

Turning Times

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CASCADE WOODTURNERS

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Please make sure that all content for next months newsletter reaches me by the 2nd Of September! rgklug@crestviewcable.com Thanks!

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

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

There's an old song by Nat King Cole called "Those Lazy-Hazy-Crazy Days of Summer". I guess I know about hazy days – the 85 degree days have been that and we are now starting to get haze from forest fires from as far away as Russia. Crazy – yep – that's what this summer has been. Lazy – no way – who's got time for lazy when we finally have summer?

I haven't done a lot of turning this summer, but I did take Eli Avisera's class. Eli is truly a great teacher. There were 17 students total for his two 3-day classes. Thanks to the Northwest Chapter and Mike Meredith for the loan of three lathes and Jerry Harris and the Pacific Northwest Woodturners Guild for the loan of their lathes. Without a lot of help, we would not be able to offer these classes. This is the third time I've taken Eli's class. A friend asked Eli if I was *finally* going to pass his class or if I still needed more help. I didn't feel too bad when Eli told me there's someone who's taken his class five times – maybe there's hope for me yet. Besides, I just don't think you can get too many classes. Every time Eli comes to Cascade, he has new ideas to share and new ways to present his instruction. Some of the students in the class I was in were very uncomfortable using the skew. By the end of the three days, everyone felt more comfortable and proficient with the skew. All of the projects we completed were intended to teach tool control with a variety of tools. Eli not only shows how he sharpens his tools, but explains why he uses the particular grinds he uses. I think the explanations, his diagrams and visual aids are what make him a great teacher. If you want a refresher or were unable to take the class, Eli's DVD's cover the techniques and sharpening he goes through in his classes. Cascade has the first series of DVDs.

One of the perks of being president is getting to host and spend extra time with our guests. It is an opportunity to share ideas about turning and other artist's work. Thanks to Skip Burke, Eli's trip even more memorable. He invited Eli, Steve Newberry, and me to go salmon fishing. It was an absolutely perfect day for fishing despite our 4:30 a.m. rendezvous at Salmon Creek. We caught two really nice silvers and had to throw back three natives. As Eli said, this was the one kind of catch that a woodturner really wants to have.

Our club auction is in September. This is the club's annual fund raiser. In the past, we've used proceeds to buy our lathe, electronic equipment, make donations to the school, and of course, bring in our demonstrators. I hope you are collecting wood for the event. In addition to the wood, we are going to have a number of nice art pieces in the auction. Dale Larson has donated items by Richard Raffan, Jimmy Clewes, and Clay Foster. We also have two of Eli's demonstration pieces, one by Andi Wolfe, a collaborative by Andi and Dale, and the goblets from the nine mystery turners.

This month we will have Nick Stagg from Salem demonstrating. The challenge this month is "small turnings".

Safe turning...

Kathleen Duncan, President
Cascade Woodturners
woodspinner@gmail.com

DALE'S CORNER

We will have open shop August 28th. Plan to work on a turning project and enjoy the camaraderie in August.

Dale woodbowl@verizon.net

ANNUAL AUCTION

September will be our annual club auction of wood, tools, and finished turnings. This is an advance notice asking club members please to start thinking about making a donation. A significant portion of the revenue from last year's auction came from finished turnings donated for auction. If you are planning on making a finished piece for the auction we would like you to get a little more recognition for your efforts by having a picture of the piece published in the September Newsletter. So please send a digital picture of any finished woodturning you are planning on donating, to rgklug@crestviewcable.com We are hoping that with a little advanced publicity about what will be available that we can encourage a little more competitive bidding for the finished woodturnings.

The turnings pictured below are some of the pieces that will be in the auction.



Last year's auction saw a lot of wood chunks too large to be handled by most of our members. Not everyone owns chainsaws or large capacity band saws. So if you are planning on donating very large pieces of wood please cut them down into pieces a little more lathe ready. If you need help doing this three members have volunteered to help you do so.

Dale Larson 503-661-7793 in the Gresham area

Jerry Harris, 503-244-6921 in close in SW Portland area

David Williams, 503-997-2541 in the Murray Ave & Allen Blvd area, Beaverton
So give one of these members a call and make arrangements to get the wood to them.

It has been the generous donations to, and purchases at the auction that have allowed us to bring in outside turners and operate the club functions. Thank you for your support in the past, and please keep in mind that September will be here all too soon.

JULY MEETING

Eli Avisera wowed us with his turning techniques and great teaching style. He listed four things he was going to demonstrate and I wondered to myself if anyone had told Eli that he only had about an hour to demo. He finished all four items including a clever bird turning and a trembleur so delicate with a wine bottle and goblet shape in the spindle. With Eli's instruction everyone at the meeting could make one.

Eli with his bird.



Eli's trembleur

The show'n'tell table was full of useful kitchen items. The items on display are at the website in the gallery section.

There were two guests visiting.

MEETING SCHEDULE '09

Demonstrator

Challenge

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| Aug | Nick Skagg – Basic cuts |
| Sept 16 th | Annual Auction |
| Oct 12 th | Michal Werner – |
| Nov 18 th | Lloyd DeWerff – Christmas Ornaments |
| December | No Meeting – Happy Holidays |

MONTHLY CHALLENGE

Bring your small turnings to the August meeting.



Phil Lapp won the July challenge with the one piece scoop. Phil makes it sound easy but when that handle is swinging around when you are hollowing the bowl of the scoop, it can be a pretty un-nerving feeling.

BARGAIN BIN

Tim Small has wood for sale. He has lots of wood in fact, over 18 tons of interesting wood logs and chunks of camphor (Calif. Bay Laurel?), carob, black walnut, English walnut, magnolia, liquid amber, silver maple, yellow popular, elm, apricot, ornamental mulberry, cherry, maple (big leaf), maple (hard), black locust, blue spruce, bottle brush, English laurel, pepper tree, avocado, white oak (recently felled), pacific dogwood, juniper, plum and Norway maple. Tim also has some blanks for gunstocks, boards of mahogany, olive, chestnut, redwood, walnut, maple, oak, purple heart and more. Tim also has some rocks and fossils for accents. Prices are about half of retail (i.e. Cook Woods or Craft Supply). Contact Tim at wtsmall@comcast.net 360-989-7721.

GOOD WOOD WEBSITES

This month's wood web site is Jerry Hall's new project to link woodworking videos on the web. You can see what he is doing at <http://woodturningvideos.weebly.com/> . Jerry also set up the Mustard Monster web site for sharing information on the Powermatic 3520 lathes. If you like what you see, drop Jerry a line and let him know. His contact information is listed on the site.

CLASSIFIEDS

To place or continue an ad, contact Jerry Klug at rgklug@crestviewcable.com . We will run ads in the next newsletter after receiving your ad. Let us know if you want your ad continued more than one month.

COMPANY STORE

If a number of members want a certain item, and we are low on it please email Jerry Harris at westwoodct@comcast.net a week ahead, he could have it with no out of stock.

| Company Store Item | Price |
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| 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 | \$3.00 each |

DEMOS - CLASSES – SEMINARS

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

- Pen Turning, Aug 21st 9:30 -11:30
- Turning Travel Mugs, Sept 11th 9:30 - 11:30

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

- Basic Bowl Turning (\$105) by Bob Tuck, Aug 1st 10:00-4:00
- Beginning Lathe Turning (\$105) by Bob Tuck, Aug 28th 10:00-4:00
- Turning Boxes (\$105) by Bob Tuck, Aug 29th 10:00-4:00
- Pen Turning (\$40) by Dave Nerland, Sept 18th 1:00-4:00
- Beginning Lathe Turning (\$105) by Bob Tuck, Sept 25th 10:00-4:00
- Turning Christmas Ornaments (\$105) by Bob Tuck, Sept 26th 10:00- 4:00

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

- Bowl Turning Demo by Bob Tuck, Aug 21st 10:00 – 3:00

SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

- S.W.A.T. Waco, TX August 27-29, 2010
- Greater Vancouver Wood Turners Guild – West Coast Round-Up Sept 9-12, 2010
- Ornamental Turners Symp. Sept 17–19, San Jose, CA www.ornamentaltturners.org
- Segmented Society Symposium, Arrowmont, Gatlinburg, Tenn. Nov 11th–14th, 2010
- Desert Woodturning Roundup, Mesa AZ Feb 18-20, 2011

CWT MENTORS

These members are available for you to contact if you need help in different areas of woodturning (inside the parentheses it tells each of the areas in which each mentor specializes). If you need help, contact one of the following mentors. 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!

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| Doug Brown dougivan@aol.com | Bowls, Boxes, Hollow forms, Texture | Dale Larson: woodbowl@verizon.net | Bowl turning, Greenwood turning, & Reading the log |
| Howard Borer howbor@yahoo.com | Beginning bowl, Spindle, Hollow turning and Lathe accessory fabrication and consultation | Phil Lapp 503-925-0152 | Handled Vessels |
| Glenn Burki gburki@comcast.net | | Randy Rhine rrrhine@comcast.net | Ornamental and Segmented turning |
| Kathleen Duncan woodspinner@gmail.com | Christmas Ornaments | John Wirth jandjwirth@comcast.net | Hollow forms, Carving, and Embellishment |

QUICK LINKS:

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| AAW Main page | www.woodturner.org | AAW Forum | www.woodturner.org/vbforum/index.php? |
| Arizona Silhouette | www.arizonasilhouette.com | Berea Hardwoods | www.bereahardwoods.com |
| The Burl House | www.theburlhouse.com | Flying Curls | www.flyingcurls.com |
| Freedom Pens | www.freedompens.org | Hut Products | www.hutproducts.com |
| Lloyd Johnson | WoodturnerPro | Pacific NW Woodturning Guild | www.woodturningguild.com |
| Pen Making Supplies | www.penmakingsupplies.com | Pen Maker's Guild | www.penmakersguild.com |
| The Pen Shop | www.thepenshop.net | Pen Turner's Forum | www.penturners.org |
| Penn's Woods | www.stores.pennswoodsstock.net | Russ Fairfield | www.woodturnerruss.com |
| Saw Mill Creek Forum | www.sawmillcreek.org | Turning Projects/Tips | www.newwoodworker.com/turning/ |
| The Turner's Shop | www.theturnersshop.com/ | Wood Central Forum | www.woodcentral.com |
| Wood Net Forums | www.woodnet.net/forums/ | Woodturning Online | www.woodturningonline.com/ |

CASCADE WOODTURNERS SPONSORS

Remember that your current membership card is good for discounts at our club sponsors listed below.

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| <u>Gilmer Wood Company</u> | 2211 NW Saint Helens Rd Portland, OR 97210 (503) 274-1271 [Map] | Discount varies depending on item, 10% + or - |
| <u>KLINGSPOR Abrasives, Inc.</u> | Mail Order (800) 228-0000 | 10% off everything in the catalog except corded tools. |
| <u>Rockler Woodworking & Hardware</u> | Beaverton Town Square 1773 SW Beaverton Hillsdale Beaverton, OR 97005 (503) 672-7266 [Map] | 10% off |
| <u>Woodcraft Supply</u> | 12020 SW Main Street Tigard, OR 97223 (503) 684-1428 [Map] | 10% off |
| Woodcrafters <u>http://www.woodcrafters.us</u> | 212 NE 6th Ave Portland, OR 97232 (503) 231-0226 [Map] | 10% off (not on everything) |
| Carbide Saw | 4040 S.E. Division St., Portland 97202 (503)2352260 | 10% discount. Bandsaw, saw blades and router bits. |

LATE CLASSIFIED ENTRY:

Woodfast lathe Model M408H including a number of chucks and many hand tools. There are even a couple of pieces of wood to make bowls. I would like to sell it as a package if possible. Vickie Matlock 503.669 8132

