

Turning Times

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CASCADE WOODTURNERS

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Please make sure that all content for the next newsletter reaches me by the 1st of November! rgklug@crestviewcable.com Thanks!

**NEXT MEETING: 7:00PM, THURSDAY, October 20th AT FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL
5405 SE Woodward St, Portland, OR**

OCTOBER TO DO LIST

- 1st – Vote for AAW Board Members – Ballots due by Oct 21st.
- 2nd – Bring that wood treasure you never got around to turning to the auction, or a tool...

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Presidents Corner – Thank Goodness for the Rain

I always think that I will be able to get in a lot of turning during the long summer evenings. Unfortunately the yard and garden whisper things like ‘take advantage of the sunshine while you can’ and ‘the weeds and blackberries are taking over’. I let the garden lie fallow this year because I expected to be too busy, but it still needed occasional weeding. The blackberries just laughed at the gallons of Roundup and would only respond to brute force. By the time I have mowed the lawn and pulled a few weeds, it was time to call it a day. Then there was house maintenance, cutting firewood and gutter cleaning. Even when I did go into the shop a voice would say ‘when are you going to clean this place’, ‘those chips should go into the garden’, ‘where is my auction donation’, ‘have you sharpened any tools lately’ and ‘just a minor reorganization’ and I can start turning’. So as usual, the actuality is that I get more turning done after the fall rains start. With that in mind you can understand when I look out my office window and mumble something about the rains finally starting.

A last reminder about the auction this month.... We have already had several generous donations made by our local businesses and the auction is shaping up to be better than ever. That is only possible when everyone brings their spare tool, nice wood and turnings donations. One of my favorite things at the auction is the chance to obtain other members turnings. There will again be Mystery Boxes with an assortment of blanks and surprises within. We will also have several people donating their time for individual lessons. And

remember, those lessons come with peanut butter sandwiches :) The auctions are always fun and entertaining, so bring lots of stuff, and MONEY!

October is officer nomination month and a chance to volunteer and help the club. Please consider helping in some way. The club only works for all our benefits when members participate. Many of the jobs can be shared and that makes it even easier.

One of our longest standing members, Phillip Collins, is now in poor health and home bound. Visits would be welcome.

Dave Williams dwilliams97007@yahoo.com

DALE'S CORNER

Open shop on September 24th had 11 turners at Dale's shop. Several nice bowls were turned and several tools were sharpened. Open shop for Oct will be Saturday October 29th starting at about 9:00am. We have no standards, everyone is welcome.

A request. For members who came to the September open shop someone picked up a 1/2 bowl gouge belonging to another turner. Can you please check your tool buckets for a 1/2 inch bowl gouge that doesn't belong to you and bring it to the meeting? Thanks.
Dale

Another request. Please consider stepping up and volunteering to be an officer for the chapter next year. A good number of our members have already served in different officer positions. Take your turn in the barrel. This spreads the work around and a few members are not stuck with all the work. You will enjoy working with some great people and if you volunteer I don't have to draft you (which I have done in the past).

We had 22 members here on Wednesday Sept 14th for the all day demo with Avelino Samuel. I want to thank everyone that came and supported Avelino's trip. It is a risk for the chapter to bring in new demonstrators but I think the members who came will agree that Avelino did a great job. We will have several of his collaborative pieces for the Oct auction (if we get them finished!).

Dale woodbowl@frontier.com

MEETING SCHEDULE 2011

DATE	DEMONSTRATOR	CHALLENGE
OCT 20	Auction	Spend a lot
NOV 17	Mark Gardener	Christmas Ornaments

SETEMBER MEETING

The challenge winner was to turn something that would fit into a 35mm film container. This shows how high the age of most members is as we knew what a film canister was.

Avelino Samuel picked the winner but commented that he was impressed with all the miniatures turned for the challenge. Avelino picked the box with an offset turned lid handle by Randy Rhine. Randy was generous to donate his gift certificate to the dollar raffle.



That is a dime in the photo.

Here are the rest of the challenge pieces.



The turned copy of a 35mm film canister has a spinning top inside and the left pill container holds a segmented box.

A lot of fine miniature turning.

The sho'n'tell table held a number of fine turnings. Here are some examples of segmented pepper mills and rose engine work.



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The day before the meeting saw a good turnout at Dale Larson's shop for an all day demo by Avelino Samuel. He makes a lot of his own tools and deftly hollows with a captured boring system. On Wednesday he turned a spiral hollow form with a thin graceful finial. For the Thursday evening demo, Avelino turned a fluted vase showing captured hollowing, power carving, using a rabbit plane and sanding to shape the piece. His works also use wood burning to texture surfaces.



This piece is similar to the meeting demo piece but in ash instead of madrone. The larger outside convex radius is formed with a rabbit plane after the vertical groove is carved.

SKILL BUILDER

If you have decided to combine light colored wood turnings with the addition of a dark wood accent you may have been disappointed. The sanding powder from the darker wood has discolored the light wood. This happens because the pores of the lighter wood have become clogged with the darker sanding dust. Usually no amount of work can return the light wood's brilliance. This is especially true with holly.

Adding that African Blackwood stripe to the feature ring of your segmented holly hollow form or a paduck collar to the hazelnut vase can be accomplished by taking a few extra steps. Use two coats of sanding sealer or shellac before the first sanding. Recoat between each step in sanding. You may also want to sand with a vacuum with the brush attachment located near the color joint to quickly remove the dust before the darker sanding dust can migrate to the light wood. Use new clean sandpaper for each grit step.

This adds a few steps but the results are worth it when you finish that turning with clean high contrast woods adjacent to each other.

I want to thank Alan Zenreich, Harry Robinette, John Lucas and Mike Stafford, contributors all to Wood Central for raising these suggestions to a problem many have had.

SANDING TIP

By Joe Escriva

A few months ago Jim Hall, told us how to make sanding pads that are flexible using 3", 5", or 6", or whatever, adhesive disks secured to rubber pads made from inner tubes. Now if you don't know what an "Inner tube" is, ask Jim or Dale, they are old enough to remember. Guaranteed you will get some kind of a knowledgeable answer, I think. Any way, they work great, except the paper from the disk will sometime stay stuck to the rubber disk. So to alleviate this problem I checked to see if just a hook side of a Velcro is available..... You betcha..... One can purchase in "White or Black" even some bold colors, in the HOOK or the FELT I be leave the smallest amount one can purchase is a 3 ft. roll. So for one roll 2" X 3ft = \$3.99 plus S&H. Can't beat that a fabric store. O.K, O.K. you can order it on line at, Tapebrothers.com . I will try and remember to bring one to the October 20th meeting. See you then.

Joe

Footnote: Sharon Doughtie uses any long thin thing (sanded paint stirring sticks, stout non corrugated cardboard, etc..) and double back tapes the Velcro to them for custom shaped sanding sticks. Fold the sand paper with hook & loop around the stick and you have a double sided sander that will get into grooves and corners.

SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

- North Carolina Woodturners Bi-Annual Symposium, Greensboro NC Nov 4th – 6th
- Woodturners of Olympia Symposium, Lacy, WA July 28th, 2012

DEMOS - CLASSES – SEMINARS

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

- Pen Turning Demo – Oct 15th 9:30 – 11:30

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

- Beginning Lathe Turning (\$105) by Bob Tuck, Oct 29th 10:00-4:00
- Turning Christmas Ornaments (\$105) by Bob Tuck, Oct 30th 10:00-4:00
- Turning a Box Demo Nov 5th 1:00-2:00
- Beginning Lathe Turning (\$105) by Bob Tuck, Nov 12th 10:00-4:00
- Turning Gift & Specialty Items (\$105) by Bob Tuck, Nov 13th 10:00-4:00

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

- See store for events scheduled

AAW NEWS

The American Woodturner for August includes the ballot for AAW Board of Directors. The ballots must be postmarked no later than October 21st, 2011. The candidates for the three positions are profiled in the August issue. Voting may be by either the paper ballot or electronically by logging into <http://www.woodturner.org/boardvote/>

The October issue of American Woodturner includes a membership renewal form for the AAW. If you don't currently belong, take a moment and join now. Our interest in woodturning is greatly enhanced by the work of many generous members of the AAW.

FAIR COMPETITION

Cascade Wood Turners Kathleen Duncan, Bill Giffin & Ken Kirkman made a great showing at the Clark County Fair, Clark County, Washington. From wizard wands to platters, bowls to shaving set, urns to mortar & pestle lathe work and beautiful wood were highlighted. Ribbons galore were garnered by the three turners, nothing less than a red ribbon for any of the submissions. Bill received a first on each of his three entries. Best of Class was awarded to Kathleen for her amazing wedding goblet with rings.



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.

Note the price increase on walnut oil – still a good bargain

Company Store Item	Price
Accelerator (for Cyanoacrylate adhesives/CA), sprayer, 8 oz	\$6.75 each
Anchor Seal, one gallon	\$13.50 each
Cyanoacrylate adhesives (CA) - Thin, Medium and Thick, 2oz bottles	\$5.75 each
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

Currently we are buying end seal in 5 gallon pails and selling it for \$13.50 which nets us a \$.10 per gallon. If we were to buy a 55 gal drum, the cost would be about \$9 per gallon. I need to know how many people would sign up for a gallon or two to decide whether or not to try this. Storing a 55 gal drum is a problem. If we get enough, we could then store the remaining in 5 gallon pails. Please respond to me, Jerry Harris, westwoodct@comcast.net, or 503 244 6921 and let me know how much you would take. Thanks. - Jerry Harris

COMING ATTRACTIONS

October will be the annual club auction.

November will bring Mark Gardner for not only a demo but a hands on class on Friday November 18th and an all day demo Saturday the 19th. The hands on class is \$90 and the Saturday all day demo is \$30. You can see more of Mark's turnings by looking at his web site, http://markgardnerstudio.com/section/51478_Vessels.html



A few examples of Mark Gardner's woodturnings.

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.

FOR SALE: A Stanley #92 plane. The one Avelino Samuel uses. I don't know enough about planes to get it to work right, so it's for sale. Brand new, with 20 minutes of struggle time on it. Price is \$75. Howard Borer email: howardborer@yahoo.com phone: 503.658.3409

WANTED: I am looking for a Oneway Talon Chuck -- 1" x 8 TPI. David Raphael
503.235.7840 - draphael@comcast.net

WANTED: Bandsaw, preferably with a large height capacity, recent vintage and in good working order. If you are selling or know of a lead, please call Marc Vickery 503-698-3150 or email to halepaumarc@gmail.com

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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