

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 4th Of July! rgklug@crestviewcable.com Thanks!

**NEXT MEETING: 7:00PM, THURSDAY, June 17th AT FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL
5405 SE Woodward St, Portland, OR**

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Happy 20th Anniversary, Cascade Woodturners! According to Dale Larson, the first meeting of what became Cascade Woodturners was held May 17, 1990. So where have we and woodturning come in 20 years? Cascade started with 26 people at the first meeting – our membership has grown to 92 as of this month. We’ve met in several different locations in Portland. We’ve had scores of presentations by internationally renowned turners as well as those by our own members and those in commerce or industry related to woodturning and wood.

Since 1990, tools, lathes, finishes, and even some of the materials we turn have changed tremendously. Woodturning has evolved from mostly utilitarian and round to include everything from the practical pieces to works of art where sometimes it is difficult to recognize that the original piece was actually turned. There are special interest groups that didn’t exist twenty years ago – pen turners, segmented turners, ornamental turners, etc. Because of AAW and clubs around the world, we are more educated in woodturning, safety, and tools. And we have made the general public more aware of woodturning. What has not changed is woodturner’s generosity and eagerness to share ideas and techniques with fellow woodturners. This is certainly evident with the Cascade membership. This was what struck me most about Cascade when I joined the group in 2005. I came to Cascade from Eastern Washington where I didn’t know any other woodturners. In Cascade, I found a group of people willing to teach their skills and share their experiences.

For our June meeting, we will have a program I’m calling “mystery turner”. You’ll need to come to the meeting to find who and what will be turned. I encourage all of you to bring something to show and tell, but this will be different show and tell. We’d like you

to bring in pieces that you've acquired that were turned by someone else. If you don't have anything in that category, bring one of your earliest pieces and one of your most recent. We will have tables set up for a swap meet – this will be a good opportunity to either sell that tool you no longer use, or buy the one that you've always wanted to try. I hope to have Jerry Harris' video of five member's shops available to watch – maybe you can pick up some ideas for something you'd like to do in your shop. And of course, what anniversary celebration would be complete without cake?

The month's challenge is a "box".

Safe turning and see you at the June meeting

Kathleen Duncan, President
Cascade Woodturners
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CLUB NOTES

There are a couple projects in the late planning stages:

- ❖ Home made wood burner
- ❖ Building a center rest

If you have a burning desire to construct a wood burner that can instantly start forest fires or want to find a use for inline skate wheels that mount to your lathe, contact Ken Kirkman kenpegkirkman@gmail.com or (360)687-9866.

Ken will need to know which type of wood burner you are interested in building. One is made by modifying a battery charger. The other is built from scratch with Radio Shack components. They both deliver the same wattage but the one from scratch must also have a case built to house the components. The battery charger type utilizes the case that comes with the charger. Jerry Harris is working with Ken on this project.

The center rest construction is Baltic birch plywood and skate wheels. Contact Ken with the size of your lathe as the design has to be modified for different spindle to ways measurements. Right now the 20" Powermatic and the 10" Jet Mini plans are ready. If there is interest in a side rest, that can be included. Side rests use two wheels and look similar to the Oneway rest. Jerry Klug is working with Ken on the center rest project.

Jerry Harris has procured our sandpaper supply for the Club Store at a price where the cost will return to the \$1.00 per sheet as before.

There will be another Club Group Order from Craft Supplies if we meet the minimum for the order. Contact Jerry Klug rgklug@crestviewcable.com or (541) 550-6299 if you are interested in participating in the group order. Craft Supplies will discount items 13% and ship free for club group orders. Orders with a deposit will be taken at the June meeting if there is enough volume to make the order minimum.

DALE'S CORNER

Open shop this month had 10 turners here. We will not have open shop this month because the trip to the AAW Symposium will have worn ole Dale out.

With only four of us original members of the original Cascade Woodturning's 26 still active I will miss being at the 20th anniversary meeting. Bob Tuck, Howard Borer, Jim Hall and I were at that May 17th meeting in 1990 that started all this. I will be thinking about you all while I am at the AAW Symposium.

All 20 openings for Eli Avisera's class July 25-27 have been filled. I'll take a few extra on a back up list in case someone needs to drop out. Eli travels all over the world teaching. If you take his class, expect to turn wood for three days. Eli has some interesting and unique tool techniques. If interested, call Dale 503-661-7793.

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.

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.

MAY MEETING

Alan Batty entertained us with his wonderful stories and a lot of tips and techniques from his long carrier as a production turner. The demonstration of making spirals was a great help to many in the audience even if you don't turn stair spindles or candlesticks. The same techniques are used to make spiral fluted hollow forms. Alan provided information on layout of different spirals and if you want a copy, contact Kathleen Duncan.

The show'n'tell table was full of well turned items. There were also a number of thin turned challenge items to appreciate. The items on display are at the website in the gallery section.

There were four guests visiting.

MEETING SCHEDULE '09

Demonstrator

June	20 th Cascade Woodturners Anniversary
July 15 th	Eli Avisera –
Aug	Art Liestman –
Sept 16 th	Annual Auction
Oct 12 th	Michal Werner –
Nov 18 th	Lloyd DeWerff – Christmas Ornaments
December	No Meeting – Happy Holidays

Challenge

Boxes

MONTHLY CHALLENGE

Bring your lidded box turnings to the April meeting.



Skip Burke and his prize winning thin bowl. After Malcolm Zander's demo and class there were quite a few who tried their hand at very thin turning. Skip turned his bowl out of cedar with a poly finish.

BARGAIN BIN

Doug Brown has wood from a cherry tree that was donated to the Pacific Northwest Woodturning Guild available for sale (cheap) because there is more than the Guild can use. Most of the wood is 2' split bowl blanks, some is figured and all has good color. If you need something special Doug may cut it for you, let him know and he can bring it to the next meeting on the 17th. Or come by and get what you want before everyone else, Doug is in SE PDX at 7512 SE Ramona St Portland, Or 97206. Call first 503-774-5701 or 503-442-7118

GOOD WOOD WEBSITES

This month's wood web site is <http://www.woodturningvideosplus.com/index.html> where you will find Steven Russell's web page. I first saw Steven Russell demonstrating tool sharpening at a Woodworkers Show in Seattle quite a few years ago. His instruction was clear and concise. I bought a "tips" DVD and later signed up for his "Lathe Talk" e-mail newsletter. The newsletter is free and you can sign up for it on his home page. Along with videos, Steven offers a library of tips and ideas to improve your turning.

SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

- AAW Symposium Hartford, Conn. June 18-20, 2010
- Woodturners of Olympia, Lacey, WA July 24th 2010
- 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

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
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

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.

TOOLS

Record Table Top Lathe: 6 x 14, 1/3 HP, 540/1140/2440 RPM - \$100

Bill Scharwatt, 13980 Amberwood Circle, Lake Oswego, OR 97035, 503-639-0974, scharwatt@aol.com

TOOLS & SHOP SUPPLIES

Ollie Murray is offering a large number of tools, sandpaper and misc shop items for sale. Examples of tools are: Band saw, Drill press, Radial saw, Table saw, Grinder, Disc/belt sander, and more. Contact Ollie at 503-253-9242

WOOD

Cherry – contact Doug Brown 503-774-5701 or 503-442-7118

DEMOS - CLASSES – SEMINARS

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

- Turning Pens – June 19th 9:30-11:30

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

- Beginning Lathe Turning (\$105) by Bob Tuck, June 12th 10:00-4:00
- Off Center Turning (\$105) by Bob Tuck, June 13th 10:00-4:00
- Pen Turning by staff, July 25th 1:00-4:00
- Beginning Lathe Turning (\$105) by Bob Tuck, July 31st 10:00-4:00
- Basic Bowl Turning by Bob Tuck, Aug 1st 10:00-4:00

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

- Contact store for Saturday Demo schedule

Woodturners of Olympia www.woodturnersofolympia.org

2010 Symposium, Saturday, July 24th. With Alan Lacer, David Schweitzer & Bill Luce

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!

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 chet@spiritone.com	Hollow forms, Carving, and Embellishment

QUICK LINKS:

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.

<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.