#### THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CASCADE WOODTURNERS

# **NOVEMBER 2016**

Please make sure that all content for the next newsletter reaches me by the 30<sup>th</sup> of December! turningwood@bendbroadband.com Thanks!

NEXT MEETING: 6:45PM, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18<sup>th</sup> AT WILLAMETTE CARPENTERS TRAINING CENTER

# Cascade Woodturners will be meeting at

#### WILLAMETTE CARPENTERS TRAINING CENTER

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# **November Meeting**

The November meeting will be on FRIDAY, November 18<sup>th</sup>. The change is to have Eric Lofstrom available for our demonstrator. Eric can show how to rapidly turn tops with a skew. Skip has arranged to have us donate turned tops to a local hospital for sick children. The two people bringing the greatest number of tops to the November 18th meeting will each receive a \$10 gift certificate to Craft Supplies. Bring boxes of tops to the meeting.



See more of Eric's turnings on his web site - <a href="http://www.ericlofstrom.com/">http://www.ericlofstrom.com/</a>

# **Presidents Message**

Well, this year is almost over and I hope everyone has had a good time turning, learning new skills, and compiling more wood to turn. I want to express my very sincere appreciation and gratitude for all the help I have received over this year as your President. Setting up and tearing down for our meetings could not have been done without all your helping hands. The assistance with both the all day demo's as well as the hands on classes has been invaluable. I would especially like to thank Harvey Rogers (my VP) who assisted and guided me in all the areas that I needed help (and they were many and varied). An extra special nod of appreciation must be given to our hard working and diligent newsletter editor, Jerry Klug, as well as our highly skilled and tech savvy web mistress, Kathleen Duncan.

I am happy to report that with your participation we have had one of our most successful auctions ever! Hopefully, you all got something you wanted/needed at the auction. If not, please remember we will do this again next year.

Please plan to attend this month's meeting both for Eric Lofstrom's presentation as well as for a chance to vote for next year's slate of officers for Cascade.

This month our meeting will be on Friday November 18th with the all day demo on Saturday November 19th. There is still time and space available to sign up for this demo. Eric plans to cover a myriad of topics, so don't be left out! The hands on class will be on Sunday and if you have not signed up yet then sorry to say but you are out of luck (this class is full).

Keep on turning and hopefully I will be too by December. It's been an honor and great pleasure to serve a year as your President!!

Keep on turning!! Skip Burke President drgramp@comcast.net (503) 233-4263

# **DALE'S CORNER**

October 29th open shop was a good day. We had 18 turners here for the morning. We did some chain sawing. A couple of bowls were roughed out, one finished. A hollow form was turned along with a top. A platter was laid out and started. Open shop was originally set up by Howard and myself to benefit the beginning turners but there has been another benefit I have seen. The experienced turners like Steve Newberry and Pete Gibson that come almost every month have benefited. When they help a beginning turner turn a project, the experienced turner has to explain why and how he uses a tool. And this makes the experienced turner a better turner. The lesson learned here is that you don't have to be a John Jordan to help a beginning turner get started. The sooner you start to help others learn how to turn, the better turner you will become.

The mission of AAW and Cascade Woodturners is the education of woodturning. Share your knowledge. Consider sharing your shop with other turners.

No open shop in November and December because of the holidays. For those of you looking forward to the Portland AAW symposium in 2018, consider going to the 2017 symposium in Kansas City. You will make many life long friends from all across the country and abroad. And if you don't spend your money doing something you enjoy, your kids will just use it to have a big party when you drop dead.

Thank you Dale

#### **VP'S VOICE**

#### **Election!**

November is election month, not just for inconsequential elections like the President of the United States, but also for truly important things like the election of the Cascade Woodturners Association board and officers.

Skip Burke will continue on the board as Past President, and does not need to be nominated or elected. As Vice-President, it is my job to nominate officers and the rest of the board members for 2017.

I nominate the following folks as officers and board members:

#### Officers:

President: Harvey Rogers Vice President: Jim Piper Secretary: Bill Herrold Treasurer: Howard Borer

#### **Board Members:**

Board member in charge of the video library: Geraldine Clark Board member in charge of the book library: Mike Worthington

Board member in charge of the store: Bill Karow Board member in charge of the newsletter: Jerry Klug Board member in charge of the website: Kathleen Duncan

Board member at large: David Williams Board member at large: Marc Vickery

We can add board positions; if you are interested in serving on the board, please contact me before the November meeting.

At the November meeting I will present these nominations. Members can also nominate people at the meeting. Then we will ask members present at the meeting to vote on the officers and board members for 2016.

#### **Beginner's Special Interest Group**

The Beginner's Special Interest Group is showing signs of life. If you are interested please contact me.

#### **January Meeting Demo**

Our own Russ Coker, who recently had an excellent article published in the American Woodturner, will be our demonstrator for the January meeting. I'll be sending more information in a CWA email alert.

#### Are You Getting the CWA Email Alerts?

About once a month I send an email to members with late-breaking news and reminders. If you haven't been getting those emails it means our records have a bum email address for you. Please provide me with your correct email address and I'll start emailing you the CWA Alerts.

You can email me at HarveyRogers@gmail.com or give me your email address at the November meeting.

Harvey Rogers

#### **AAW NEWS**

Thank you to all who voted in the AAW elections. We re-elected board member and current president, Greg Schramek. The new members to the board are Molly Winton and David Heim. Moving into 2017, I think we have a great board! We'll be meeting in St Paul in November for our face-to-face meeting.



The 60-day guest membership is still available for those of you who would like to give AAW a test drive: <a href="http://www.woodturner.org/page/GuestMemberLanding">http://www.woodturner.org/page/GuestMemberLanding</a>. If you have questions about AAW, please email me or talk to me at one of the Cascade meetings.

Kathleen woodspinner@gmail.com

#### SAFETY FIRST

#### Year-end Tips to Get You Safely into 2017

This is my last safety article for 2016. I would love for it to be truly memorable, and a benefit to everyone who reads it.

Unfortunately, it's hard to come up with woodturning safety advice that is good for everyone, because whether a bit of advice is good for a particular turner often depends on what and how that turner is turning.

For example, really good safety tips for these bowl turners may be different than really good safety tips for this pen turner.



But the holiday season is approaching, and many of us will be spending a lot of time in our shops, turning gifts for those we love (and maybe hiding from those we don't).

When we spend an unusual amount of time in our shops, hurrying to meet deadlines, it's easy to get overtired and careless. That's when it's particularly easy to make mistakes that hurt us. So this safety article focuses on things we should all keep in mind to stay safe during the busy holiday turning season.

Certainly we should all think about safety whenever we turn, stay alert, stand out of the line of fire, make sure the wood is securely attached to the lathe, keep the lathe speed reasonable, wear eye, face and dust protection, keep the toolrest close to the blank, always follow the ABCs (anchor, bevel, cut), and do lots of that other stuff I've written about in past safety articles.

But since I've already written about that stuff, and since I really want this last safety article of 2016 to be memorable, I've come up with *three brand new holiday turning safety tips* that should be useful for almost every turner, regardless of whether they are turning great big bowls or itty-bitty pens:

TIP NUMBER ONE: Remember that there is an important difference between tung oil and tongue oil. While it is often appropriate to rub tung oil into a spinning blank, it is hardly ever appropriate to press your tongue against a spinning blank.

TIP NUMBER TWO: Unless your pink bits have completely atrophied, cover your frontal nakedness when you turn. At least wear an apron. Especially when turning logs with loose bark.

TIP NUMBER THREE: Bloodstains can be difficult to remove from wood, and nasty bloodstains can ruin an otherwise excellent turning. If you cut yourself turning it's hard not to bleed on the wood, so try to avoid cutting yourself when you turn.

Have a wonderful year end, a great new year, and stay safe!

If you have questions about turning safety or comments on this article please send them to me at HarveyRogers@gmail.com. I will research questions and let you know what I find out.

Harvey Rogers

## SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

There is something planned for every month that may match your travel plans:

- Virginia Woodturners (10 clubs) Fishersville, VA, November 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> 2016
- Oregon Woodturning Symposium, Albany, Or, March 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>, 2017

# **MEETING SCHEDULE 2016**

DATE	DEMONSTRATOR	CHALLENGE
NOV 18	Eric Lofstrom** (Note date change)	Platter
DEC	No Meeting	Merry Christmas

<sup>\*\*</sup> Plan on an all day demo and an all day hands on class following the meeting date

# Aligning your Lathe

by Dick Veitch

This information is provided by *More Woodturning Magazine*. Please visit their web site: <a href="https://www.morewoodturningmagazine.com">www.morewoodturningmagazine.com</a>

If you are just turning a chair leg between centers, it does not matter too much if the head and tail of your lathe are not perfectly in line. Likewise, you can turn a bowl without using the tailstock.

But, if you want to do anything where the wood is held in a chuck and the tailstock is brought up to the wood, then the head and tail need to be correctly aligned. I am sure you can think of many times when both a chuck and tailstock are in use.

Sphere turning is another where the two cup chucks need to be nicely aligned to turn a perfect sphere. It would be nice if all lathes were perfectly aligned at all times, but some have swivel heads and their alignment needs to be checked every time the head is returned to the line of the bed.

Some lathes are on uneven floors and the bed is twisted. Some lathes are a little worn and need adjusting. Some will be out of line for another reason.

If you are absolutely certain that the tailstock of your lathe is perfectly aligned, then you can put a drive spur in the head, live center in the tail, and bring the two into line. (See Figure 1.)

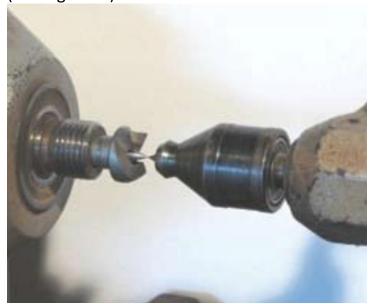


Figure 1. Using two centers to check alignment.

If the tailstock is not perfectly in line, then this method may look like it is working but you finish up with both head and tail out of line. The hard metal method is to use a double-ended Morse taper. Teknatool calls this the Acruline System. (See Figure 2.)



Figure 2. Using the Acruline System to check alignment.

Simply insert this firmly in both the head and tailstock while both are loose on the bed. Tighten both down and they should be nicely aligned.

If you need to check the headstock alignment with a little more care, then grip a long length of wood in a chuck (See Figure 3.)



Figure 3. A length of wood mounted in a chuck.

Now rotate it slowly (100-300 rpm) and mark the central point on the tail end as shown in Figure 4.

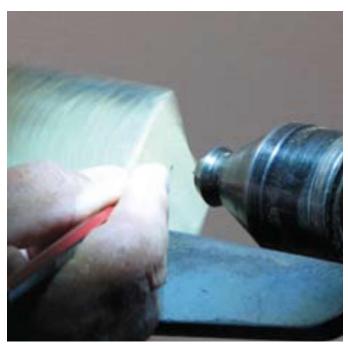


Figure 4. Marking the end of the rotating wood with a pencil.

Then bring the tailstock close and this central point should be at the center of the live tail as shown in Figure 5.

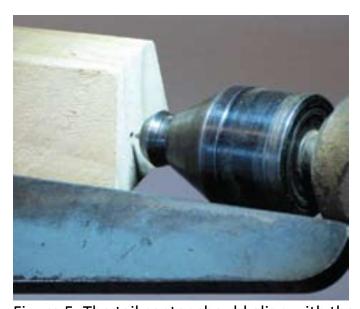


Figure 5. The tail center should align with the pencil mark on the end of the wood.

Fred Holder started *More Woodturning Magazine* as a newsprint magazine and later offered it online. When Fred retired from editing and publishing the magazine Dennis Daudelin took over publishing the magazine. Dennis is also active in the AAW virtual chapter for segmented turners. If you would like to see more of *More Woodturning Magazine*, check out the website <a href="https://www.morewoodturningmagazine.com">www.morewoodturningmagazine.com</a>.

#### **CWT MENTORS**

Cascade Wood Turners has a mentoring program and the member turners providing assistance are listed in the "Resources" section of the club's web page <a href="http://www.cascadewoodturners.com/resources.htm">http://www.cascadewoodturners.com/resources.htm</a>. These members are available for you to contact if you need help in different areas of woodturning.

## **QUICK LINKS:**

There is a listing of web links used by club members in the "Resources" section of the web site <a href="http://www.cascadewoodturners.com/resources.htm">http://www.cascadewoodturners.com/resources.htm</a>.

#### **COMPANY STORE**

For those who have been urging me to stock 80 grit Klingspor paper, the urge has been heard and it is in stock, along with other grits up to 500.

Thanks to all those who have brought "screw top one gallon jugs. I'm well stocked for now.

As of the New Year, my responsibilities may be changing and I am looking for a volunteer to take over the store. I have found it to be a great opportunity to open conversations with members I would have possibly missed out on, it's impetus to attend every meeting (why wouldn't you anyway) and it's not a huge time commitment.

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Company Store Item	Price
Accelerator (for Cyanoacrylate adhesives/CA), sprayer, 8 oz	\$7.00 each
Anchor Seal, one gallon	\$14.00 each
Cyanoacrylate adhesives/CA Thin, Medium & Thick, 2oz bottles	\$5.75 each bottle
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Sandpaper, Klingspoor alum/oxide w/heavy cotton cloth	\$1.25 each sheet
backing suitable for wet sanding (80, 100, 120, 180, 220, 320 & 400 grits)	
Walnut Oil - filtered, 16 oz	\$4.00 each

There are still a few chem-proof spray bottles available

## **DEMOS - CLASSES - SEMINARS**

**Multnomah Arts Center:** Jerry Harris and Russ Coker teach at Multnomah Arts Center in SW Portland. They continue to have woodturning classes and we have added an embellishment class. Check the Multnomah Arts Center catalog or phone 503 823 2787. The cost is very reasonable and all tools, wood and equipment is provided. You can contact Jerry at 503 577 6909 for questions.

**Franklin High School Classes:** There will not be turning classes at Franklin High for at least another year. Anyone interested in 1-on-1 lessons in my shop in eastern Damascus should feel free to contact me: My cell-phone number is 503 901 3401 and email is "howardborer@yahoo.com".

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**FOR SALE:** Jet lathe: 12" x 36". I don't know the model number. He's asking \$400. He also has a Jet bandsaw for \$450, other small tools too numerous to list here, a commercial grade table saw for \$1500 and a Jet dust collector. His name is Ron Toyooka, phone is 503.519.6252. He lives in Eagle Creek

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-Hardwood and softwood burls -Hollow form turning wood -Pen blanks

-Bowl blanks -Cut to order

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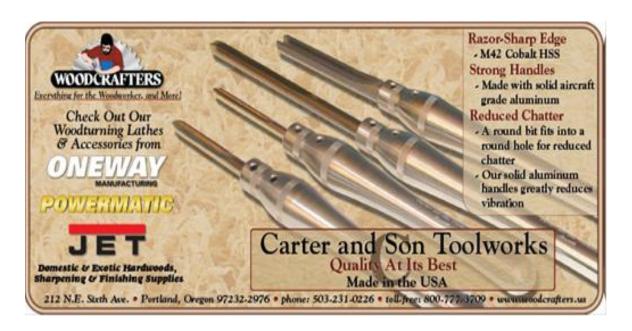
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