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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.

June – Tuesday, June 6. Doug Schneider will be demonstrating "Turning More Air than Wood." Turning

challenge: Weissflog-style spider boxes or spider turning.

July – Saturday, July 8 (not July 4). Chris Stott will be demonstrating 10:00 am – 1:00 pm and 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm.

August – Tuesday, August 1. Correction: Bruce Perry will be demonstrating.

September – Tuesday, September 5. TBD.

October – Tuesday, October 3. Steve DeJong will be demonstrating Christmas Ornaments.

November – Tuesday, November 7. TBD.

December – Tuesday, December 5. Holiday Party. ❖

News

Sad Farewell

We bid a sad farewell to Megan Caine, who is moving away. She has accepted a position in a furniture manufacturing firm in another state. Andy presented her with a tool caddy as a good-bye gift. At least we'll be seeing her in the Rocky Mountain Symposium, where she'll be a demonstrator.

Ornaments Wanted

AAW is asking for Christmas ornaments to be donated to charitable organizations. Please bring them to the June meeting and give them to Andy Zartman.

Sorby Demonstration

Sorby Tools representatives will be demonstrating their tool set at

Rockler on June 26 during the day and evening.

Applications for Demonstrators

AAW is also asking for applications for demonstrators to the 2007 Woodturners Symposium. Contact them at inquiries@woodturner.org or at 651-484-9094.

Meeting Format

We are accepting suggestions for changes to the monthly meeting formats. Please submit any suggestions or comments to Alisa at alialimvere@yahoo.com or by bringing them to the next meeting. Following are areas to consider: Likes, Dislikes, Changes, Additions, anything else you think would be helpful.

Perpetual Turning Project

Steve DeJong donated the first entry, a beautiful natural-edged bowl, for the Perpetual Turning Project. Bear Limvere won it in the raffle and will bring another turning to the June meeting.

The concept is for the first cycle, a member makes a turning and donates it the club. The turning is the first item in the next month's raffle. The member who wins the turning must bring another turning to the next month's meeting. Repeat. It's an excellent chance for members to gain pieces made by other members. The turning can be as plain or fancy as you want.

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Beginners can participate just as much as advanced turners. If the member doesn't want to make a turning, he/she can choose just the wood, and the next winner can take the turning.

Free Comedy Works Tickets

Chuck Kubin has a block of tickets for the Comedy Works open mike night on June 13. The club opens the stage to new talent, closing the show with local headliners. Your admission is free (even if you don't buy him a beer), and there's a two-item minimum (soft drink, real drink, coffee, appetizer, dessert) at the show. As of this week, all shows are nonsmoking. All Chuck asks is that if you accept the tickets, you show up. To secure our seats, seating is before 7:30 for an 8 p.m. show and the club is on the 15th St. side of the corner of 15th and Larimer in Larimer Square. He'll bring the tickets to the meeting but call first as the first 15 requests get the tickets. Contact Chuck at (303) 733-0254.

Upcoming Classes

We have some excellent opportunities for you to learn from premier turners from all over the world. All these classes have limited spots, so be sure to sign up early. Contact Andy Zartman at 303-859-0724 or via email: AWZartman@comcast.net to reserve a spot.

July 9, Sunday, Chris Stott

Chris Stott, author of *Turned Boxes: 50 Designs*, will be holding a full-day, hands-on class from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at Rockler. Chris has traveled all the way from England. Check out his web site at www.cstott.fslife.co.uk. Cost and

topic of the class will be published in the next newsletter.

July 16, Sunday, Soren Berger

Soren Berger will be hosting two demos, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm and 2:00 – 5:00 pm at Rockler. Cost will be \$5 for FRW members and \$15 for non-members with all proceeds going to the Scholarship Fund. Soren has traveled from New Zealand who gives excellent demonstrations. Don't miss this opportunity.

If you would like to donate materials for his demo, he has made the following requests:

Dry Maple similar, can be fancy:
1 ea. 2" x 2" x 8" long
1 ea. 1" x 2" x 8" long
3 ea. 3" x 3" x 6" long
1 ea. 4" x 4" x 8" long
1 ea. 3" x 3" x 8" long
1 ea. 3" x 3" x 6" long

Fresh cut wet Maple, Cherry, Madrone or similar hard wood
1 ea. 4" x 4" x 3" wet bowl blank
1 ea. 6" x 6" x 4" wet bowl blank
1 ea. 8" x 8" x 6" wet bowl blank
power sander 2" disk, Danish Oil, super glue, water spray bottle and a microwave, nice grinder

July 17, Monday, Soren Berger

Soren will also be giving a full-day, hands-on class at Rockler from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. Cost and topic of the class will be published in the next newsletter.

Sept 21 & 22 (Thursday & Friday) - Stuart Batty

Stuart Batty will be teaching a hands-on class of "Techniques." Stuart is renown for his thin-walled vessels and winged bowls. Cost of class will be published in the next newsletter.

Sept 23 (Saturday) – Stuart Batty

Stuart will have a full day demonstration 10:00 am to 1:00 pm and 2:00 pm to 5:30 pm at Rockler. Cost is \$5 for FRW members and \$15 for non-members with all procedures going to the Scholarship Fund.

Sept 24 & 25 (Sunday & Monday) – Stuart Batty

Stuart Batty will be teaching a hands-on class of "Advanced." Students in the "Advanced" class must have taken the "Techniques" class prior at one time or another. Cost will be published in the next newsletter.

Shop Tour Announcements

July

Bear Limvere will host his long-awaited shop tour on Saturday, July 22, from 1:00-3:00 pm. More details in the next newsletter.

August

Bill Hopper will host his shop tour on Saturday, August 19, from 1:00-3:00 pm. Details later.

Bulk Orders

Dave Hawley will be accepting orders for Woodline, Craft Supplies, and Cutting Edge Tools at the June meeting. In addition, Craft Supplies has made the offer to donate \$2 to FRW for every member who signs up on their mailing list.

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. You

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can also call him at 303-443-2332 if you have questions or orders.

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

Cindy Drozda Classes

Cindy Drozda, one of our FRW members, is scheduled to teach monthly classes at Rockler. Cindy is an internationally recognized demonstrator and her woodturning workshops are in high demand at clubs around the country. These Saturday classes will cover the design and technique skills that Cindy uses in her work. Visit her website at www.cindydrozda.com.

Classes are held at Rockler Woodworking and Hardware in Denver from 9am to 4pm. Cost is \$135 including materials. To reserve your place, contact Rockler at 303-782-0588, or www.rockler.com.

Class schedule:

Saturday June 3, 2006 – Basic Box Class –Beginner level: make your first box

Saturday July 15th, 2006 – Banksia Pod Box – Intermediate level

Saturday August 5th, 2006 - Finial Box – Cindy's signature piece! Intermediate level

Saturday September 9th, 2006 – Hollow Vessels - Intermediate level

Saturday October 7th, 2006 - Basic Box Class –Beginner level: make your first box

Saturday November 11th, 2006 – Lidded Hollow Vessel with Finial – Advanced level

Mentoring Classes

Mentoring classes have been cancelled until further notice due to a loss in Phil Houck's family.

RMW Invitation

The Rocky Mountain Woodturners have an open invitation to their monthly meeting. They meet on the first Thursday after our meeting at Colorado State University, Fort Collins, in the Industrial Sciences building, Room 105, at 7:00 pm. Their website is www.rmwt.org.

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.

Woodcraft Turning Demos

Pete Holtus does demos every Thursday, 6:30-8:30 pm at Woodcraft, 4403 Tamarac Parkway, Denver. Contact Pete at 303-364-5365 for more information.

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: Members who signed up can get their 10% discounts by letting them know you're on the FRW member list. Second, if you 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 request. You can contact Dave Hawley at 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.)

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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.

AAW 2006 Symposium

The American Association of Woodturners Symposium is scheduled for June 22-24, 2006, in Louisville, KY. AAW members pay \$245, non-members pay \$275 if you register before May 15, Raffle will include multiple lathes, tools, faceplates, and other wonderful items. See their website at <http://www.woodturner.org/sym/sym2006/> or call them at 651-484-9094 for more details.

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.

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., 975 W. Mississippi Ave., 80223, phone 303-733-1292 or 303-722-1007, web 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.

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 1st 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.

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. 20% discount to Woodclub members. Contact 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.

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
Web: www.mscdirect.com

DoAll Industrial Supply
custom bandsaws
2955 S. Tejon St.
Englewood, CO 80110
Phone: 800-92-DOALL
Web: 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

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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.

Sanding disks - Steve Worcester in Texas (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.

Contacting the Editor

Due to the hundreds of spam emails that Alisa receives every

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day, she has requested that if you want to contact her via email, be sure to include "FRW" in the subject line. This will help her not miss your email or accidentally delete it when she is clearing the garbage from her inbox. Her email address is

alisalimvere@yahoo.com.

Problems Receiving Emailed Newsletter?

Unfortunately, many email providers are automatically filtering attachments or entire emails because of the proliferation of viruses and spam. If you have signed up for an emailed newsletter, but haven't been receiving it lately, try the following:

- Confirm that your email inbox isn't full. Many email providers will automatically deny emails without telling you if you've used up your space allotment.
- Check with your email provider to see if they are filtering your email without you knowing.
- If your email provider allows you, add the following email addresses to your "Always Allow" or "Do Not Filter" list:

alisalimvere@yahoo.com

alimvere@mxlogic.com

matotanka@yahoo.com

You may receive the newsletter from any of these addresses.

- Confirm with Alisa (newsletter editor) that your email address is correct.

It's worth setting up to receive the newsletter by email. It saves paper, postage, and you get to see the photos in full color.

If all else fails, you can tell Alisa to send you the newsletter in hardcopy via USPS.

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

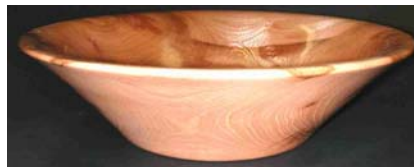
The turning challenge for May was Bowls. Les Stern won with his beautiful natural-edged bowl.



Les Stern – Bowl, natural-edged box elder. Winner of Turning Challenge!



Phil Houck – Bowl, natural-edged box elder.



Steve Murphy – Bowl, cherry.



James Genack – Bowl, maple with burned detail.



Robin Luther – Bowl, honey locust.



Bear Limvere – Bowl, elm with turquoise and brass Kokopelli inlay.



Bill Norberg – Bowl, maple.



James Genack – Bowl, spalted maple with carved detail.



Brandon Mackie – Bowl, cherry.

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Bear Limvere – “Step Into My Parlor”; Elm bowl with malachite and brass inlay.



Close-up of inlay.



John Montague – Box with finial, ziricote.



Phil Houck – Bowl, maple.



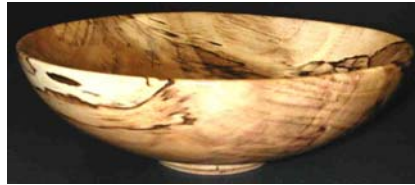
Brandon Mackie – Set of bowls, walnut.



Lavonne Kaiser – Bowl, ash.



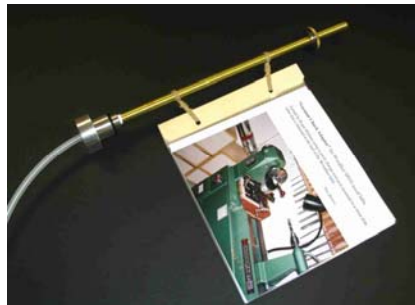
James Genack – Vase, cottonwood burl.



Curl Will – Bow, spalted myrtle.



Steve Claycomb – Bowl, natural-edged walnut.



Roger Holmes – Vacuum chuck adapter.



Steve Claycomb – Lidded box, juniper.



Barbara Craig – Vase, pear with carved detail.



Barbara Craig – Vase, wormy ash.

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Steve Claycomb – Lidded box, apple.



Steve DeJong – Bowl, natural-edged Palo Verde. Steve's donation to the perpetual turning project.



James Genack – Top and side view of bowl, walnut with beaded detail.



Terrence Rice – Lidded box with natural edge, birch. ❖

Demonstrations

Pete Holtus demonstrated the Weisflog-style "spider" box. This type of box is made by turning regular grooves into $\frac{1}{2}$ the depth of the material on opposite sides. One side has the grooves concentric to the center. The other side has the grooves cut concentric to an off-center axis.



Example of box with centered pattern up. Note the moiré pattern making the "spider."



Example showing the eccentric side up. Also note the piece is inlaid into a solid wood rim to help hide where the cuts exit the sides of the piece.



Another example showing the "spider."



Cut the eccentric grooves first. The faceplate is a flat piece of wood with a dowel inserted offcenter in the face. Drill hole in blank and mount with water as "glue" (makes wood expand onto dowel). Blank must be trued, flat, and mounted with endgrain perpendicular to spindle.



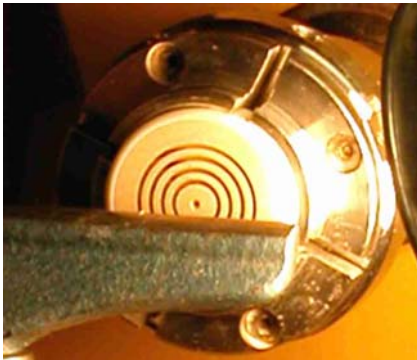
Closeup of special tool used to cut grooves. Slight bevels are ground into back.



Some grooves have been cut. Be sure to go no deeper than $\frac{1}{2}$ the wood thickness. Notice how the grooves exit the side of the wood. Be sure to keep tool flat and straight in. Any twist will catch in the tight groove and break the wood or the tool.

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After all rings are cut, touch the corner of each ridge with a parting tool to slightly round the edge.



The piece has been reversed into a jawed chuck and some of the centered grooves have been cut.



After all the grooves have been cut, again, slightly round the corners of the rings.



Turning the box that will receive the inlay.



Parting off the box. ❖

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 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.

Web Stuff

The Front Range WoodTurners
Web site address:

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/~drmelli/rmw.html
www.lathes.co.uk
www.woodworkingbasics.com
www.treelineusa.com
www.woodturnerscatalog.com
www.kestrelcreek.com
www.choicewoods.com
www.woodturner.com
www.woodturningonline.com
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 – Legacy ornamental mill machine 40" long. 0.25x and 2x gear sets. Floor stand, dust control, rotary table router and bits. \$1,500. Contact Robin Luther, 303-617-8492.

For Sale - Scroll Saw. Delta 40-680, 20", 6 speed, w/ stand. NEW still sealed in shipping crate. \$400. (amazon \$479). ALSO Belt Sander Porter-Cable 362VS, 4x24", Variable speed, w/ dust collector bag. NEW, still in box. \$200. (amazon \$239). Contact Richard Kuivila - 303 708-0905.

For Sale – Carb-a-tech variable speed mini-lathe, 6" swing, 12" between centers, with Bonnie Klein scroll chuck. Low use, cabinet, extra fuses. \$200. Contact Dean Morrell at 719-638-1800. Forced to sell to raise money for medical bills for son diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis. ❖

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