrote the first draft of the article and am pleased with how it turned out. If you are interested in Lichtenberg burning, I recommend you read the article the way that porcupines are alleged to make love: *very carefully*. And if you would like to give me cr@p about the article, you know how to reach me.

If you have questions about turning safety or comments on this article please send them to me at HarveyRogers@gmail.com. I will research questions and let you know what I find out.

Harvey Rogers

## MEETING SCHEDULE 2017

DATE	DEMONSTRATOR	CHALLENGE
AUG 17	<b>John Hampton</b>	Turnings from pieces
SEPT 21	<b>Sally Ault</b>	Scoops
OCT 19	<b>Auction</b>	
NOV 16	<b>TBAL</b>	
DEC	<b>No Meeting</b>	<i>Merry Christmas</i>

## SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

There is something planned for every month that may match your travel plans:

- [SWAT, Waco TX August 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>](#)
- [18<sup>th</sup> Annual Rocky Mountain Woodturners Symposium, Larimer, CO Sept 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>](#)

If you hear of an interesting symposium, e-mail Jerry Klug to add it to the list.

## CWT MENTORS

Cascade Wood Turners has a mentoring program and the member turners providing assistance were listed in the “Resources” section of the club’s web page. These members were available for you to contact if you need help in different areas of woodturning. The list did not get transferred with the recent upgrade of the web site. *If you would like to be a mentor yourself and be contacted with woodturning related questions e-mail [turningwood@bendbroadband.com](mailto:turningwood@bendbroadband.com) and I will forward your name and subjects you would like to mentor onto Harvey for a new “MENTORS” listing on the club website.*

## COMPANY STORE

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. We are able to purchase through the Club many items that are commonly used by woodturners. We buy in bulk and sell at cost. Just another benefit to being a Cascade Woodturners Member! This month, we’ve purchased a 55 gallon drum of **Anchorseal 2** with an antifreeze additive, directly from the manufacturer. Instead of the regular \$14/gallon, we are able to now sell it for **\$10/gallon**.

**PLEASE BRING YOUR EMPTY ONE GALLON JUGS TO OUR NEXT MEETING.**

Company Store Item	Price
Accelerator (for Cyanoacrylate adhesives/CA), sprayer, 8 oz	\$7.00 each
Anchor Seal, one gallon	\$14.00 each
Cyanoacrylate adhesives/CA Thin, Medium & Thick, 2oz bottles	\$6.00 each bottle
Sandpaper – Finkat (for dry sanding)	\$0.75 each sheet
Sandpaper, Klingspooor alum/oxide w/heavy cotton cloth backing suitable for wet sanding (80, 100, 120, 180, 220, 320 & 400 grits)	\$1.50 each sheet
Walnut Oil - filtered, 16 oz	\$4.00 each

There are still a few chem-proof spray bottles available

## WHATS NEW

Woodturning Online has a monthly newsletter that offers a load of turning issues. One is a listing of videos on Youtube by Rick Morris. The current list for new videos that showed up in July has 306 listed, just appearing in July. Somebody likes showing their turning work.

## WHATS COMING

Richard Dlugo in September

Richard Dlugo is coming to Northwest Woodturners in September! He will do a demonstration at the September 7<sup>th</sup> club meeting, an all-day demonstration on September 8<sup>th</sup>, and an all-day hands-on workshop on September 9<sup>th</sup>.



Richard Dlugo has a well earned reputation for designing and making toys, but his are special...they move! Up and down, side to side, bobbling along made possible with offset axles, springs, gears, and other tricks of the trade.

Richard's toys were featured in an article in the December 2016 American Woodturner; the article can be accessed and downloaded from his website. Also, the August 2017 American Woodturner has an article by Richard on making yoyo-yo's.

His website is [RichardDlugo.com](http://RichardDlugo.com). You can register for the all-day events at [NorthwestWoodturners.com](http://NorthwestWoodturners.com).

## 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 google 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.

**Private Turning Classes:** Anyone interested in 1-on-1 lessons in my shop in eastern Damascus should feel free to contact me: My cell-phone number is 503 901 3401 and email is "[howardborer@yahoo.com](mailto:howardborer@yahoo.com)".

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- Woodturning Demo by Fred Kline, Sat Aug 26<sup>th</sup>

## CLASSIFIEDS

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**FOR SALE:** The Pacific North West Guild has a Jet lathe for sale



Five inch spindle height for 1" x 8 spindle. Belt driven with 6 belt positions. No reverse, no elec speed control. Includes stand, drive center, live center and face plate. Asking \$300 or best offer. Call Jerry Harris, 503 577 6909, cell.

**FOR SALE:** New 5 piece Crown Sheffield HSS turning tool set, Sheffield steel at lower than Chinese steel price, Wolverine sharpening jig and an 8" slow speed grinder still in the box. Just what

you need for clean cuts. Call Jerry (541) 550-6299





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**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.

**FOR SALE:** Over 18 tons of interesting turning wood logs and chunks in Vancouver; Apricot Avocado Black locust Black walnut Blue spruce Bottle brush Camphor (Calif. Bay Laurel?) Carob Cherry Elm English laurel English walnut Juniper Liquid amber Magnolia Maple (big leaf) Maple (hard) Norway maple Ornamental mulberry Pacific dogwood Pepper tree Plum Silver maple White oak Yellow popular Tim also has dried boards and blanks for turning of; Mahogany, Olive, Chestnut, Redwood, Walnut, Maple, Oak, Purple heart and more. Tim also has some rocks and fossils for accents.



7,000 lbs of mimosa, ranging in size from 6" to 30" in diam. It was felled last month. View an interview of Tim at <http://youtu.be/d51wpm180f4> Prices are about half of retail (i.e. Cook Woods or Craft Supply). Contact Tim at [wtsmall@comcast.net](mailto:wtsmall@comcast.net) 360-989-7721.

**WANTED:** Looking for a 6" jointer to buy. Contact Mike Larson 503-616-5538

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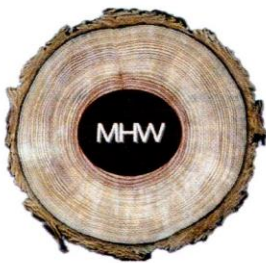
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