

Turning Times

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CASCADE WOODTURNERS

April 2012

Please make sure that all content for the next newsletter reaches me by the 9th of May! rgklug@crestviewcable.com Thanks!

**NEXT MEETING: 7:00PM, THURSDAY, April 19th AT FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL
5405 SE Woodward St, Portland, OR**

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

April will see the first out of town guest Woodturners this year, Dave Schweitzer. In addition to his innovative high quality tools, he makes wonderful hollow forms. There will be three opportunities to learn from his long woodturning experience. He will be demonstrating at our Thursday April 19th meeting 7PM at Franklin High School. Then on Friday he will be teaching a hands-on class of six at Dale's, as of this writing all six places are filled. Then on Saturday he will have an all day demonstration for as many turners that would like to attend with a \$30 charge. He will also have a number of his tools with him for you to look at, and buy if you are so inclined.

I enjoyed Bill Moore's demonstration at our March meeting. I have gotten enough feedback to know that I am not the only one interested in making some non-symmetrical pieces. I also enjoyed the explanation of how you take the work of someone you admire, and without copying, develop the idea into your own work. I am gluing up a number of blanks in order to give this process a try. I think we are very lucky to have someone as talented as Bill as a local resource to learn from.

I have had a very good month. Jim Hall set up a class with Hillsboro carver Jeff Harness to teach how to sharpen carving tools. Joe Jedrychowski, Max McBurnett, and I took advantage of the class. Jeff uses a one-inch belt grinder re-wired to run backwards to sharpen his carving tools. Joe gave me a one-inch belt grinder and Max doesn't know it yet, but I am going to have to consult him on how to get it to run backwards.

Then Jim Hall, Joe Jedrychowski and I did demonstrations at the Tree School. In order to keep peace in Jim's house I should revise that by saying that Jim, while recovering from eye surgery, consulted while Joe and I did the turning. It's been at least a year and a half since I made a box and once I got the progression of steps in correct order it was a lot of

fun. Demonstrating for the tree growers was a lot more fun than doing the tool show. There were a number of people interested in learning to turn and it was really nice to be able to tell them about Howard Borer's upcoming demonstration for new turners at our June meeting. I want to thank Howard for coming up with this idea and the effort he will be putting in to make this happen. There was one young seventh grader who is learning to turn, and Jim told me that he has been a visitor at our booth for the last three years. To hear this young man talk with obvious pride that he is using tool handles made by his Grandfather made my whole day.

While at the Tree School, Joe was kind enough to take a picture that proves I am finally seeking help for the many things wrong with me. I sent the picture to my sister who wrote back to inform me that what is wrong with me cannot be cured. One more example that you just can't please everyone.



Up coming events to plan for;

The month of May will see a visit from Stuart Mortimer. Our meeting will be one week later than normal on May 24th in order to make this happen. Please make changes to your calendars so that you are not showing up to an empty shop on third Thursday. The meeting will be fourth Thursday in May only. We have five people signed up for a hands-on class for Friday the 25th and there is lots of room for an all day demonstration on Saturday. I am currently playing international telephone tag with Stuart to work out final details, but there will be sign up sheets for Stuart Mortimer's class and demo at our April meeting.

Eli Avisera will be with us in July and I will have sign up sheets for his demo and three day class at our April meeting. There is a lot of interest in Eli classes, but Eli has in the past been very accommodating to hold enough classes so that no one was left out. Be sure to sign up at our next meeting so that we have enough time to see if that will work out this time.

See everyone at Franklin High Shop, Thursday April 19th, at 7PM for a demonstration with Dave Schweitzer.

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DALE'S CORNER

We had a good open shop in March with bowls getting turned, a scoop and some spindle work. Open shop for April will be Saturday April 28th starting at about 9:30. Bring your tools, wood and an idea. We have experienced hands available to help.

I want to thank our member Tom Welmers from Western Tool Supply. Tom received a variable speed Jet mini lathe back from a customer that could not be resold. Tom donated it to our shop for open shop days and hands on classes. That gives us one more lathe to use. Thank you Tom for your generous support of our chapter programs.

Swede Pearson died last month. He was one of the original organizers of the Cascade chapter in 1990. His family is selling the wood. He had lots of platter blanks, medium and small bowl blanks and spindle wood. There will be an all day sale Friday April 13th at Swede's. 6957 N Montana Ave, Portland, 503-289-1974. North Montana is the first street directly west of I-5 running between Rosa Park Way and Lombard.

If you can't make that day you can call Swede's daughter, Pam and set up a time to view the wood.

I encourage you to consider going to the AAW symposium this year. It is not be back on the west coast for five years. We have a great line up of demonstrators for three full days of woodturning, a great tool show and large instant gallery. You can go to the AAW website and view an eight minute video of what is coming at the symposium. <http://woodturner.org/>. We have a full line up of classes for the spouses for those spouses who do not want to watch woodturning. The dates are June 8-10, 2012. See you there. Current airfares are around \$275 round trip.

Dale

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AAW NEWS

The last two issues of American Woodturner listed the demo presenters and the subjects they will offer. The entire rotation schedule is available on the AAW web site www.woodturner.org

The AAW needs several volunteers to help with the big auction this June at the San Jose symposium. We need help with spotters and checkout. The spotters should be really excited and animated and outgoing. The checkout people need to be aware of how to handle and wrap the art when the buyers check out.

If you will be at the symposium and want to have the most fun of anyone at the symposium and would like to help for the evening, please let me know as soon as possible.

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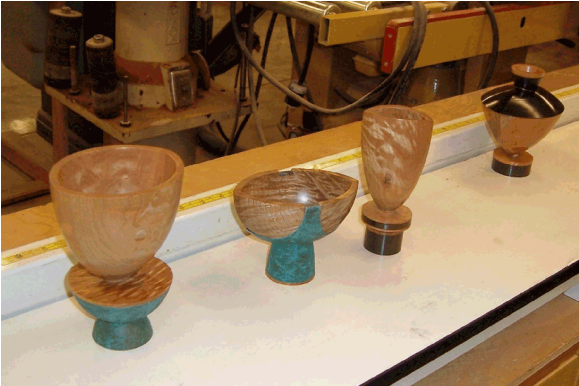
3rd notice for suggestions, the demonstrators need lots of early scheduling as their available time is limited and there are a lot of clubs competing for well known demonstrators. To plan for 2013, Ken Kirkman is requesting your comments on whom or what kind of demonstrator/demos/classes you would like at Cascade. Let Ken know if you have a specific desire as he will be discussing club visits with the demonstrators at the Utah Symposium and the AAW Symposium. If you have a favorite local turner that you want to see, let Ken know that too. This is your chance for input on next year's program.

MEETING SCHEDULE 2012

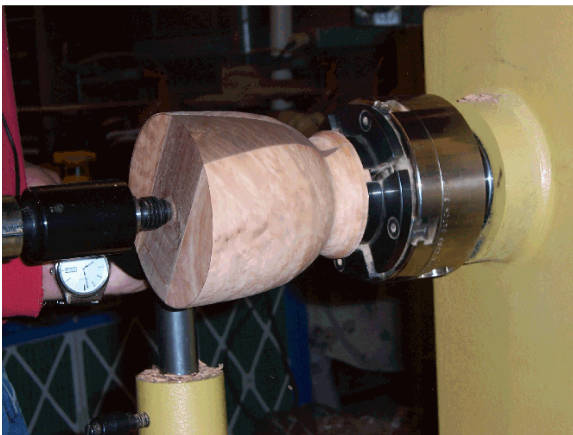
DATE	DEMONSTRATOR	CHALLENGE
APR 19	Dave Schweitzer – Sat Demo/Class	Deconstruct/reassemble
MAY 24	Stuart Mortimer – Sat Demo	
JUN 21	Howard Borer	
JUL 19	Eli Avisera – Fri Demo/Class	
AUG 18	Bob Espin -	
SEP 20	Eric Lofstrom – Sat Demo/Class	
OCT 18	Auction	
NOV 15		Christmas Ornaments

MARCH DEMO

Bill Moore demonstrated how to make shapes from wood that were first made from clay by the potter Hans Cooper. These are non-symmetrical shapes made on the lathe by removing a section of the turning and reassembling the turning.



Bill explained how to glue the blank sections with a paper separating the pieces to allow deconstructing the turning without damaging the form. The paper forms a weak joint to the turned sections that is broken with a knife or chisel. The alignment of the blank sections is critical to have the remaining pieces fit properly when reassembling the new shape.



After turning and removing the center portion, the turning looks like:

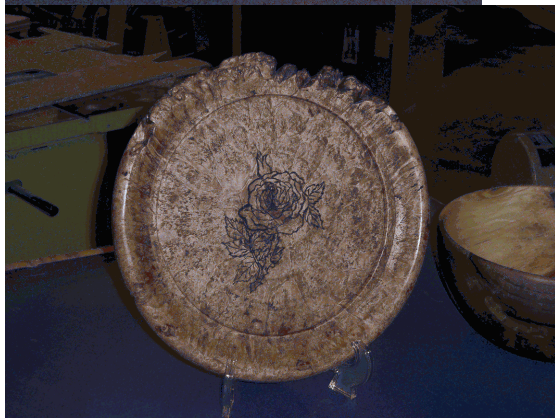


By varying the outside curve and the size of the removable center support, the final shape can be almost shaped open vase like or a closed pod. The design is up to your imagination.

MONTHLY CHALLENGE

April's Challenge is to turn, deconstruct and reassemble a piece to arrive at a different shape. Most of us have reassembled a piece after it traveled off the lathe on its own but this time the challenge is to plan the deconstruction.

March challenge was a ladle, scoop or spoon. Only two entries were submitted and one was a bit distressed before leaving the lathe. There were a lot of fine turnings exhibited for sho'n'tell as the photos display.



SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

- Southern States XII Woodturning Symposium, Gainesville GA Apr 27th-29th
- Utah Woodturning Symposium, Orem UT May 17th – 19th
- AAW Symposium, San Jose, CA June 8th -10th
- Saskatoon Woodturning Symposium, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, July 27th – 29th
- Woodturners of Olympia Symposium, Olympia WA July 28th
- Turn On! Chicago, Mundelein, IL August 3rd – 5th
- SWATurners Symposium, Aug 24-26, 2012
- Rocky Mountain Woodturning Symposium, Sept 8-9 2012
- VA Woodturning Symposium, Fishersville, VA Sept 15th – 16th
- Ornamental Turners Bi-Annual Symposium, Scranton, PA Sept 28th – 30th
- 3rd Segmenting Society Symposium, South Lake Tahoe October 18th - 21st 2012

DEMOS - CLASSES – SEMINARS

Rockler Woodworking 503-672-7266, www.rockler.com

- Pen Turning Demo, Apr 21st, 9:30-11:30
- Carter Hollow Roller Demo, Apr 28th, 9:30 – 11:30
- Turning Pens Demo, May 19th, 3 PM

Woodcraft 503-684-1428, www.woodcraft.com

- Pen Turning (\$40) by George Hays, Apr 14th 2:00-5:00
- Bowl Turning (\$115) by Paul Rasmussen, Apr 22nd 10:00-4:00
- Turning Wooden Spheres (\$100) by Mike Meredith, Apr 29th 10:00-4:00
- Beginning Lathe Turning (\$115) by Paul Rasmussen, May 5th 10:00-5:00
- Pen Turning (\$40) by George Hays, May 9th 1:00-4:00
- Pen Turning (\$40) by George Hays, May 19th 1:00-5:00
- Turning Boxes (\$115) by Paul Rasmussen, May 20th 10:00-4:00
- Turning Tool Handle – Store Demo –May 26th 1:00 – 2:00
- Beginning Lathe Turning (\$115) by Paul Rasmussen, June 2nd 10:00-5:00
- Pen Turning (\$40) by George Hays, June 13th 1:00-4:00
- Bowl Turning (\$115) by Paul Rasmussen, June 16th 10:00-5:00
- Pen Turning (\$40) by George Hays, June 23th 1:00-4:00
- Beginning Lathe Turning (\$115) by Paul Rasmussen, July 7th 10:00-5:00

Woodcrafters 503-231-0226, 212 NE 6th Ave, Portland, www.woodcrafters.us

- Turning Very Large Bowl Demo by Poest, Apr 21st 10:00-3:00
- Lidded Boxes Demo by Poest, May 5th 10:00-3:00
- Woodburning Demo by Dick Armstrong, May 19th 10:00-3:00

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Cascade Woodturners:

April 19th meeting will have Dave Schweitzer showing us how he makes his wooden long necked hollowed bottles. Dave is known by most of us for his excellent tools from D-Way Tools, but in addition he is a very talented turner, teacher and demonstrator.

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April 20th will have Dave teaching a hands on for up to six people on the design and making of hollow forms. He will cover the layout and carving of flutes as well as the design and making of finials to top the hollow forms. Dave makes some of the prettiest finials I have ever seen, and is capable of bringing you from someone who admires finials to someone who makes them. If there is time he will also help us to make the off center designs he adds to bowls and platters. This hands on will be at Dale's shop and there will be a \$90.00 charge for taking the class.

Saturday April 21st there will be an all day demonstration at Dale's by Dave Schweitzer on the various pieces he makes. There is a \$30.00 charge for this all day demo. In addition to other things we should be able to get him to show us how to use his beading tools and then Dale won't be the only one who can make beads on his bowls.

May 24th meeting (note date change to 4th Thursday) will have Stewart Mortimer turning fast and furious. Friday will be an all day hands on class and Saturday May 26th Stewart will be at Dale Larson's shop for an all day demo.

July 19th-24th, Eli Avaseri

Northwest Woodturners:

May 3rd – 6th, Soren Berger, Saturday Demo, Friday & Sunday hands on class

Willamette Woodturners:

May 10th – 13th, Soren Berger, Friday Demo, Saturday & Sunday hands on class

June 2,3 Stuart Mortimer

June 14-17: Doug Fisher

August 9-12: Jimmy Clewes

October 11-14: Stuart Batty

Olympia Woodturners:

July 28th, Creativity In Woodturning Symposium featuring David Elsworth,

www.woodturnersofolympia.org

Greater Vancouver Woodturners Guild (Vancouver, B.C.):

May 5th-6th, Dixie Biggs Demo, hands on class

6th annual "Frogwood Collaborative" is scheduled for Aug 16th thru 19th of 2012 at Dale's shop. Cost is \$230 and includes meals. Contact Jerry Harris at westwoodct@comcast.net or David Williams at dwilliams97007@yahoo.com for reservations and/or more information.

COMPANY STORE

If a number of members want a certain item, and we are low on it please email Peter Morrell at luvbermuda@aol.com a week ahead, he could have it with no out of stock.

Company Store Item	Price
Accelerator (for Cyanoacrylate adhesives/CA), sprayer, 8 oz	\$6.75 each
Anchor Seal, one gallon	\$12.50 each
Cyanoacrylate adhesives (CA) - Thin, Medium and Thick, 2oz bottles	\$5.75 each bottle
Sandpaper, Aluminum oxide with heavy cotton cloth backing in 80, 100, 120, 180, 220, 320 & 400 grits	\$1.00 each sheet
Walnut Oil - filtered, 16 oz	\$4.00 each

INTERESTING WEB SITES

The first time I saw Stuart King I was viewing a dotty character wearing a hat decorated with what looked like paper flowers on YouTube. It was a demo of making flowers from twigs. Clever but he still looked a bit dotty. Since that time I have had a number of opportunities to view his work and read about him. Stuart is an English Treasure. He not only turns amazing work but is a photographer, videographer and amateur sociologist who studies and records ancient crafts while he can still find practitioners that carry on the skill and tradition. <http://www.stuartking.co.uk/> His turnings are mostly on human powered lathes, either a pole lathe or a treadle lathe. He often turns on a DaVinci replica that has a treadle and a very large flywheel. Stuart also makes most of his own turning tools as human powered lathes do well when turning with hook tools. The quality of his turnings is a far reach above the typical rough bowl typically turned at a renaissance fair when demonstrating a pole lathe. His pieces have a fine finished appearance and are often decorated by detailed carvings and/or pyrography.



Stuart has made his videos available on YouTube showing Lon Constantin, an aging Romani craftsman turning a multi centered drinking flask turned on a pole lathe <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XEibt31OICA> , the Romani's wife turning drop spindles <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u2DX0ExY44g&feature=relmfu> and a Moroccan turner making chess pieces with his feet as well as many other old and disappearing skills. Stuart also videoed miniature Windsor chairs and an automaton that is fascinating that he made.

Stuart will be demonstrating at the 2012 Utah Symposium in May. If you are not going, I suggest you look at his website and enjoy the gallery of "Photos on Flickr" and his video sections. He may appear dotty when he wears his flowered hat but he has provided a lot of records of turning history that we can all enjoy.

CWT MENTORS

Cascade Wood Turners has a mentoring program and the member turners providing assistance are listed in the "Resources" section of the web page <http://www.cascadewoodturners.com/resources.htm>. These members are available for you to contact if you need help in different areas of woodturning. If you would like to be a mentor yourself and be contacted with woodturning related questions e-mail me at rgklug@crestviewcable.com and I will add you to the list!

QUICK LINKS:

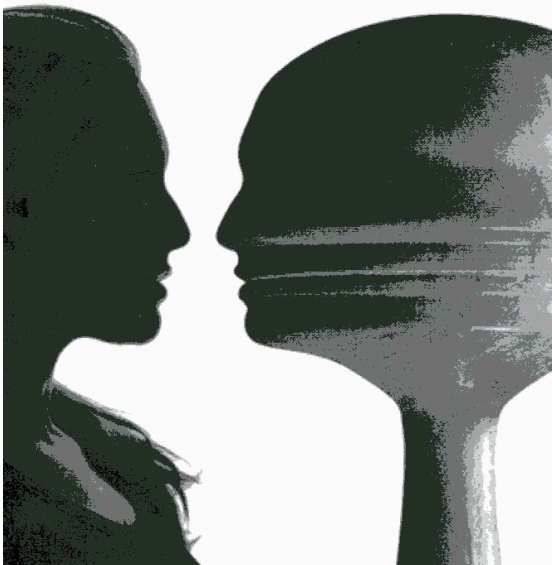
There is a listing of web links used by club members in the "Resources" section of the web site <http://www.cascadewoodturners.com/resources.htm> . If you have a favorite or new site that would be useful to club members, e-mail it to me to include it with the list. rgklug@crestviewcable.com

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RIDERS WANTED: If you are flying to the AAW Symposium in San Jose and scheduled to arrive at Oakland on Thursday mid day let me know. I am hoping to have a large enough group to rent a limo service to travel to the symposium from Oakland Airport. This is a good savings over renting a car or Airport Shuttle. We have 6 now and the limo service can handle 9 to 13 persons depending on the vehicle. Jerry Klug 541-550-6299 rgklug@crestviewcable.com .

BABY RATTLE:



Andrew Liszewski has claimed a niche market for baby rattles by using the mother's silhouette for the pattern of the rattle heads. Andrew claims this will assist the baby bonding with the mom while she is absent. He is charging \$180 for the personalized maple rattle.

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WOODTURNING CLASSES AT MAC

Jerry Harris will be teaching a beginning woodturning class at the Multnomah Arts Center, (MAC), 7688 SW Capitol Hwy, Portland, OR 97211 503-823-2787.

There will be a one session class on Saturday, May 5 from 10am to 2pm.

There will be a four session class starting Saturday, May 12 and the next three Saturday's ending on June 2. These classes will also be from 10am to 2pm.

All tools, lathes and materials will be supplied. Wear clothes that don't have long sleeves and they will get shavings all over them. The projects will include honey dippers, cup and ball toys, pens, egg cups, tops and maybe bowls.

For reservations and costs, call the MAC. There is only space for five persons each class.