



# FRONT RANGE WOODTURNERS

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## Upcoming Events

**Important Note:** Even though a turning challenge is announced for a meeting, this does not mean that other items can't be brought for the show & tell. Feel free to bring in what you've created and don't feel you have to be a master turner to show off your work.

**May – May 3.** Jimmy Clewes – Full Day Demo. Turning challenge: Multi-axis or Eccentric or Betts fishing rod technique.

**June – June 7<sup>th</sup>.** Phil Houck will be demonstrating Natural-Edged End Grain Bowls. Turning challenge: Turning using techniques demonstrated by Jimmy Clewes at the May meeting.

**July – TBD.**

**August – Saturday, August 6.** "Chainsaws in the Park." FRW Picnic and demonstration of how to convert logs into usable blanks and how to create drying kilns. BYOF (Bring Your Own Food). ❖

## News

### Jimmy Clewes Demo and Class

Jimmy Clewes is an internationally known turner from Durham, England. He will be providing a split demonstration for us in May: 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, and then our standard 6:00pm to 9:00 pm. In addition, Jimmy Clewes will be teaching a 2-day class, May 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm at Rockler. He's come a long way to demo for us and here's your chance to attend a class by a world-class turner. These classes provide the incentive for him and other turners to travel world-wide to demonstrate. Prices are \$100 per person per day (\$200 for both days). His specialties include coloring, metal inlay, and wide-rimmed platters. Check out his website at [www.jimmyclewes.com](http://www.jimmyclewes.com). Contact Andy Zartman at 303-859-0754 to sign up for the class.

We are looking for volunteers to give Jimmy a place to stay while

he's in town and to ferry him between the Airport to Rockler. Contact Andy Zartman if you think you can help.

### Reminder – Belt Sander Races!!

If you've never attended the Annual Belt Sander Races at Rockler, you're definitely missing out on a bunch of wacky people taking perfectly good belt sanders, "souping" them up, and then competing against each other to see who is the fastest. It's fun. It's hilarious. And it's on Saturday, April 30, starting at about 9:00 am. There will be a tool swap, hot dogs and beverages, so bring the kids and introduce them to the wonderful world of power tools.

Rockler has very generously donated a Porter Cable belt sander to the club to use in their races. If you are interested in joining the FRW Racing Team, contact Ron Bentall at the next meeting.

### Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers who can show up at 5:00 pm at Rockler before each meeting to brew coffee and setup. Please contact Ron Bentall or just appear. We'll put you to work.

### Segmented Turning

Jerry Smith is offering a series of classes teaching segmented turning. He has them scheduled for May 7 and May 21 at his

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workshop. Contact Jerry at the meeting to sign up.

## ***Hardwood Scavange***

Consolidated Hardwoods has offered to allow FRW members to scavenge end cuts, shorts, etc. for free. The next two wood pickups are scheduled for May 14 and May 28, starting 9:00 am at Consolidated Hardwoods. Bring sawhorses and power saws (chainsaws, chop saws). Anyone who participates must take *all* the wood that is provided and help to clean up afterward (Consolidated requires that all wood that is pulled from their piles be removed and no mess left behind). Here is a chance to stock up on domestic and some imports in lengths very suitable for segmented turnings, laminations, and miniatures.

## ***Reversing the Jet Mini***

Bruce Perry and Brandon Mackie have come up with a way to reverse the Jet Mini-lathe. Check out our website for the easy instructions!

## ***Mentoring Classes***

Phil Houck has organized hands-on mentoring classes at Rocklers for the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of each month. This is one of the benefits of being a member where you get hands-on training and practice using tools and the lathe. This is an excellent opportunity for those beginners and those wanting to practice up. Sign up early because these classes fill quickly. Phil's info is in the Club Information (see page 9).

## ***AAW Board Members Wanted***

Now is the time to not be modest, but to consider what you can do for other turners. There will be 3 open positions on the Board of Directors of the AAW this year. Six names will be selected by the Nominating committee from all that apply to be nominated and those six will be on the ballot for the general election to fill the 3 vacant seats. In order to be considered for nomination, the following 3 things must be sent to the AAW Managing Director, 222 Landmark Center, 75 W. Fifth St., St. Paul, MN 55102, postmarked no later than May 15, 2005.

1. A statement of intent including qualifications and reasons for applying.
2. Letters of recommendation from 2 individuals who can affirm your organizational and leadership abilities.
3. A photograph of yourself (shoulders and head).

## ***Bulk Orders***

As always, check with Dave Hawley at each meeting if you have placed an order with him or if you want to get in on one of the bulk orders that he organizes.

Following is the schedule of bulk orders that Dave will be organizing for 2005:

Industrial Abrasives: Apr, Jul, Oct  
Starbond (CA Glue): Sept  
Craft Supplies: Apr, Oct  
Cutting Edge (Tools): Apr, Oct.

All bulk orders depend on making minimum amounts to get the discounts. The greater the order, typically the greater the discount. Again and as always, thanks, Dave, for working so hard to save us all some money.

## ***Club Library***

### ***Suggested Items***

Contact Jim Applegate for suggestions about materials (books, videos, DVDs) to be added to our club library. The club does have a budget to purchase library materials and look to you to tell us what you want.

Of course, if you want to make donations to the library, all donations are gratefully accepted.

### ***Featured Providers***

*Rocklers*, Colorado Blvd, Denver, provides a 10% discount for club members – see the Rockler section on page 8. Rockler will be keeping the cash register open until the end of the meeting. Try to do your shopping before the end of the break, so that they can get out quickly after the end of the meeting.

*Guiry's Wallpaper and Art Supplies* - All six Guiry's locations are providing to members of Front Range Woodturners discounts on most everything in the store. Give the contractor account number of 7837 and name of "Front Range Woodturners" to the Guiry's cashier to get your discount.

*Wood Emporium*, Loveland, provides a 10% discount for FRW members.

**Klingspor Catalog Orders:** Those who signed up at the meetings are now on Klingspor member list. You can now order from Klingspor catalog and get a 10% discount (except for machinery). Klingspor will honor their 10% discount commitment in one of several ways. First, if you call in, let them know you're on the FRW member list, and you'll get the discount. Second, if you want to order on-line, first send an email to sales@woodworkingshop.com with your username (format is first name + last initial - i.e., John Smith would be "johns"), billing address, phone # and preferred password. You will receive a confirmation email within 2 business days. Members can be removed from this email list upon

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request. You can contact Dave Hawley at [davedorothy@comcast.net](mailto:davedorothy@comcast.net) or at 1516 Lodge Court, Boulder, 80303.

Craft Supplies offers monthly deals with special discount codes that expire monthly. Discounts and codes will be announced at each FRW meeting.

## *Wood Events*

We receive notices of events, classes, or seminars that we think you may find interesting. (Note: FRW is not endorsing these events, but only providing the information for your convenience.)

### *Rocky Mount School of Woodturning*

Provides Basic, Intermediate, Advanced, and Specialty classes in woodturning. Full facilities. Contact Lee Carter at Rocky Mountain School of Woodturning, 4625 Kiva Drive, La Porte, CO 80535. Phone: 970-221-4382. Email: [LLJTC4X4149@CS.COM](mailto:LLJTC4X4149@CS.COM).

### *Utah Woodturning Symposium*

The Utah Woodturning Symposium will be held on June 16-18, 2005, in Provo, Utah. This is one of the longest running and largest woodturning symposiums in the world. See their site at [utahwoodturning.com](http://utahwoodturning.com) or contact them at 801-422-2021.

### *AAW 2005 Symposium & Exhibition*

The AAW 2005 Symposium is scheduled for July 22-24 in Overland Park, Kansas City. Youths from age 10 through 17 may attend and receive full registration, including banquet, if accompanied by a registered adult. In addition, there will be a drawing and 20 lucky youngsters will receive complete turning outfits of Jet Midi lathes, Nova Precision Midi Chucks, and a Crown Tools

turning set. The Symposium fee is \$245. See the AAW website for registration information at [www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org).

The 2005 AAW show is titled "ReTURN to the Land of Oz." See the AAW website at [www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org) for information about applying for the 2005 exhibition.

### *RMW Symposium*

The RMW Symposium will be held on September 17-18, 2005, at the Budweiser Center, Larimer County Fairgrounds. The members of the RMW club want to thank FRW for their generous donation for the 2004 Symposium. The FRW donation helped to keep the Symposium in the black and to support them putting on the Symposium again this year.

### *2006 Desert Woodturning Roundup*

The Arizona Woodturners Association is hosting this symposium on Feb. 18-19, 2006. See their website at [www.desertwoodturningroundup.com](http://www.desertwoodturningroundup.com) for more details.

### *Christian Burchard Woodturning Classes*

Christian Burchard is now offering 3 day weekend turning workshops in Ashland, Oregon. The next dates are May 28/29/30

Please contact him at [burchard@direcway.com](mailto:burchard@direcway.com) or call him at 541 482 1916 if you are interested.

## *Materials Suppliers*

### *Wood Suppliers*

Following is a list of wood suppliers in the Colorado area. If you have more, contact Steve.

(Note: FRW is not endorsing these suppliers, but only providing the list for your convenience.)

Rockler Woodworking and Hardware, 2553 S. Colorado Blvd., #108, Denver CO 80222, 303-782-0588, web [www.rockler.com](http://www.rockler.com).

Consolidated Hardwoods, Inc., 11850 Vance, Broomfield, CO 80020, phone 303-466-1839, fax 303-469-3580.

Swingle Tree Co., 8585 E. Warren Ave., Denver, CO 80231, phone 303-337-6200 or 303-369-2892.

Centennial Wood Co, Inc., 985 S. Logan St., Denver, CO 80209, phone 303-778-6209.

Austin Hardwoods of Denver, Inc., 1301 S. Platte River Dr., 80223, phone 303-733-1292 or 303-722-1007, web [www.austinhardwoods.com](http://www.austinhardwoods.com).

Colorado Tree and Shrubbery Specialists, Inc., 4760 Parfet St., Wheatridge, CO 80033, phone 303-431-4155.

Paxton Wood Source, 4837 Jackson St., Denver, CO 80213, phone 303-399-6047, web [www.paxtonwood.com](http://www.paxtonwood.com).

Custom Hardwoods, phone 303-280-6381, affiliated with Tech Western Warehouse, 4520 Indiana St., Golden CO 80403, contact Steve Bell phone 303-902-3115, 303-278-6882, or 303-452-9180.

Woodcraft Supply Corp., 4403 S. Tamarac Parkway, Denver, CO 80237, phone 303-290-0007.

Woodcraft Unlimited, Inc., 2301 S. Delaware St., Denver CO 80223, phone 303-778-9103.

Diverse Hardwoods, 617 1<sup>st</sup> Ave., Longmont, CO 80501, phone 303-651-1020.

TC Woods in Lafayette has local woods and walnut in stock. They also have a bandsaw mill to convert logs into lumber. Contact them at 303-666-8989.

West Penn Hardwoods has turning blanks from the Amazon. See their website at [www.westpennhardwoodsamazon.com](http://www.westpennhardwoodsamazon.com).

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Dennis Lacen has various woods from the Midwest. Contact him at 9477 Highway 85, Fort Lupton, CO, 303-594-7885.

Manzanita Burl from Mt. Lassen, CA. Crimson and gold grained. Contact [jackburl96001@yahoo.com](mailto:jackburl96001@yahoo.com) for more information.

Fresh cut Norfolk Island Pine in log form in many sizes; Spalted Citrus, Bay Laurel, Red Cedar and Florida grown Mahogany. 10% discount to club members. Shipped as individual pieces via UPS or USPS, or in larger amounts via a commercial trucking company. Contact Joe Schneider at [jschneider1@cfl.rr.com](mailto:jschneider1@cfl.rr.com).

## Tool and Steel Suppliers

Victor Machinery Exchange, Inc.  
251 Centre Street  
New York, NY 10013  
Phone: 800-723-5359  
<http://www.victornet.com>

MSC Industrial Supply  
6100 Stapleton Drive, South  
Unit A  
Denver, CO 80216  
Local (303) 935-2022  
or (800) 332-0210  
Fax: (303) 937-1228  
Email: [branchden@mscdirect.com](mailto:branchden@mscdirect.com)  
Web: [www.mscdirect.com](http://www.mscdirect.com)

DoAll Industrial Supply  
custom bandsaws  
2955 S. Tejon St.  
Englewood, CO 80110  
Phone: 800-92-DOALL  
Web: [www.doall.com](http://www.doall.com)

Lab Metal (metal putty for "enhancing" cracks)  
Alvin Products  
350 Merrimack St.  
Lawrence, MA 01843  
Phone: 978-975-4580  
Web: [www.alvinproducts.com](http://www.alvinproducts.com)

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## Misc. Suppliers

Brandon Mackie has a source of filters for those of you who want to create or maintain filtration in your shop. Contact

him at the next meeting or at [latherunner@hotmail.com](mailto:latherunner@hotmail.com).

Sanding disks - Steve Worcester in Texas ([www.turningwood.com](http://www.turningwood.com) or 972-424-7958)

## Miscellaneous

### Courtesy During Meetings

We have been requested to please stay seated and quiet during the meeting and demonstration as a courtesy to our demonstrators and fellow members. You feel the need for conversation during the meeting or demonstration, please feel free to step out into the Rockler store.

Also, we must make sure to return promptly after the break to make sure we don't lose time for our demonstrator.

### Shop Tours

Phil Houck has the sign-up sheet for those interested in giving a tour or going on a tour. Just remember – no one expects a sparkling clean shop, so don't worry about putting it off because you don't have time to tidy up. ❖

## Show and Tell

The turning challenge for April was Lidded Boxes. The winners, in a tie, were Steve DeJong with his miniature threaded box urn and Grover Brown with his beautiful burl box with fine finial.



Jill Rice – Juniper bowl.



Grover Brown –Madrone burl, holly, walnut, and ebony lidded box. Winner of April challenge.



Steve DeJong – Rosewood miniature urn with threaded lid. Winner of April challenge.



Grover Brown – Box elder natural-edged bowl.



Grover Brown – Candlestick made from interior of above bowl.

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Grover Brown – Cedar and purpleheart lidded vessel.



Grover Brown – Hackberry lidded box.



Grover Brown – Cherry lidded boxes.



Jim Genack – Maple burl bowl.



John Betts – Golf tees in various woods with brass centers.



John Betts – Pocket pen in cocobolo.



Jill Rice – Myrtle square-edged bowl.



Steve Murphy – Ash bowl.



Ron Ainge – Apple bowl with natural inclusions and void.



Jerry Smith – Segmented vases in walnut, cherry, ash, sycamore, bubinga using different patterns.



Jerry Smith – Butternut "inside-out" turned candlestick.

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Brandon Mackie – Laminated darts.



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Donald Derry – Maple ball and ash egg from his classes in March.



Ron Ainge – Large lidded box in maple and walnut.



Pete Holtus – Buckeye burl lidded box.



Pete Holtus – Redwood burl lidded box.



Steve DeJong – Bloodwood miniature threaded lid box (>1½" tall).



Steve DeJong – Kingwood miniature threaded lid box.



Pete Holtus – Boxwood and blackwood threaded lid box with lattice-work top.



Pete Holtus – Pink ivory lidded box.



Kim Komitor – Maple lidded box with burned detail.



Pete Holtus – Redwood burl lidded box.

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Pete Holtus – Cocobolo box with threaded lid.



Pete Holtus – Blackwood and boxwood threaded lid box with lattice-work.



Bear Limvere – Miniatures in shadow box, various woods.



Leroy Ullman – Mountain lidded box.



Pete Holtus – Maple burl lidded box.

## Demonstrations

John Betts demonstrated his method of turning flat stock into laminated fishing rods. He's developed a method to machine, laminate, and "turn" the stock without once picking up a standard turning tool.



Pete Holtus – Persimmon threaded lid box with chatterwork detail.



Pete Holtus – Box elder burl lidded box.



Mr. Betts.

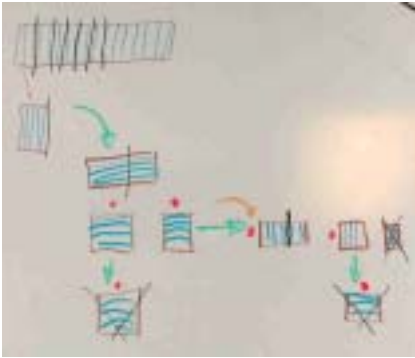


Ron Ainge – Walnut lidded box.



Pete Holtus – "Inside-out" turned candlestick in maple with brass insert.

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Diagramming the requirement for true quartersawn stock and how the pieces are cut and grain aligned.



Showing how the grain will align with each piece, and the "V" showing how the piece will be chamfered. John uses 60° chamfer bits in his router table, being careful to clamp feather boards and support boards to support the sides and top of the long narrow stock as it is fed through the router. However, he says you can get a 4-part laminate just using good birch quarter-round molding without requiring any premachining of the stock.



Showing string used as clamping method down glued stock.



John's turning tools – two Surform blades taped at end to make a "sandwich."



Closeup showing the Surforms in action.



Closeup of John's "tailstock" – pipe mounted to a camera tripod and the rod allowed to spin freely.



Showing John's full setup. Butt end of rod is clamped in chuck jaws. Tapered end is fed through pipe on tripod. John never turns on lathe without steadying the rod to ensure that it doesn't start whipping.



John's sanding tools – sandwich blocks with different grades sandpaper and loose hinges to allow blocks to ride taper.



Sanding blocks in action. ❖

## Rockler

Patronizing their store is the best "thank you" we can give Rockler for their generosity in letting us use their facilities for our ever-growing membership. Keep in mind that they keep the register open late on meeting nights just for us. Just be sure to complete any purchases no

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later than the mid-meeting break so these poor guys can start shutting down and go home.

As always – all FRW members get 10% off all items, except electrical or sale items, all the time. Just present your FRW membership card at time of purchase. (Note: This offer is only good at the Denver retail location, and is not valid for any other location or for Internet purchases.)

If you have suggestions for tools or materials that Rockler can carry, contact Rich Johnson, manager of the Denver store. Rockler web site: [www.rockler.com](http://www.rockler.com).

## Web Stuff

The Front Range WoodTurners Web site address:

[www.frontrangewoodturners.com](http://www.frontrangewoodturners.com)

Get the latest information about upcoming events, meetings, and view the excellent photos of the show and tell gallery.

Other sites of interest:

(Rky Mtn Woodturners, Ft Collins)

[www.verinet.com/-drmeli/rmwt.html](http://www.verinet.com/-drmeli/rmwt.html)

[www.lathes.co.uk](http://www.lathes.co.uk)

[www.woodworkingbasics.com](http://www.woodworkingbasics.com)

[www.treelineusa.com](http://www.treelineusa.com)

[www.woodturnerscatalog.com](http://www.woodturnerscatalog.com)

[www.kestrelcreek.com](http://www.kestrelcreek.com)

[www.choicewoods.com](http://www.choicewoods.com)

[www.woodturner.com](http://www.woodturner.com)

[www.woodturningonline.com](http://www.woodturningonline.com)

[www.kazistudio.com](http://www.kazistudio.com) ❖

## Classifieds

*Please note:* All advertising in the Classifieds is free, but please be sure to notify the newsletter editor if an item is no longer for sale.

*Ad Policy* – All ads that are older than 3 months will be deleted, unless you contact the newsletter editor.

**For Sale** – Jet 15" planer, floor model. \$650. Contact David Nittmann at 303-449-7170,

**For Sale** – Delta 6"x46" jointer with mobile base – near new - \$350; Generic 4000 watt generator \$295; Delta 16" scroll saw \$35. Contact Bob Butscher 303-694-9617.

**For Sale** - Powermatic model 45 lathe with attachments (Grizzly 3 jaw chuck, face plates, live center, etc). \$800/obo. It's a great lathe and ready to go to work. Contact J. Curt Penny at 719.346.5474

**For Sale** – Delta Lathe model 46, 12x36 variable speed. Bought new in 1987. Reversible and many accessories (no tools). In great shape. Contact Les Stern 303-744-2159. ❖

## Club Information

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*Social Chairperson:* Rose Phillips  
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## General Meeting Information

Normal meetings are the first Tuesday of every month, unless otherwise rescheduled.

Meeting place is at Rockler Woodworking & Hardware, 2553 So. Colorado Blvd. #108 Denver, CO (west side of Colorado Blvd. opposite the mall).

Meetings are 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM.





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