



Turning Times

The newsletter of the
CASCADE WOODTURNERS ASSOCIATION

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's March and it's a busy month. **On March 9th the three Portland-area woodturning clubs are participating in "An Evening with Richard Raffan."** It's a Zoom-only event, and you need to register *before the meeting* to participate. Members of Cascade have been emailed the registration information. If you are a paid-up member and don't have the registration information please contact me, but please don't wait until the last minute. If you do you may not be able to participate.

March 17-19 is the Oregon Woodturning Symposium in Albany, Oregon. This is a chance to get up close and personal with some amazing turners. See pages 11 and 12.

Kevin Jesequel gave an excellent demonstration of turning and decorating hollow forms. If you missed it, or you would just like to see it again, **the meeting video is up on our website.** To see it you need to log in, click on "Members Only," then click on "Information provided by demonstrators and Video Links," and finally click where it says "click here" under "Video of the February 2023 club meeting with Kevin Jesequel's demonstration of turning and decorating hollow forms." The end of the video also has our turners talking about their excellent show-and-tell pieces, which you can also see on page **, and on our website under "Gallery of Member Work."

As always, thanks to all who volunteer and help keep this club going; and you have ideas about improving our club, please contact me.

Harvey Rogers, President

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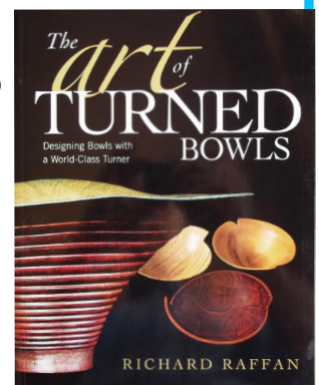
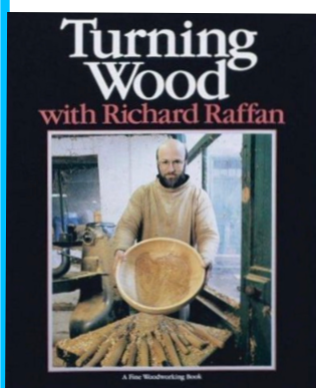
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RICHARD RAFFAN

The first edition of Richard Raffan's "Turning Wood" seduced me. He talks about leaving an office job to learn to work with his hands and make beautiful things. And his "The Art of the Turned Bowl" taught me I could strive for beauty in an object I make myself in my shop. I'm very glad I read them, but I could have saved oodles of money on tools if I hadn't.

You can see and talk with Richard on March 9th!



MEMBERSHIP



The best reason to join Cascade Woodturners Association is to help make woodturning more interesting for everyone in our area. But there are direct, personal benefits too.

This month you won't be able to watch the "Conversation with Richard Raffan" unless you are a club member.

There are videos and other information in the "Members Only" section of our website.

Cascade is bringing amazing, famous turners to us, who will do special classes with very limited enrollment. If you are a member you get to sign up first!

If you haven't joined for 2023 yet, please do so right away so you won't miss out.

Harvey Rogers, President

You can join Cascade or renew your membership on line. Just go to our website (cascadewoodturners.com), scroll to the bottom of the page, and click where it says to, or you can just click [here](#):



**Join Cascade
now!**

Click [HERE](#)

You can pay online either by using PayPal, or if you pass through the PayPal screens, with a credit card.

Besides using our web site you can see me at a meeting (our next in-person meeting isn't until April) and give me \$35 in cash or a check, or you can mail me a \$35 check to 22429 NE234 Court, Battle Ground, WA 98604.

Any questions, give me (Ken Kirkman) a call at 360-991-4056 (cell phone)

Thank you,

Ken Kirkman, Treasurer

WHERE WE MEET IN PERSON

When Cascade meets in person it meets in the gymnasium at Wild Lilac Child Development Center ("Wild Lilac").

Wild Lilac is located at 3829 SE 74th Avenue, Portland, Oregon. The gym is off of 73rd Avenue, and parking is easiest off of 73rd Avenue.

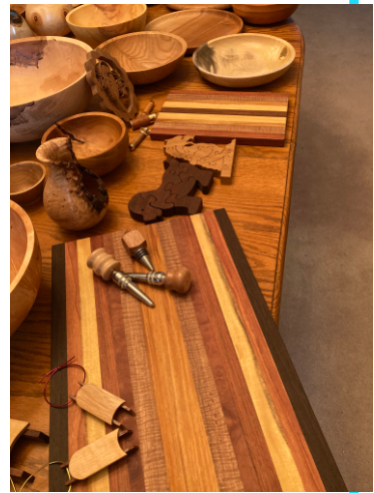
[Here](#) is a link to a map showing where Wild Lilac is located.



THE SPOTLIGHT IS ON... STEVE WALGRAVE!



I have known Steve for the last three years as we have been on the board of Cascade both before and during the pandemic. He is retired from his career as a Mechanical Engineer for 30 years, but he is not idle! Steve grew up in Illinois on a farm and farmers are well known for their hard work and ability to problem solve. Every time a problem was posed in our Board meetings, Steve was always there to volunteer. No wonder we keep asking him to wear so many hats on the Board - he never lets us down. I would describe Steve as being meticulous, diligent, thorough, and generous - the type of person that one can count on!



Since I have known Steve, he has been the purchaser and shopkeeper of processes orders and his technical researching (Gary) were in full view as they Zoom and what we needed to He also helped design and at Wild Lilac. On Thursday of the first to arrive at Wild meetings and one of the last away.



has been the Secretary, the the supplies we sell, postings on the website, and skills (along with Harvey and dove into the new field of purchase for those meetings. construct our storage space meeting nights, Steve is one Lilac to set up for the to leave after everything is put

Steve also volunteers his time his daughter, who was visiting Gresham Arts Festival, and demonstrated woodturning to festival...should have known the tree.

in the community and brought from Australia, to The the two of them many attendees at the the fruit doesn't fall far from


As for Steve's workspace, it was skillfully arranged and his

shop mirrored his many talents and wood skills. His shop is in his 2-car garage (minus cars, but still with space for a 70's BMW/Beemer motorcycle from his college days). Actually the space and the storage is neat and compact with an array of wood waiting to be turned or made into a project. The machines and accessories each have their allotted area with just enough space to work comfortably on whichever project he is involved with at the moment.

Suzanne Jensen, Past President




DAN TILDEN DEMONSTRATES AND GIVES WORKSHOP IN APRIL



Dan Tilden turns wonderful pieces in Ashland, Oregon. He will be our demonstrator on April 20th, and will also do an hands-on workshop on Friday, April 21st. Dan writes:

Hello woodturners! I am very excited to visit the Cascade Woodturners again, my favorite club to demonstrate and turn with!



I will be demonstrating one of my many Natural Edge Hollow Forms I've experimented with designing that are unique to me. I haven't decided exactly what piece I'd like to demo for you, I might try a piece I've never demonstrated before.

So we'll keep it a surprise for now and just know it'll have some bark somewhere on a hollow form. I'll start with what inspired me to create the piece I'll make, probably with a slideshow.

Then I'd like to demonstrate the piece with you all explaining each step, answering questions, and showing you my techniques that work for me. So: I'll be demonstrating making a Natural Edge Vessel!



FEBRUARY'S SHOW AND TELL



David Williams



Jerry Bahr



John Replinger



Jerry Harris



Jerry Harris



Kathleen D



John Replinger

These excellent pics were taken by **Doug Pizac** (thanks, Doug!). You can see them even better on our website if you click [here](#).



David Williams

Our March meeting will be held on March 9th at 7:00 PM!

Richard Raffan will speak to us over Zoom. To participate you must register with Zoom in advance. We have emailed the Zoom registration information to members. If you are a paid-up member and have not received it please contact Harvey Rogers or Steve Walgrave well before the event begins.

Mark Your Calendars for:

An Evening With Richard Raffan

at 7p on Thursday, March 9th, via Zoom



by Doug Pizac

Southwest Washington, Cascade, and Northwest woodturning clubs are partnering to bring famed turner Richard Raffan to share his life, work, tips and tricks for their members from his home in Australia via Zoom.

This will *not* be a demonstration session as his projects and how-to tutorials are readily available on his YouTube channel.

Instead, Richard will be making himself available to us for what will be a special event where he tells us what it was like for him when starting out, how woodturning and tools have changed over the decades, how we can better ourselves at the lathe, and other words of inspiration.

A live Q&A session will follow.

Stay tuned for more information and the Zoom link in future emails from Cascade.

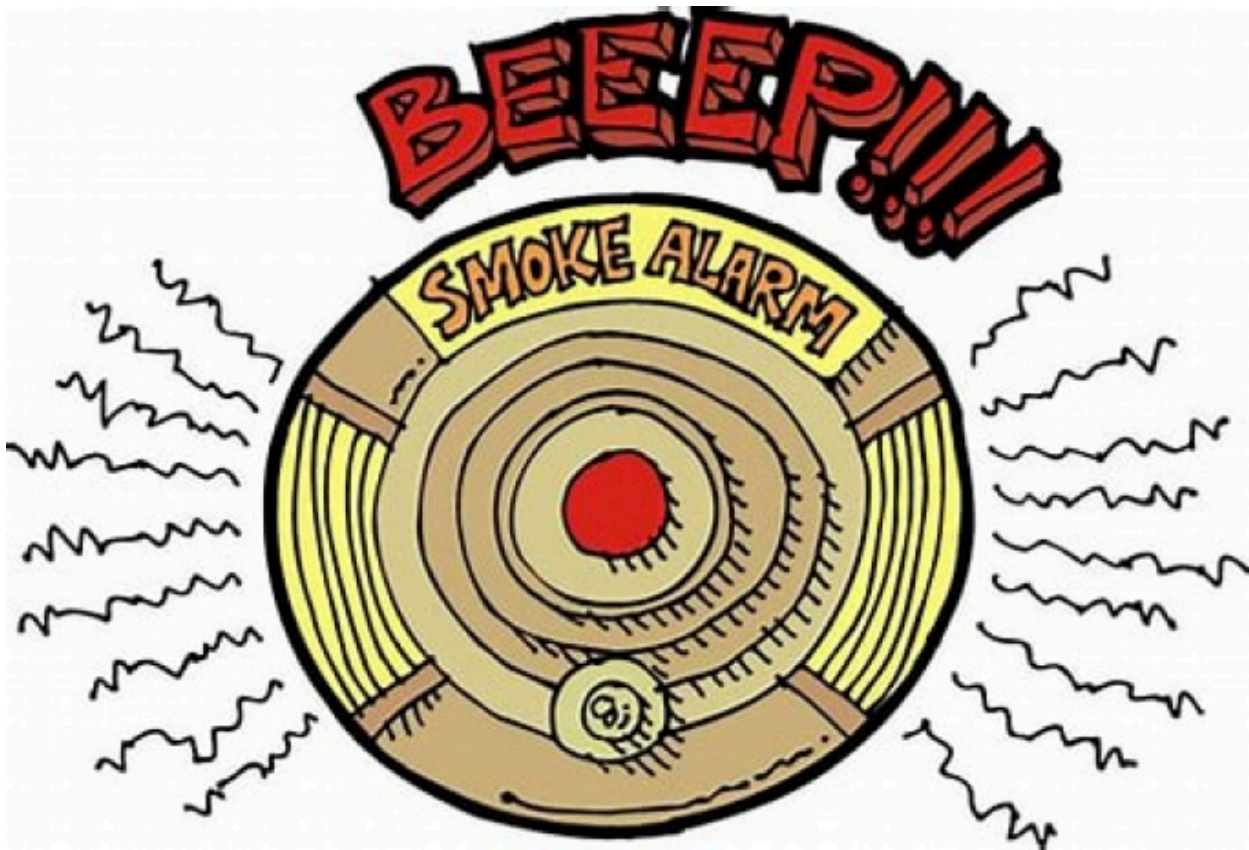


It's That Time of Year!

This weekend half of our clocks will spring forward (for the other half, we will have to remember to change the time ourselves).

It is also a great time to replace the batteries in our smoke detectors and inspect our fire extinguishers.

According to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), Three out of every five home fire deaths are the result of fires in homes without smoke detectors.



It is also a good idea to have a smoke detector in our shops. If your shop is in the garage of your home, as mine is, it likely does not have a smoke detector, unless you have added one.

The NFPA recommends monthly testing of smoke detectors. You may also want to consider a carbon monoxide detector for the shop, particularly if you burn fuel for heat. There are still a number of cold days ahead (darn you, Punxsutawney Phil!!!)

Kevin Jesequel, Vice President and Safety Officer



Schedule of Demonstrators Coming to Our Local Clubs

Woodturners who live in the Portland/Vancouver metropolitan area are very lucky to have three active woodturning clubs that present demonstrations.

Here's a calendar of currently scheduled demonstrations for Cascade Woodturners Association (Cascade), Northwest Woodturners Association (Northwest) and Southwest Washington Woodturners Association (Southwest):

Date	Cascade Demonstrators	Club	Topic
March 9	Richard Raffan	Southwest, Cascade and Northwest	An evening with Richard Raffan
April 20	Dan Tilden (additional workshop on Friday)	Cascade	Natural edge design
May 18	Jerry Bahr	Cascade	Turning and coloring platters
June 15	Bruce Campbell	Cascade	Triangular box or pudgy peppermill
June 16	Bruce Campbell	Cascade	Hands-on class
July 20	Annual Club Auction	Cascade	
August 17	Eli Avisera (includes additional classes)	Cascade	Club demo of off-center turning
August 18	Eli Avisera	Cascade	All-day demo, various topics
August 20	Eli Avisera	Cascade	Hands-on class, students get to pick topics!
August 21	Eli Avisera	Cascade	Hands-on class, students get to pick topics!
September 21	David Williams	Cascade	TBD
October 19	Laurent Niclot	Cascade	TBD
November 16	Bill Karow	Cascade	TBD
Northwest Demonstrators			
April 6	Brad Williams	Northwest	Stabilizing wood & Turning Epoxy
May 4	Mike Meredith	Northwest	Finishing
Southwest Demonstrators			
April 13	Brad Stave	Southwest	Embellishments
April 15	Brad Stave	Southwest	Class on embellishments
May 11	Darcy Tataryn	Southwest	Game of Spinning Tops
June 8	Jim Leary	Southwest	Lidded Bowls
September 14	Merle Johnson	Southwest	Pens, bottle stoppers and keychains

Jerry Bahr Demonstrates in May

Talented turner and club member Jerry Bahr will demonstrate turning and coloring platters for Cascade's meeting on May 18th!



DALE LARSON'S CORNER



I will be hosting an **open shop on March 25th** starting about 9 am. This is a great resource for new and beginning turners, and fun for more experienced turners. Nine turners came out for the January open shop. We had one spindle turner, two bowl turners and a McNaughten's coring demo. Email me if you need directions.



We spend a lot of time helping new turners sharpen tools. So bring your tools and an idea.

If you don't have wood we can generally find wood in my shop. We'll set up five or six lathes of difference sizes.



I plan to have an **all day demo at my shop in late May, date to be set, by Mauricio Kolenc from Uruguay.** Mauricio currently plans to dedicate half a day to thread



chasing and the other half to turning an ogee bowl his way, with a small foot.

Ask yourself: when will I get a chance to see a demonstration from someone from Uruguay?

Dale Larson, Program Director - woodbowl@frontier.com



Mighty Bowl Lathe for Sale

Kevin Jesequel writes:

Carl Asch's family is selling the bowl lathe that he made. It appears to be designed after the John Nichols / Denver Ulery lathes. Carl was a millwright before he retired and took up woodturning and he built a solid lathe! Here's some specs, 35" swing, 1.5hp DC motor with reversable variable speed control combined with 5 pulley positions for low speed torque. 1-1/2x8 spindle thread, #2 MT. No tailstock. Comes with a drawer full of faceplates and misc. accessories. Not sure how much it weighs, but I couldn't budge it when I tried. It does have wheels that engage when the feet are cranked up, so it should move into your shop relatively easily. Located in Ridgefield, WA. Only \$500! If interested, contact Carl's son, Jeff 206-552-1721.



CALLING ALL SEGMENTED TURNERS

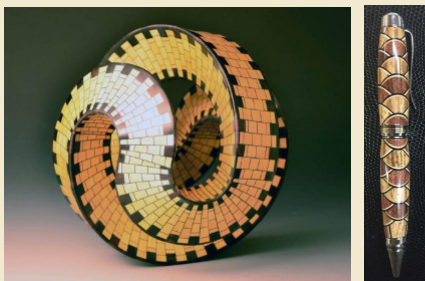


Segmented Woodturners

Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

A leading international non-profit organization advancing both the art and craft of segmented woodturning thru educational activities for all interested parties from beginners thru studio artists.

Exploring Possibilities



From the Segmented Woodturners Club of the AAW:

We are an AAW affiliated club that focuses strictly on segmented woodturning. We currently have about 480 members and we are eager to add more.

Our membership fee is a reasonable \$25 per year; the gallery is worth that amount alone. We have an active website with friendly critiques on work. Many members follow along projects that are engaging and fun. Our membership includes Malcolm Tibbetts (our original President) and Jerry Bennett (the inventor of the Wedgie Sled). For more info go to:

www.segmentedwoodturners.org



OREGON WOODTURNING SYMPOSIUM



When – March 17-19, 2023

Where – Linn County Expo Center in Albany, Oregon (about 90 minutes south of Portland).

Cost – \$335 with lunches and banquet, \$285 lunches only, and \$160 for a single day with lunch.

To register go to www.oregonwoodturningsymposium.com.

The symposium needs volunteers from Cascade. To help please contact Dale Larson, who is managing Cascade's participation. You can reach Dale at woodbowl@frontier.com.

What it is:

The symposium includes five demonstration rooms, a large vendor area, an Instant Gallery, an auction, and a raffle. Each demo room has four demos on Friday and Saturday, and two on Sunday, so you will be able to see all the demonstrators. A dinner Saturday night is catered and will feature a raffle for a lot of great prizes donated by our vendors.

Albany is an easy drive from Portland, and the facility is well-suited for our event. Two hotels are on-site with reasonable rates.

Cascade will sponsor one of the demo rooms which means we are responsible for outfitting the room with a lathe, grinder, audio/video support, and other items needed by the demonstrator. As a result, Cascade will receive a stipend for that support. Each room has ten demo sessions over the 2 ½ days, and for each demonstration, we will need the support of an A/V operator and an assistant.

Why Attend:

This is a great opportunity to learn from the best. There is something for all, from beginners to advanced turners. Beginners will learn how to make the best cuts and advanced turners will see different ways to enhance your work to make it stand out.

You will also see the latest in woodturning equipment, tools, and jigs. Attending the symposium is your chance to be up close and personal with the demonstrators who are very open and easy to talk with. Plus, you will get to see old friends and meet many of the best turners in the area.

What Is Needed:

Like our club, the symposium is put on by volunteers, and the symposium is a huge event. Volunteers will receive a symposium t-shirt, and the club will get a stipend depending on how the symposium finances work out.



OREGON WOODTURNING SYMPOSIUM



For Cascade we need:

- Setup -Setup is on Thursday, so we need to transport all our equipment to Albany and get it set up.
- Demo Support – For each of the ten sessions, we provide the A/V support and supply a “helper” who makes sure the room is set up properly and the demonstrators have what they need.
- Tear-Down – The show ends Sunday at noon at which time we pack up and move our equipment back home.

To volunteer to help with Cascade’s responsibilities at the symposium please contact Dale Larson, who is managing Cascade’s participation. You can reach Dale at woodbowl@frontier.com.

Symposium Support Volunteers are also needed:

- Raffle Tickets Sales (6 sessions)
- Instant Gallery Monitor (20 sessions)
- Registration Booth Support (21 sessions)
- Grand Prize Drawing Organizer
- Auction Support (10 sessions)
- Transportation – Driving demonstrators from and back to the airport

To volunteer to support the symposium please also contact Dale at woodbowl@frontier.com.

Demonstrators

A few of the slated demonstrators have been here before and have commented about the quality of the event and the friendliness of the local clubs and their members. Signed up to date are Stuart Batty Cynthia Gibson, Eric Lofstrom, Keith Gotschall, Trent Bosch, Mike Mahoney, Stuart Mortimer, Nick Cook, Nick Agar, Rebecca DeGroot, and Sally Ault. These are all well-known professionals that are the best at what they do.

Vendors

The vendor list is still growing and currently includes D-Way Tools, Big Monk Lumber, Niles Bottle Stoppers, WoodturnerPRO Software, Woodturners Wonders, Trent Bosch, and Woodcraft (Eugene).

CASCADE'S BOARD



The following people have been elected to the Cascade Woodturners Association Board of Directors for 2023:

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MORE ABOUT CASCADE

Cascade Woodturners Association is an Oregon non-profit corporation that is qualified under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

More information about Cascade is available on its website, which is:

CascadeWoodturners.org

In 2023 Cascade expects to meet once a month, except December, at the Wild Lilac Child Development Center, which is located at 3829 SE 74th Avenue in Portland, Oregon. Most meetings are likely to be in-person, but also broadcast on Zoom.

Cascade supports its activities with member dues, which are \$35 a year. You can become a member of Cascade on our website by clicking [here](#). Members receive some benefits that are not available to the general public.

Most recent board meetings:

Cascade held Board meetings on January 3, 2023 and February 23, 2023. Minutes from these meetings are available on the Cascade website, in the 'Members Only' section. The next Cascade Board meeting is scheduled for April 27, 2023 at 6 PM by Zoom. If you have topics for the board please contact Secretary Steve Walgrave or President Harvey Rogers.

OTHER WOODTURNING CLUBS IN OUR AREA



Northwest Woodturners

Meets on the first Thursday of each month.
The next meeting will be in February 2023.
Northwest's calendar of events is [here](#).



Southwest Washington Woodturners

Meets on the second Thursday of each month.
The next meeting will be in February 2023.



Willamette Valley Woodturners

Meets on the second Thursday.

Willamette Valley Woodturners

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