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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 9th Of August! rgklug@crestviewcable.com Thanks!

NEXT MEETING: 7:00PM, THURSDAY, July 15th AT FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL 5405 SE Woodward St, Portland, OR

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Summer arrived on schedule -- July 5th at about 4pm in Ridgefield -- I hope it stays for a while. Given the weather we've had, I don't think you'll here me complaining about the temperature in the shop.

I want to thank all our "mystery turners" from last month. By one vote, the goblet by the team of Doug Brown, Neil Seigel and John Wirth was deemed the winner. The other turners were Glenn Burki, Joe Jedrychowski, Jerry Klug, Phil Lapp, Jim McAllister, and Mike Worthington. Thanks to all of you for participating even though you didn't know what you were getting into. We will have all three goblets in the auction – it is a very nice un-matched set to add to your collection. We'll try to get Jerry Harris' shop video in later this year. Thanks to everyone who helped with the celebration. One of the things Bob Tuck reminded us in his comments, is that it is our club and we all need to pitch in once in a while. This has been a fun year – lots of new faces in the group, and lots of different people stepping in and helping out.

Since I am keeper of the goblets until the auction, I've been using them as inspiration to work on some of my own. Our three mystery teams did a nice job designing their goblets. If you've not made one, I suggest you try one. There are several design elements involved. Proportion is pretty important. The three teams made it look really easy. At present, I'm trying to find a suitable finish that will keep the wood from staining with use. I've been finding a lot of suggestions on the internet. Common wisdom seems to be that any type of finish is food safe if it is alcohol resistant and you let it cure for at least 30 days. Last night I tried a concoction of epoxy and acetone. It looks kind of plastic-y, especially the puddle that hardened at the bottom. But it doesn't stain. I tested it with balsamic vinegar – the closest thing I could find without wasting any wine.

Our challenge this month is "something for the kitchen". Our guest turner will be Eli Avisera from Israel. This is Eli's third visit to Cascade. He is an excellent teacher and great to watch. I'm sure that he'll have new ideas to share with us this year.

Safe turning and see you at the June meeting

Kathleen Duncan, President Cascade Woodturners woodspinner@gmail.com

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.

The club is purchasing a chuck for the lathe. There have been a number of times that visiting demonstrators needed a stronghold type jaws to mount their work. Now we will be better equipped for the demos.

DALE'S CORNER

We will not have open shop this month. Plan to work on a turning at the "open shop" in August.

The AAW Symposium in Hartford had over 1200 attending. The vendors area displayed new tools and many name turners demonstrating and discussing with the members.

We have two openings for Eli's class on July 19-21 and one for the July 25-27 class. Eli is a world class instructor and a great guy. The class costs \$225 for three days. 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

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Some examples of Eli"s work.











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.

JUNE MEETING

Our 20th anniversary party was great fun. Having Dennis Stewart, the "founding father" of Cascade Woodturners with us to celebrate and Bob Tuck, one of the four continuous members talk on the history and memories of the last 20 years was great. Bob mentioned that the AAW had but around 1,000 members when the club was formed and now is over 13,000. The available supplies and variety of equipment sure has expanded too. We all should consider what Bob said about being active in the club, your turning experience will only grow as you participate in the operation of the club.

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

The display of "turnings by someone else" had many pieces done by well known artists that have been collected by different club members. Each had an interesting story.

There were ten guests visiting.

MEETING SCHEDULE '09

Demonstrator Challenge

July 15th Eli Avisera – Kitchen utensils

Aug Nick Skagg –
Sept 16th Annual Auction
Oct 12th Michal Werner –

Nov 18th Lloyd DeWerff – Christmas Ornaments

December No Meeting – Happy Holidays

MONTHLY CHALLENGE

Bring your kitchen utensil turnings to the July meeting.



Gene Shaw won the June challenge with the red inset lid box. My wife always says my box lids are too hard to open. Only another turner appreciates a loud popping sound when opening a box. Gene's box had that elusive suction fit but you didn't have to pull hard to get it off. This is the best fitting lid I have tried.

BARGAIN BIN

Doug Brown still 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 15th. 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 Brian McEvoy's e-newsletter, The "Lathest" News. Brian does very deep hollowing as well as highly decorated smaller hollow forms. I first saw Brian demonstrating at Provo where he turned a birch piece about 6" diameter and 30" tall. He mounts a light on the cutting bit and maintains thin thickness by the colour (he is from Canada) of the light shining through the wood. The newsletter is free and you can request it by contacting him at brian@onegoodturn.ca. Right now his e-newsletter is hawking his DVDs and explaining how to make a two piece hollow form shaped like a flying saucer. He plans to include more tips and articles as it grows. His web site, www.onegoodturn.ca has some good sequence photos of his deep hollowing process and large platter turning. Check it out.

SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

- 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.ornamentalturners.org
- Segmented Society Symposium, Arrowmont, Gatlinburg, Tenn. Nov 11th–14th, 2010
- Desert Woodturning Roundup, Mesa AZFeb 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	\$5.75 each
bottles	bottle
Sandpaper, Aluminum oxide with heavy cotton cloth backing	\$1.00 each
in 80, 100, 120, 180, 220, 320 & 400 grits	sheet
Walnut Oil - filtered, 16 oz	\$3.00 each

CLASSIFIEDS

To place or continue an ad, contact Jerry Klug at restviewcable.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 79035, 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

Check with store for scheduled events

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

- 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
- 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

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 jandjwirth@comcast.net	Hollow forms, Carving, and Embellishment

QUICK LINKS:

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

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

Gilmer Wood Company	2211 NW Saint Helens Rd Portland, OR 97210 (503) 274-1271 [Map]	Discount varies depending on item, 10% + or -
KLINGSPOR Abrasives, Inc.	Mail Order (800) 228-0000	10% off everything in the catalog except corded tools.
Rockler Woodworking & Hardware	Beaverton Town Square 1773 SW Beaverton Hillsdale Beaverton, OR 97005 (503) 672-7266 [Map]	10% off
Woodcraft Supply	12020 SW Main Street Tigard, OR 97223 (503) 684-1428 [<u>Map</u>]	10% off
Woodcrafters http://www.woodcrafters.us	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.