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NORTHWEST WOODTURNERS

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE • ROGER CROOKS



Fall is here and time to get started on your Christmas presents. Many of you took advantage of our fantastic wood sale and stocked up with beautiful blanks. We still have a good supply of wood, so stay tuned for the next ordering cycle. We have many activities planned for the next two months.

NEW Classes

I'm excited to announce our first series of basic classes (see article below). We filled four of the six slots for each class in the first 24 hours. We now

have five club lathes after Mike Meredith bought a new midi lathe and donated his old lathe to the club. That, with Dave Wood's big lathe, we can safely accommodate six students.

Our goal is to offer these classes once a quarter so if you miss the first sessions, watch your email for the next session and register early.

Open Shop

Our next Open Shop will be Nov 14, so students will have a chance to hook up with some of the instructors and practice what they learned.

Turning Talk

Join us on Saturday Oct 17 from 9-10am, for a lively discussion about turning. Sometimes we have a topic, sometimes not, but we always end up with great discussions where we all learn something new. Send in your questions ahead of time as well as a general topic you would like to discuss.

Recorded Events

Many meetings, demos, Turning Talk sessions are recorded for later viewing. Check them out. Links are on the website Home Page.

New Website

This last month, Bill Karow and I were busy creating a <u>new NWWT</u> <u>website</u>. We put a lot of hours into the design to make it look modern, easy to navigate and encouraging for people to join. See the article below and take some time to do three things.

- Refresh your personal profile
- Create and load your photo albums of your best pieces
- Load your picture so we know who you are

October General Meeting Demonstration

Our October demonstration features Steve Newberry turning a Kuksa Cup totally on the lathe. I recorded the demo in Larry Klick's shop (thanks Larry) which had lots of space and great lighting. The demo was flawless, and the reason is the tremendous amount of preparation

CLUB INFO

NORTHWEST WOODTURNERS

www.northwestwoodturners.com

Meetings are held at 7pm on the 1st Thursday of each month at:

The Multnomah Arts Center 7688 SW Capitol Hwy Portland, OR 97219 [map]

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE • ROGER CROOKS (CONT)

Steve did. He's made around ten of these Kuksa's using slightly different methods and designs ahead of time so the process and techniques were well tested. Not to give away much, but to make it more of a challenge, he will be using a skew to make the initial sphere. I will probably stick with my gouge.

Please send your Show & Tell photos to Bill Karow ahead of time so we can display them and publish in the next newsletter.

-Roger



NEW NWWT WEBSITE • RE-DESIGN NOTES

After reading this newsletter, we ask that you check out our <u>new website</u>. It was time to refresh the site, so we cloned the old site and went to work. Bill Karow used his extensive graphics ability for the look and feel of the site, and we refreshed all the text. We would appreciate your comments and especially any problems like broken links or spelling errors. The old site will be deactivated, and the new site activated on Oct 10. Any renewals or registrations until then should be made on the current website.

Some key points:

New Website - https://northwestwoodturners.wildapricot.org/

Login - Your username does not change. You will need to reset your password - click here.

NEW - Recorded events – These are listed on the calendar. Click on **Calendar** and recorded events are in *orange*. I added events back to March, so all the recorded events that we have are included. We could also have a page that lists them. Let us know which approach you like best.

NEW - Photo Albums - We are introducing member photo albums. You can look at mine as an example. The process to view other members albums is to go to **Member Directory**, search for their name and you will see their albums. (Try Crooks. \bigcirc)

To set up your own albums, instructions are at the top of the **Member Directory/Photo Album** page and later in this newsletter.

Your Profile – Now is a good time to review and update your profile. To get to your "Profile," click on your name in the login box (upper right) after logging in.



NEW - Your Picture – While you are in your profile, please add you photo. **Member Photo** is below your address.



VP'S "TURN ON THINGS" • KEVIN WHITE

Welcome to Fall!!! Last month in the newsletter, I said we would have demonstrators for 2021, which is just around the corner. Listed below are demonstrators for the first several month of 2021.

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Last month, Phil Rose demonstrated how to set up and turn burls. The demonstration itself was well thought out, and his presentation skills are excellent. The picture below is one example of the work that he demonstrated.



October will be Steve Newberry doing his "Kuksa" which you can see in the picture below. This is a complicated piece that requires skills beyond the basic bowl turning. This should be fun to watch and learn. Come prepared to learn the skills needed for this demonstration.



VP'S "TURN ON THINGS" . KEVIN WHITE (CONT)

To finish out 2020, we will have Kathleen Duncan demonstrating "Piercings" in November. This, too, should be a fun and learning experience. The intricate and detail work is fascinating, and this will be an opportunity to see how it is done.



For 2021, we continue with Virtual Demonstrations, at least that is the way it looks now. However, where we normally would have 2021 more filled in by now, I am optimistic that we will be able to meet in person and have live demo's again at some point next year, and I am not booking as far out as normal.

January will have club members doing a session on sharpening. If you have not heard how important sharpening is, you will. It should probably be the first thing you learn as a woodturner. My own experience is that I have had several opportunities to learn the proper and correct way to sharpen. Each time I go back, I learn more. It is more complicated than setting an angle and sharpening. Knowing the difference angles make is also important. Bottom line is: good sharpening makes turning safer, easier and more fun.

In February, we tentatively have David Ellsworth doing a Virtual demo, and then keep your fingers crossed when we get back to live demo's, David will come to Oregon in person and do more demonstrations and workshops for our club. More details on this next month, but just to give you some perspective, David is a founder of the AAW and a Lifetime Member who started woodturning in 1958 and has never stopped. Just a couple of pictures of his work below.







VP'S "TURN ON THINGS" • KEVIN WHITE (CONT)

At our March 2021 meeting, we will have Betty Simnitt doing her specialty, the Basket Illusion Technique.



At our April 2021 meeting, Michael Alguire will do a live remote demo. Watch for more details in the November Newsletter.

I am always looking for ideas and demonstrators. Let me know if there is a particular person or type of demonstration you would like to see, or if you know someone who would like to demonstrate for us.

-Kevin

NWWT BASICS CLASSES



NWWT is introducing two new classes: Basic Spindle Turning Techniques and Basic Bowl Turning Techniques

The classes will be at Dave Wood's shop which has plenty of space to adhere to COVID social distancing guidelines. Registration is limited to six students so each student will have a lathe. **As of Sunday Sept 27**, **there are only two slots open in each class.**

Experienced NWWT members will run the class and provide close supervision for each student.

The class will start with sharpening the tools required for the class. We will have two sharpening stations and instructors to help you get started right. The class will focus on basic techniques and you will leave with 1 or 2 projects made during the class.

Register for these classes if you are new to turning, have limited turning experience, or want to enhance your turning techniques. If you do not yet have a lathe and are considering buying one, this is an excellent option to learn about the exciting world of woodturning.

If you do not have the basic turning tools for the class, let us know when registering and we will provide them for you.

- Students must be members of NWWT
- Class will be limited to six students (one per lathe)
- Instructors are experienced NWWT members
- Wood for the class will be provided
- Students bring their own tools if available
- Students bring their own lunch
- Students bring their own PPE (face shields, dust protection)
- Coffee and snacks will be provided
- COVID masks are required at all times

If you have any COVID related symptoms, please do not register or if you have symptoms on the day of the class, please let us know and a full refund will be sent.

Click on the links below to register for classes:

Spindle Turning Basics Class - Saturday, Oct 24, 2020

Bowl Turning Basic Class - Saturday, Nov 7, 2020

9:00am - 3:00pm Dave Wood's Shop 24250 SW 65th Ave, Tualatin OR 97062.

—Roger

COMMUNITY SERVICE

BEADS OF COURAGE PROJECT

Last fall, John Sutter came up with a great idea. "Let's make 30 'exceptional' boxes for the Beads of Courage organization." Beads of Courage, Inc., is a non-profit organization that is dedicated to improving the quality of life for children and teens coping with serious illness, their families, and the clinicians who care for them through our Arts-in-Medicine Programs.

Since 2005, Beads of Courage, Inc. has established collaborative partnerships in caring with hundreds of hospitals nationally and internationally, and worked with several community organizations to make healing happen through the use of beads as a historical art form.

<u>AAW</u> supports Beads of Courage and encourages all the chapters to participate.

Following the basic guidelines provided, John adapted one of his favorite box designs into a Beads of Courage Box. Unique to this design is an 8-sided box – not a friendly design for turners. To make it as easy for turners as possible and to ensure consistency in the boxes, we needed to provide all the wood for the boxes, mill it and make the pieces ready to put on the lathe. To achieve this, NWWT partnered with the Guild of Oregon Woodworkers' Product Build team to do this part of the work.

The Product Build team milled all the donated wood to thickness, cut the box sides at the 22.5-degree angle (360/16) and glued them together in a custom jig. In addition, glue blocks were made for the top and bottom pieces, have the critical "center mark" marked, guidelines marked, and made round, making them ready to chuck and turn.

Detailed instructions were provided along with a step by step video (which has had 135 views).

Members brought their finished products together for a photo last month. John is packing all the boxes up and will be delivering them – details are still being worked out.

This is another example of a joint community service project that NWWT members have participated in making. If you have ideas for a good project, bring it to the board for consideration. We will be building a specific page on our new website for community project details.

—Roger Crooks & John Sutter



NWWT SEPTEMBER 26TH WOOD SALE

Saturday, September 26 was the second live wood sale of the Special Purchase Northwoods Figured Woods inventory. Turnout was relatively light compared to the first sale.

Despite the light turnout Saturday, the overall sale has been a great success! Almost 80% of the original inventory has sold out, 1,999 blanks sold of the original 2,560 pieces.



Just think of the many beautiful turnings that will come out of that. Total sales to date are approximately \$7,223. With the upcoming spindle and bowl turning classes, some of the blanks were set aside for use by those classes.

How many of you have had wood this nice in your training classes?

With over 500 blanks still unsold, there is still a great opportunity to get some really nice wood! There also some boxed inventory remaining. These are your best value due to the size assortment in each box.



Once they are gone, they are gone forever! A chance like this does not come around often.

—Larry Klick







OCTOBER CHALLENGE & SHOW-N-TELL

Phil Rose's burl turning demonstration at last month's online meeting was informative and very well presented.

Were any of you inspired enough to try turning that burl that's just been sitting in your shop collecting dust?

And...have you turned something that you would like to share in the September meeting? We'd love to see it!

Please email photos of your **Monthly Challenge** and **Show-n-Tell pieces** to <u>Bill Karow</u>, so that we can include them in our monthly meeting on **Thursday**, **October 01**!

When sending, please fill in the email Subject line with either "NWWT Challenge" or "Show-n-Tell" and rename your files using your full name and either "Challenge" or "Show-n-Tell," so they don't get lost in the chaos of my email inbox. (File name example: *BillKarowShownTell.jpg*).

-bk

SEPTEMBER MEETING CHALLENGE • AIRBRUSHING







SEPTEMBER MEETING SHOW-N-TELL









SEPTEMBER MEETING SHOW-N-TELL











CREATING YOUR OWN PERSONAL PHOTO ALBUM ON THE RE-DESIGNED NWWT WEBSITE

Member photo albums are collections of photos that can appear on a member's profile.

Members can create multiple photo albums and upload photos to their albums. Members can add descriptions to their albums and captions to their photos.

There is a limit of 50 photos for each member photo album. Photos added to member photo albums do **not** count towards your overall file storage limit.

Administrators can control how many albums a member can add to their profile. Both administrators and members can control whether other members and non-members can view their photo albums. Administrators cannot manage photos within member photo albums.

Setting up your own photo albums:

- 1. Log into the website
- 2. Click on your name in the upper right corner



3. Click on Member photo albums



4. Click on Add Album

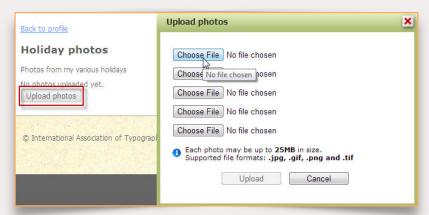


From there you name the album and optionally add a description. Click on **Submit** and then you can add five photos at a time.



CREATING YOUR PERSONAL PHOTO ALBUM (CONT)

On the dialog box that appears, select up to five images to be uploaded at a time.



You can select photos saved using the following file formats: .jpg, .gif, .png and .tif.

After selecting the files to be uploaded, click the **Upload** button.



The selected photos will be uploaded and added to the photo album.

Managing photos:

After adding photos to a photo album, you can set a photo as the album cover, assign a caption to the photo, or delete photos.

Administrators cannot manage photos within member photo albums

Setting a photo as the album cover:

To set a photo as the album cover – so that the photo is used as the thumbnail for the album – hover over the photo within the album then click the **Set as cover** link.



The photo will now appear as the first photo within the album, and as the album cover on the **Member photo albums** page.

CREATING YOUR PERSONAL PHOTO ALBUM (CONT)

Assigning a photo caption:

To assign a caption to a photo, click the photo within the photo album, then click the **Add caption** link that appears below the photo.

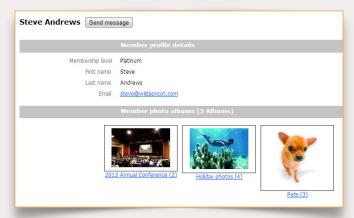
In the field that appears, enter the caption, then click **Save**.

Viewing member photo albums:

Member information is protected to only other NWWT members including the photo albums.

- 1. Log into the website
- 2. Go to your profile (see above)
- 3. Click on Member photo album

On the member's profile, the photo albums will be displayed, using one photo from each album as the album cover.



To view a photo album, the visitor clicks the album cover. Thumbnails will be displayed for each photo in the album.



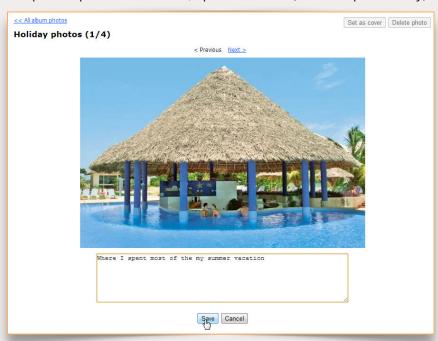
To view a larger version of a photo, click the thumbnail within the photo album page. On the individual photo page, the photo will be displayed as close to full size as can fit on the page.



CREATING YOUR PERSONAL PHOTO ALBUM (CONT)

To view the full version of the photo in a separate browser tab, click the photo within the photo page. To scroll through other images in the album, click the **Previous** or **Next** links.

To upload a photo to an album, open the album (if it isn't open already) then click the **Upload photos** button.



The caption will appear below the photo thumbnail within the album and on the individual photo page.

Deleting photos:

To delete a photo, hover over its thumbnail within the photo album page, then click the **Delete** link that appears.



You can also delete a photo from the individual photo page by clicking the **Delete photo** button that appears in the upper right corner.

2020 NWWT MEETING SCHEDULE & PROGRAMS



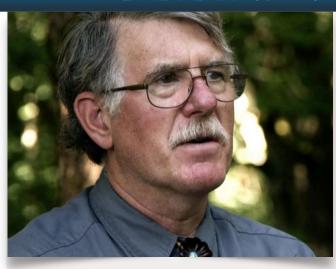
Due to the Covid, meetings will take place online until further notice.

DATE	PROGRAM	MONTHLY CHALLENGE
Thursday, January 2	Annual Tool Sale and Swap Meet	Turn a Sphere
Thursday, February 6	Stuart Batty	"New Tool" Turnings
Thursday, March 5	Janice Levi — Pyrography	Push Cut Bowls
Thursday, April 2	CANCELLED	Pyrography
Thursday, May 7	Tom Willing — Easter Eggs	Bowl in a Square
Thursday, June 4	Dale Larson — Spheres	Eggs / Hollow Eggs
Thursday, July 2	John Beechwood — Texturing and Spiraling	Spheres
Thursday, August 6	Joe Fleming — Airbrushing	Textured / Spiraled Turnings
Thursday, September 3	Phil Rose — Turning Burls	Airbrushed / Painted Turnings
Thursday, October 1	Steve Newberry — Kuksa Cup	Turn a Burl
Thursday, November 5	Kathleen Duncan — Piercings	Kuksa Cup
Thursday, December 3	No Meeting	Happy Holidays!

202I DEMONSTRATORS PREVIEW

DATE	PROGRAM
Thursday, January 7	Tool Sharpening
Thursday, February 4	David Ellsworth (tentative)
Thursday, March 4	Betty Simnitt
Thursday, April 1	Michael Alguire (tentative)
Thursday, May 6	
Thursday, June 3	
Thursday, July 1	
Thursday, August 5	Auction
Thursday, September 2	
Thursday, October 7	
Thursday, November 4	
Thursday, December 2	No Meeting

DALE LARSON • OPEN SHOP CANCELLED



Open Shop at Dale Larson's shop has been cancelled until further notice.

With health officials recommending crowds not gather, it seems sensible not to pack twenty people into one shop.

With that said, if any member wants help with chainsawing wood, bandsawing wood, sharpening tools or some question about turning, please feel free to call me, and we will set a time for you to come over to the shop. One on one is simply more relaxed and safer at this time.

—Dale 503-661-7793 woodbowl@frontier.com



FREE LOCAL DEMOS CANCELLED

All free, weekly demonstrations at our local woodworking stores have been cancelled until further notice. Please contact stores directly for updated store hours, ordering and availability.



Woodcrafters, Portland (503) 231-0226 woodcrafters.us

Rockler, Beaverton (503) 672-7266 rockler.com

Woodcraft, Tigard (503) 684-1428 woodcraft.com

OTHER WOODTURNING CLUBS . MEETINGS & PROGRAMS

Please check individual club websites for current information on their monthly online meetings.



WOODTURNERS OF OLYMPIA

woodturnersofolympia.org

2nd TUESDAY of every month @ 6:30pm

First Baptist Church of Olympia 904 Washington St. SE, Olympia, WA 98507 [map]



CASCADE WOODTURNERS

cascadewoodturners.com

3rd THURSDAY of every month @ 6:45pm

Willamette Carpenters Training Center 4222 NE 158th Ave, Portland, OR 97230 [map]



PACIFIC NORTHWEST WOODTURNING GUILD

woodturningguild.com

2nd WEDNESDAY of every month @ 7:00pm

MWA Architects
70 NW Couch St, Portland, OR [map]



SW WASHINGTON WOODTURNERS

southwestwashingtonwoodturners.com

4th WEDNESDAY of every month @ 7:00pm

Friends of the Carpenter's Center 1600 W 20th St, Vancouver, WA 98660 [map]



WILLAMETTE VALLEY WOODTURNERS

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2nd THURSDAY of every month @ 6:30pm

Center 50+ Senior Center 2615 Portland Rd, NE Salem, OR 97303 [map]



BEAVER STATE WOODTURNERS

beaverstatewoodturners.com

4th THURSDAY of every month @ 6:00pm

Coburg Community Charter School 91274 N Coburg Rd, Coburg, OR 97408 [map]

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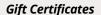
A key component of our financial stability as a club is our vendor sponsors. Our vendors provide periodic gift certificates for the raffle and our annual auction. In addition we receive product donations from some of them. If that were not enough, some also give individual discounts to club members. All this contributes to our financial health. We encourage all of you to patronize our vendor sponsors. It is good for you, good for them, and good for the club.



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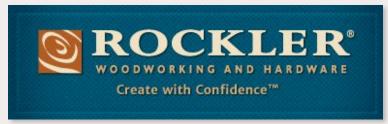




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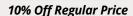


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Special note regarding Northwoods Figured Wood: Northwoods is evolving into a slab supplier and will no longer be in the turning blank business. We are sorry to see them go. They were a huge sponsor for us. We thank them deeply for their historical support and wish them the best in their new endeavor.

BULLETIN BOARD

Nothing to see here.



If you have woodturning tools for sale, know of a tree being taken down in the near future, a new source for woodturning stock, upcoming estate sales, need help or have questions that need answering...

<u>let me know</u> and I will post it on the Bulletin Board section of next month's NWWT newsletter.

EDITOR'S NOTES

Past newsletters can be accessed from the NWWT website here.

If you don't have internet access, provide me with your mailing address, and I will print out a copy, lick a stamp and mail a copy of the newsletter to you via U.S. Postal Service.

If you do not receive a courtesy email from me by the beginning of the month indicating that a new newsletter is available online, please send me your current email address.

Submissions to the newsletter are due by the last Thursday of the month.

Articles, tips, web links, classified ads and other woodturning-related items are welcome! Send them to me.

For other business inquiries, contact Northwest Woodturners at:

Northwest Woodturners P.O. Box 1157 Lake Oswego, OR 97035



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