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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CASCADE WOODTURNERS





NOVEMBER 2021

Please make sure that all content for the next newsletter reaches me by the 1st of January! turningwood@bendbroadband.com Thanks!

NEXT MEETING: 6:45 PM, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18th IN PERSON AND VIA ZOOM

In person meetings will be held at "Wild Lilac Child Development" 3829 SE 74th Ave *Control +click here for map*; https://www.google.com/maps/place/3829+SE+74th+Ave/@45.487836,-122.5792806,15z/data=!4m6!3m5!1s0x5495a04735d99839:0x22a8f62a1e5a71b2!4b1!8m2!3d45.4946088!4d-122.5874882

COVID SAFETY:

People who attend the meeting in person must be vaccinated, wear a mask while in the building, and try to remain six feet away from other attendees. Cascade will have K95 masks available for anyone that needs one.

Presidents Message

Happy November and Happy Thanksgiving!

I want to start this month's message on a personal note. It has been a great experience serving as your President for the past two years. The Cascaded Woodturners Leadership Team has been great to work with and together we have guided the club through some very uncertain times. Thanks to the resilience of our membership and the hard work of our leadership team, we have persevered and in some ways, the club has made significant improvements.

Some of our key successes include exiting the PNCI facility and getting set up in a more central location. There are plusses and minuses with any change, but with some work, we can make Wild Lilac facility an excellent meeting location. We have moved to a Hybrid Zoom meeting model. This has more flexibility for our members as they can choose to attend meetings in person or from the comfort of their homes via Zoom. And, finally, we are back to holding our Annual Auction, doing Show & Tell and holding monthly Raffles.

In November, we will have an Interactive Remote Demonstration by Roberto Ferrer. More information about Roberto will follow soon, but check out his website in the meantime:

https://www.ferrerstudioart.com/

I do encourage members to join in person at Wild Lilac for our November meeting, but it will also be broadcast via Zoom – as not everyone will be comfortable getting together with others at this time.

We are also going to have a RAFFLE for members that choose to join in person. We have a lot of wood to raffle off over the next six months or so, so please join us and take advantage of the wood. You are, of course, welcome to bring wood into the raffle as always, but I would estimate we will have 50+ pieces for the raffle for the foreseeable future!

I look forward to seeing each of you In-Person or via Zoom on Thursday, November 18th. The meeting will start at 6:45 PM, to give members time to drive to the Wild Lilac Child Development Center. The doors will open about 6:00PM.

The address is 3829 SE 74th Ave, Portland, OR 97206, but I do encourage you to consider parking on 73rd Ave as there is good street parking and you can come in the back door directly to the gymnasium. The entrance from 74th Ave will also be open, so whichever is easier for you.

Thanks,

Gary Borders
President, Cascade Woodturners
gbborders@comcast.net

CASCADE WOODTURNERS ASSOCIATION SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2022

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Past-President Gary Borders

Members will vote on the Cascade Officers and members of the board of directors for calendar year 2022 at the November 2021 meeting. Above is the list of people who have been nominated to become officers and directors. If you are not able to attend this meeting in person or via ZOOM, you may respond by email to: Gary Borders, gbborders@comcast.net with your vote no later than November 17, 2021.

Upon an affirmative vote of at least 20% of the current total membership of 114 members, these elected officers duties will begin on January 1, 2022 and continue thru December 31, 2022.

* - Since Steve Walgrave is continuing as Secretary and is also an integral part of our tech team in producing our Zoom and the in-person technology at the meetings, his talents are needed in these areas so I am asking to replace him in the position of Store Keeper. I would like to have someone step forward and volunteer to take over this position for 2022. You may contact me by phone or by email (see below). I'll be waiting for your phone call or email so I can explain further what the Store Keeper duties are.

Thanks to all and I look forward to an exciting new year!

Suzanne Jensen 772-521-5102 <u>suzannejensen@bellsouth.net</u>

TREASURERS REPORT

Time to renew your Membership: Price is the same as last year, \$35

There are two ways to renew your membership:

A. On-line via our website using a credit card or

B. Mail me a check to 22429 NE 234th Court Battle Ground, Wa 98604. Either way you can print your own membership card off our site. If you have any questions, give me a call at 360-687-9866. Ken Kirkman

DALE'S CORNER

With the increased Covid load in Oregon I am not comfortable in a closed building at close quarters with a large group. With the weather getting towards winter I think open shop Saturday has to wait until next spring. We can hope this pandemic has run its course by then.

Dale Larson

AAW NEWS



Live Online Events

Your AAW is offering numerous on line demos each month for your participation and enjoyment. There were over a dozen scheduled this month alone. Check out the "Remote Demonstration Event Calendar" on your AAW web page https://community.woodturner.org/events/ird-demonstrations?_zs=U5Eib&_zl=agET2 then click on "events".

Women In Turning

The women's turning is still on COVID hiatus.

Kathleen

SAFETY AND HOLIDAY GIFTS

I love making toys for my grandkids that help them develop their understanding of science, technology, engineering and math ("STEM"). Those toys often have moving parts that I make on my scroll saw.

Two of my grandkids were scheduled to come over when I saw an article on making "ramp walkers." Ramp walkers illustrate several STEM principles and they looked really easy to make. Here's a video of some ramp walkers:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aBq6VArNyQY

I figured I would whip a couple of stegosauruses out using plans from a recent Scrollsaw magazine. I copied the design exactly. Cutting and gluing it took a couple of days. It looked fine - but it didn't walk.

My grandkids postponed their visit so I decided to try a wombat with a simpler design.



https://www.lumberjocks.com/MagicSawDust/blog/59162

I printed the design, glued it to the wood, and stack-cut the pieces. In theory this means the pieces are all identical. Two grandkids were visiting so I made two identical wombats. One

walked and the other didn't.





I read advice on tuning ramp walkers and went to the hardware store for parts to change the center of gravity and reduce leg friction, but I was never able to get both ramp walkers to walk acceptably.

Happily, the grandkids really enjoyed trying to make them walk anyway, and coloring them with markers. But the ramp walkers that I thought would take me a couple of hours to make actually took a couple of weeks, and still needed work after that.

I'm mentioning this because the holiday season is approaching and lots of us will be making holiday gifts. I have found that, for me at least, making holiday gifts can be a dangerous activity.

That's not because the techniques I use to make holiday gifts are particularly dangerous, it's because the deadlines are so unforgiving. *Nobody* wants to be the Santa who shows up a day or two late with toys that still smell like Watco.

So I'm writing this article to encourage you (and me) to start making our holiday gifts early.

Personally I divide gifts I might make into three categories:

- 1. Wonderful gifts.
- 2. OK gifts.
- 3. Boring gifts.



A wonderful gift is one I think will be fun to get, and, because I have never made it before and am not quite sure how to make it, will be lots of fun for me to try to make.

The picture on the left shows a wonderful gift that I designed and made a few years ago for a granddaughter who likes trains. I started it a couple of months before the holiday season, spent a lot of late nights in the shop and barely finished it in time.

An OK gift is one I think will be fun to get, that I have made before, but was sure I could make

better (so there would be challenges in making it again).

A boring gift is one I think will be fun to get, that I have made before, and that I am confident I can make again.

I hate making boring gifts, so I almost always make OK gifts or try to make wonderful gifts.

I haven't measured precisely, but I think OK gifts take me roughly the square of the time I think they should, so an OK gift that I think should take about three hours of shop time likely will take

me nine hours. Wonderful gifts take me roughly the cube of the time I think they should, so a wonderful gift that I think should take about three hours of shop time likely will take me 27 hours.

Projects that take a long time aren't inherently dangerous. The danger in making holiday gifts comes from rushing. When you rush you take shortcuts to save time. Some results from shortcuts are merely inconvenient (like slopping glue or finish on things you didn't intend to glue or finish), but some woodturning shortcuts can actually hurt you. For example:

- You don't take the time to make yet another trip to the wood store, so you use wood you already have that has cracks or defects. Those cracks and defects can make the blank blow up when you spin it fast on the lathe.
- You don't double check that your spindle blank is held firmly between centers, or that the tenon or recess on your bowl blank is properly sized and your four-jaw chuck fits tightly in it, so the blank comes flying off the lathe.
- You don't take the time to sharpen because you are almost done anyway, so you force the
 dull tool into the wood. This force can cause a catch and even knock the block off the
 lathe
- You don't clean the shavings out from under your lathe, the uneven surface where you stand makes you stagger or slip, and you push a body part into the spinning blank.

Wiser people than I will likely make boring gifts for the holiday season. I admire their good sense. But me, I have an idea for a ramp walker that is mostly turned. In my mind it seems wonderful, so I guess I better start on it right now!

Have a safe and happy holiday season!

Harvey Rogers, Safety Officer

COOL TIP TIME

From: Doug Pizac wood@pizac.com

Here is a tip for those who need a pencil but end up having to look around one's shop for it.

Simply use hot glue to attach a small rectangular magnet to the marker whereupon it can be affixed to your lathe within easy reach. By gluing it near the eraser end, you can keep sharpening the pencil down to a nub. Then pop the magnet off, use your fingernail to peel off the old glue and attach it to a new pencil with a dab of hot glue.

This is so handy, I have similar pencil magnets on my bandsaw, drill press, table saw, chop saw/radial arm saw cutting station and garage refrigerator for notes.



LIBRARY NEWS

Hi Everyone,

We miss you! It's been too long since we've gotten together. Please don't forget us – we're here and thinking about you.

Since we are having in person meetings again please remember to keep your *Cascade Woodturner's* library books, magazines, and videos in a place you can find them, so that you will be able to return them to us. We would be happy to remind you of what you have checked out. Anyway, please, please keep track of the books, videos, magazines, and anything else you may have. Thank you!

Len (print material) and Suzanne (digital collection)

Len & Suzanne

Len Otto

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MEETING SCHEDULE 2021

DATE	DEMONSTRATOR		
NOV 18	Roberto Ferrer	In person and by Zoom	

DEMOS - CLASSES - SEMINARS

-Due to the Coronavirus cancellations check to see if the MAC is open or if our woodturning stores are still open and having classes or demos-

Multnomah Arts Center: Multnomah Arts Center in SW Portland continues to have woodturning classes. Check their catalog or phone 503 823 2787. You can goggle 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. The woodturning classes that I teach at the Multnomah Arts Center in SW Portland continue to be only partially filled. There are 6 places and we have only been having 2 to 4 students. The costs for the classes are very reasonable and we provide tools, equipment and wood. No coffee but Starbucks is just across the street. Thanks, Jerry Harris

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

Contact store for class details

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

Contact store for class details

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

Contact store for demo detail

COMPANY STORE

The Store will be carrying a second type of Sheet Abrasive for our members. Keeping the Klingspor quality while offering a new line of sandpaper. Which will reduce your cost of sandpaper and decrease your lathe time. We are currently offering Silicon Carbide (wet and dry), as of the next meeting you can purchase Aluminum Oxide in sheets of 9" x 11" and 80 to 400 grit.

Through the club, we purchase many items that are commonly used by woodturners. We buy in bulk and sell at cost. Just another benefit of being a member of Cascade Woodturners! If a number of members want a certain item, we could be low on it.

Cascade WoodTurners now has an online STORE for your turning supplies!

Since we are not having in-person meetings, and until we do, we have created an online store for you, our members. You will find it on the Cascade Website, in the Members Only section. Orders and payments are all handled online. Then, once a month a location will be identified as the order pick-up location, hopefully centralized based on the orders. Try it, you'll like it!

Current prices are listed on the Cascade Woodturners website.

CLASSIFIEDS

To place or continue an ad, contact Jerry Klug at turningwood@bendbroadband.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: Flexcut Carving Tool Set in box with Mallet

This set of tools has never been sharpened, Little or no use on them. The price includes a hard wooden mallet approx. 12 oz. Estimated value 45.00

Flexcut Mallet Carving Tool set (MC 100) 10 pc. Deluxe Set.

Mallet Tools included: MC203 #3 x 1/2", MC403 #3 x 1", MC505 #5 x 1-3/16", MC307 #7 x 11/16", MC309 #9 x 1/2", MC511 #10 x 3/4", MC211 #11 x 1/8", MC311 #11 x 1/4", MC245 45 deg. x 3/16", MC460 60 deg. x 1/2".

List price \$327.95

Sell Price 260.00 includes a Mallet

Russ Coker

Contact racoker@comcast.net & 503 701 2508





FOR SALE: Long time Cascade woodturner Bob Espen died in February. His wife Terry is selling his equipment. The equipment is in Toledo Washington just off I-5. Some lathe accessories, small tools and cool wood are still available. Below is a list of the big equipment for sale. If you are interested in the big equipment contact Terry Espen at 360-269-3886



Woodfast lathe model m910 \$2000



Powermatic disk/belt sander \$800



Rockwell Delta router table model 43-502 \$250



Craftsman welder 230/280 amp \$150

FOR SALE: General Lathe M160 110vt, variable speed, 1" thread, 12" capacity. \$800 - Dewalt - Clean Stream dust collector 1 1/2hp 110/220 v \$250 - Grizzly table saw 3hp 220 v 10" blade \$300 - Makita miter saw model LS 1000 \$50 - Delta industrial drill press model 17-968 \$500 - Vince Nance, former member of Cascade woodturners is retiring from woodturning and has to sell his place. His house is located in inner SE Portland. Phone 503-719-5316.

FOR SALE: Oneway Spindle Steady Part No. 3280 with 1 ¾ inch gap bed clamp (for Oneway lathe). Used, but good shape. I thought I was buying the bowl steady. New ones are about \$130 plus \$20 for the clamp. \$75 or trade for a bowl steady or maybe something else. John Replinger 503-719-3383

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