



# FRONT RANGE WOODTURNERS

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## News

Our August demonstrator is professional turner **Jimmy Clewes** from Las Vegas, Nevada. Jimmy is well known on the woodturning circuit and is in high demand as an instructor and demonstrator the world over. If you've never seen Jimmy demo before, you're in for a treat!



Jimmy will be demonstrating a **Tri-Corner Bowl with Lid**:

This is a really interesting turning, mounted corner to corner in the lathe, you have to look and cut to the "Ghost line" to see the shape and form the bowl. The lids adds a little extra!!

## Announcements

Here is the scheduled line-up for our demonstrators for the rest of 2018.

September – <b>Ron Ainge</b> – Ornaments	November – <b>Ed Cypher</b> - Casting
October – <b>Allen Jensen</b> – Beads of Courage Box	December – Holiday Party

Thank you to the July cleanup crew for Keith Gotshall's demo (there were A LOT of shavings!):

**Robby Shelton, Kay Shofner, Scott Thomsen**

The August cleanup crew for Jimmy Clewes demo are:

**Jay Miller** (second time this year); **Andy Boudreau** and **Kay Shofner**, (back-to-back months!)

The next board meeting is Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup> at 9am at Rockler's. All members are welcome!

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If you have any donations for the **Denver Hospice fundraiser** on August 22<sup>nd</sup>, please bring them to the August meeting.

## ***Turning Challenge***

The turning challenge for July was ***any Box or Bowl with a Lid***. The winners were:

Beginner: no entries (2<sup>nd</sup> month in a row with no Beginner entries!)

Intermediate: **Kim Komitor** (see image in gallery)

Advanced: **Les Stern** (see image in gallery)

### **Turning challenge for August: *a bowl in one of the 3 styles demo'd by Keith Gotschall***

Although we don't have a category for Raffle Wood Challenge anymore, we still want to see what you make with raffle wood so feel free to write *Raffle wood* in the Additional Information box on the Show-and-Tell form.

The rules for our monthly turning challenge are:

- Self-assess your level of turning (Beginner, Intermediate or Advanced). Do not judge your skill level by how long you have been turning.
- Fill out a Show-and-Tell form with your name, title of the piece, finish used, etc. All of the forms on our website are now interactive and can be filled out online and printed ahead of time. If you want, you can print a blank form and fill it out by hand, and we will also have blank forms at the meeting.
- The Show-and-Tell forms have a check box for "Turning Challenge" and "Show-and-Tell only". Check the appropriate box.
- To enter the turning challenge, there are 3 folders marked Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced. Each folder has numbered slips of paper that are color coded to the skill level:

Beginner = Red  
Intermediate = Blue  
Advanced = Yellow

- Pick a bag of numbers from your respective skill folder - it doesn't matter which number you pick. The Beginner folder only has red numbers, Intermediate only has blue numbers, etc.
- Write the number on your card in case things get mixed up, and place the bag with your numbers on top of your Show-and-Tell card (so people can vote for you). Do not throw the bag away!
- You cannot vote for yourself.

## ***Club Info***

### ***Membership – Mike Mullen***

Please welcome our newest member: **Jim Sledz**, from Colorado Springs.

Here is a breakdown of the current membership:

Co-club Members	5
Family Members	25
Individual Members	147
Lifetime Members	9
Family Roster	19
Student Members	2
Total Membership	207

Annual dues are the following:

- Individual – \$45
- Couple – \$50
- Student – \$22.50
- Under 12 years – Free!

To help with tracking payments, we request that you pay using a personal check or money order made out to Front Range Woodturners. You can pay in cash if you have the exact amount. You can also mail a check or money order (no cash, please) for your dues to the following address: Front Range Woodturners, PO Box 620605, Littleton, CO 80162

Please include the following information with your dues: Name; Spouse Name (if signing up as Couple); Street; City; State; Zip; best phone number to reach you and your Email address.

You will receive multiple benefits of being a member, including but not limited to the following:

- Monthly newsletter
- Ability to check items out of our extensive library of videos and magazines
- Discounts on regular bulk orders of various supplies
- Discounts at stores in the Denver area (including the 10% discount at our Rockler store!)
- Monthly demonstrations by locally and internationally known woodturners
- Being listed in and receiving a copy of the membership roster
- Ability to participate in free, hands-on mentoring classes
- And last, but not least, access to the best bunch of woodturners around for questions, war stories, or just to visit.

All our club events are funded by your dues and donations (such as the monthly wood raffle).

If you are a member in good standing with the Rocky Mountain Woodturners in Loveland or the Pike's Peak Woodturners club in Colorado Springs, you may join Front Range Woodturners club for half price. Likewise if you are a member in good standing here you may join the RMW and PPW clubs for half price.

### ***Group Purchases and Individual Catalog Orders – Roger Holmes***

An update on Industrial Abrasives (IA), our sanding supplies vendor. Prices for Hook & Loop (H&L) mandrels, and H&L Discs have been reduced starting in July, and while the quality remains high and the weight of the cloth backing remains heavier than elsewhere in the marketplace, the pricing (including S&H) is less (in

some instances significantly less) than Klingspor, Craft Supplies, Hartville, and The Sanding Glove. If anyone finds a better deal, please let **Dave Hawley**, Group Buy Assistant Coordinator, know about it.

for items on the Wholesale Price List but not on the FRW order sheet will be addressed individually. Because S&H charges from Pennsylvania for oversize items are so expensive, ordering 1 yd x 1yd sheets of H&L is cost effective only if we order nine (9) sheets at a time – that results in a sheet cost of about \$17.25. With a pair of shop shears and a little effort, 256 each 2.25” x 2.25” squares may be cut from each sheet, making the effective cost per disc 7 cents. The square may be slapped on a 2” mandrel, the corners clipped off, and the sides crimped around the mandrel to make sanding the inside of bowls much more efficient, and also make the mandrels last longer. The same process may be used for the 3” size.

**Starting in July, until supplies are exhausted,** smaller sheets are available - in 25 packs – 3.15” x 4.5” – of the same H&L Aluminum Oxide, Stearate-coated material used in the discs, for **\$2.88** (including S&H). The grits available are 80 (D weight), and 220, 400, 500, 600, and 1000 (C weight). A great buy as long as it lasts, and squares may be cut from these smaller sheets as well.

Please see the FRW website ([www.frontrangewoodturners.org](http://www.frontrangewoodturners.org)) for the Group Purchases and Individual Catalog Orders details. Copies are also available at the Group Purchase table before meetings. Please make checks payable to **Roger Holmes** for Craft Supplies and Woodcarvers Supply group purchases. Make checks for CA Glue and Sanding Disks payable to **Del Fussell**. Make checks for band saw blades payable to **David Hawley**. To participate in Individual Catalog Orders, sign up on the sheet that is passed around at each meeting.

### ***Quarterly Group Buy Schedule:***

Group purchase orders for Industrial Abrasives, Starbond CA Glue, Craft Supplies, Spence Ind. Band Saw Blades and Woodcarvers Supply will be taken at the monthly meetings in January, April, July and October.

### ***FRW Group Buys – Bandsaw Blades from Spence Distributors***

FRW has processed three orders for 3/8” blades to date – quantities of 50, 25, and 30, respectively (minimum order for any size is 20 blades). It is possible we have saturated the FRW market, but I do not believe so – I believe the word has simply not gone out. This is a great deal both in quality and price. I have received no complaints, and many positive comments. Group Buys is attempting to process another order for 3/8” blades but has not yet reached the minimum 20 count that will enable submission of that order.

A little history - I have been using Spence bandsaw blades for over 10 years, having found out about them from Michael Hosaluk, a professional turner from Canada (Spence is a family owned business in Canada). Michael highly recommended their blades and stated he had been using them for 25+ years. When I started buying, the minimum order quantity was 7, so I ordered individually, and when it changed to 20, I joined with several other local turners to process orders. Now all FRW members have that opportunity via Group Buys.

The current order for 3/8” blades will remain open month-to-month until the minimum 20 quantity is reached. Now is the time to jump in on this order if you want high quality blades at a great price! See Group Buys on the FRW website for more information and order forms.

**Dave Hawley** – Group Buy Assistant for Spence Distributors

### ***Group Buy Contact Information:***

**Roger Holmes** – 1844 W. Plum Cir., Louisville, CO 80027 - 303-665-8041 - [roger\\_holmes@comcast.net](mailto:roger_holmes@comcast.net)

**Del Fussell** – 11455 N. Antelope Ln., Parker, CO 80138 - 303-805-2663 - [fussell6@comcast.net](mailto:fussell6@comcast.net)

**David Hawley** – 1516 Lodge Court, Boulder, CO 80303 – 303-443-2332 – [dbh001@gmail.com](mailto:dbh001@gmail.com)

Note: If Rockler stocks an item, please purchase that item from Rockler at their 10% club discount. We owe that to Rockler for being a wonderful host to our club.

## ***Librarian's Corner – Bob Britt***

Let's all give a "Thank You" to our videographer **Richard Kuivila**. He recently upgraded components in our video recording system and Wa La. The result is a huge improvement in the quality of our demo videos. The shadowing that was so very visible across the top of the screen is gone and we have a beautifully clear video without the distraction from that annoyance of the past. Thank you, Richard.

The latest **Trent Bosch** video has finally arrived. BOS-14 takes you through all the steps that Trent goes through when developing new ideas or combining existing ideas in his wood turned sculptures. You follow Trent while he discusses each step in the process of creating a piece. This includes brainstorming, sketching, prototyping, executing, evaluating and more. The perfect answer if you are looking to generate new ideas, as well as for those not sure of where to start. This is the third video of Trent's latest instructional series and contains over two hours of information.

Other recent arrivals:

AAW -21- PAM- Open and Shut – Photographs only of 41 turned boxes by WIT (Women in Turning). Some have been carved or have other enhancements. One is from our own **Camille Wall** and another from **Kay Liggett**.

AAW-22- PAM- Spheres : the second round. A catalog of the 2017 Invitation and Juried Exhibition of the AAW Professional Outreach Program as displayed at the symposium in Kansas City last year. This is a follow-up to AAW-14, The Sphere, a 2008 Invitational Exhibit in Richmond, VA.

Either of these 2 publications should certainly help get those creative ideas flowing regardless of the level of experience that you currently possess.

HEI-01 – **David Heim** – Book - Woodturning Patterns – Over 80 patterns of projects that are idea for yard or home.

WT- 220 – Woodturning – Mag – Our subscription continues and the latest issues offer project ideas, tool reviews and interviews with wood turners from around the globe. Check out our club website – Library Full Listing to see a description of the key articles in each issue. Woodturning appears as the last group of entries. The Woodturning Issues are listed on pages 80 – 93 of the spreadsheet.

## ***Mentoring Program – Marty Christensen***

The mentoring program is going strong. We would like to extend in invite to all for the next mentoring class which will be on Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm in the basement of Rockler's.

## ***Youth Mentoring Program – Don Prorak***

We'll be resuming the Stargate School turning club later in August with member Stephen Pegler. Thanks again for all the generous donations and help. At the last meeting we received 2 brand new stone grinding wheels from Arnold Silverman, and some turning tools from Pikes Peak member Dave Rudy, via Steve Maikel.

If anyone has an idea for another program we could get involved with, please let me know, particularly if it is a program you would like to work with. I've initiated contact with a community woodshop in Broomfield, and will see if anything works out there.

## ***Ladies of the Lathe – Robyn Herman***

Upcoming classes and demos:

August 18th

**Alisa Limvere** - Pyrography

September 8th (Note, not 3rd Saturday)

**Ron Ainge** - Ornaments

October 20th

November 17th

December- No class

Also, remember the fundraiser/silent action for the **Denver Hospice Christopher's Angels!** The August meeting will be the last opportunity to bring something to donate.

**Dale Sherman** - Coloring bowls

**Bob Franklin** - Casting

All female members of the FRW, aged 12 or older, are invited to join the Ladies of the Lathe. Turning is a finesse skill that anyone can learn. LOTL is intended to provide a comfortable, easy-paced, and non-threatening environment for women to learn and advance their skills in turning. Men may attend when not enough women sign up. Check with Robyn on space availability.

### ***Shop Tours – Ken Rollins***



On Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup> Bear and Alisa Limvere hosted a cook-out at their home in Elbert County. Bear demonstrated his foot-powered lathe and also showed us their very nice in-home shop.

### **Shop tours for the rest of 2018:**

AUGUST: **Bob Carver** at his home.  
(Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup>. 4097 S. Logan St., Englewood)

SEPTEMBER: tentatively the 29<sup>th</sup> at 10AM, a tour of **Keith Motzner's** shop in Centennial.

OCTOBER: **Larry Fox's** home in Castle Rock.

NOVEMBER is still available.

DECEMBER: No tour; Holiday Party

### ***Newsletter – Jim Proud***

Comments and articles for the monthly newsletter should be emailed to the editor at [cavaleon1956@gmail.com](mailto:cavaleon1956@gmail.com). Submissions should arrive at least ten days before the next meeting. If you are not receiving the emailed newsletter, contact Jim and make sure your email address is correct.

## ***Wood Raffle - Lavonne Kaiser***

Bring in any wood pieces you would like to donate to the club for the wood raffle each month and you will receive one free ticket. Tickets sell for \$1 apiece. The money supports the overall activities of the club.

## ***Perpetual Turning Project***

The perpetual turning item at the July meeting was a lidded box made by **Mike Skiba** and taken home by **Dale Sherman**.

The concept is that the item brought for the Perpetual Turning Project 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. 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. Beginners can participate just as much as advanced turners. If the first winner doesn't want to make a turning, he/she can choose just the wood, and the next winner can take the turning.

## ***Pete Holtus Educational Opportunity Grant - Tom Tedesco***

I would encourage any FRW member to begin thinking about applying for a 2019 PHEOG grant. The grant can be used to attend workshops, symposiums, or hands on training. Requirements and rules for the grants are on the FRW website. Please read them as there are a few changes from past years.

## ***AAW Membership***

The American Association of Woodturners (AAW) is our "mother" organization. FRW is a chapter of AAW. AAW has a separate membership fee and program from FRW with multiple benefits, not least of which is their quarterly American Woodturning magazine. See AAW's website at [www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org).

## ***Beads of Courage Bowls***

Children's Hospital in Aurora gave us a Thank You card, thanking us for donating bowls. The card read:

*"Children's Hospital Colorado wishes to thank you for your gift. Because of your kind and generous donation, we are well prepared to meet the needs of our patients and their families. Your support of Children's Hospital Colorado is greatly appreciated."* There was also a handwritten note that said: *"Thank you for thinking of our kids!"*

### BOC Reminder:

1. Sign your work! (neatness counts). Be proud of what you have made. Be sure to sign or print your name, date (month and year), and type of wood. You can also put a business card inside or print a card with your info to put inside. A personal note of encouragement goes a long way.
2. Incorporate one of the Beads of Courage beads or write/burn *Beads of Courage* somewhere (bottom of box, inside of lid, side of bowl, etc.)
3. Bigger is better, kids may receive anywhere from a handful to thousands of beads. Minimum inside dimensions are 5" wide x 4" deep, but 6"x 5" and larger is better.
4. Square boxes are OK too. We are woodturners, but many of us are woodworkers as well.
5. Lids must have a knob, and make sure the knob is big enough for a child to easily grasp. Do not make a tight fitting lid.
6. Do not use an oil finish inside the bowl. Shellac, wax, (and I've recently been told) that water based poly is

OK to use. Do not use an oil based poly inside the bowl.

For more information, please visit: [www.beadsofcourage.org/pages/woodturners.html](http://www.beadsofcourage.org/pages/woodturners.html)

For more questions or more information, contact **Pat Scott**.

**Members may remember that at the April meeting we had an announcement concerning the “Christopher’s Angels Fund”. Here is the information:**

### **The Denver Hospice – Christopher’s Angels Fund**

#### **What is the Christopher’s Angels Fund?**

Christopher’s Angels Fund was founded by Bob and Donna Johnson in memory of their son. Christopher died in the care of the Denver Hospice when he was two years old. The Johnsons struggled financially during Christopher’s illness and struggled to find resources to help. They hoped that by this fund they could ease the financial stress on other families coping with terminal illness.

#### **How does Christopher’s Angel Fund help families served by The Denver Hospice?**

Family assistance grants from Christopher’s Angels Fund can be requested for non-medical needs like food, mortgage/rent payments, home and auto repairs, special occasions, outings and celebrations, travel expenses, summer camps and other activity fees for children. It can also cover funeral/memorial service costs and direct care expenses not covered by insurance.

Christopher’s Angels Fund truly makes a difference in the lives of families serviced by The Denver Hospice. As families reach the end of a long battle with a terminal illness, their financial resources are often depleted. Many hospice families find themselves not only dealing with the stress of illness, but coping with being stretched beyond their limits, trying to fit work and other responsibilities into a physically and emotionally demanding experience.

The grants given from Christopher’s Angels Fund help alleviate financial burdens, enabling hospice patients and families to attend to what is most important – spending as much quality time as they can with the peoples they love.

**We of the Front Range Woodturners Club can help the Christopher’s Angels Fund in two ways: By participating in the “8<sup>th</sup> Annual Poker Run” - a motorcycle ride and poker game that raises funds and/or by donating a turned piece to be given away as a door prize at the end of the Poker Run ride.**

**For more information about participating in either way, please contact Susan Dane. Susan’s email is [sjames@care4denver.org](mailto:sjames@care4denver.org) and her phone number is 720/985-3949.**

### ***Parking Courtesy***

Rockler has requested that we do not park in front of the neighboring open businesses as a courtesy. Please leave room for their customers. If the lot in front of Rockler is full, there is ample additional parking across Colorado Blvd.

### ***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. If you feel the need for conversation during the meeting or demonstration, please feel free to step upstairs into the Rockler store.

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



*July Gallery*



Ryan Custer - Acrylic



Phil Houck - Maple



Jay Miller – Aspen, Mesquite



Rick Orr - Corian



Don Prorak - Cherry



Don Prorak - Elm



Kim Komitor – Box Elder Burl  
Turning Challenge Intermediate Winner



Roper - Linden



Mike Skiba – Copper Dragon Egg

Roper – Box Elder Burl



Les Stern - Camphor



Paul Russell - Maple



Pat Scott – Big Leaf Maple



Gene Wentworth – (l-r) Russian Olive and Ebony, Spalted Maple and Myrtle, Spalted Maple and Rosewood



Les Stern – Box Elder



Les Stern – Box Elder  
Turning Challenge Advanced Winner

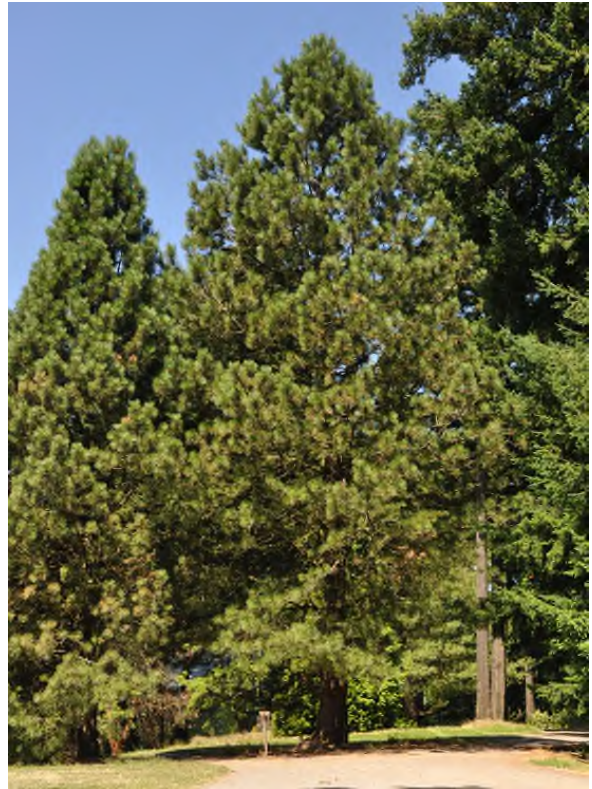


Mike Skiba – Bronze and Brass Dragon Egg

## *Trees of Colorado*

### **Ponderosa Pine**

Ponderosa pine is one of the best-known trees of the American West, and covers a larger area than any other American conifer. Ponderosa grows from Mexico to British Columbia, and from the Pacific Coast to South Dakota. In the southern Rockies it grows in sunny and fairly dry locations at 5500 to 8000 feet elevation, and occasionally to 10,000 feet elevation. Ponderosa pine can endure drought and high temperatures, suiting it to locations where many other kinds of conifers could not survive, including south-facing and west-facing slopes. In such cases it has a stout and rounded form. In a very dry setting a Ponderosa 10 inches thick may be 120 years old. Ponderosa has the longest needle of all types of conifer trees in the southern Rockies, and the needles make a musical sighing when the wind blows. On warm summer days the resin in bark and twigs gives forth a delightful odor. When the wind is right on a warm summer evening Ponderosa forests can be scented miles downwind. The trees' natural fragrance is chemically close to vanilla.



**Color/Appearance:** Heartwood is reddish brown, sapwood is yellowish white.

**Grain/Texture:** Straight grained with medium texture.

**Endgrain:** Medium-large resin canals, numerous and evenly distributed, mostly solitary; earlywood to latewood transition fairly abrupt, color contrast can vary depending on growth ring spacing; tracheid diameter medium-large.

**Rot Resistance:** The heartwood is rated as moderate to low in decay resistance.

**Workability:** Ponderosa pine works well with both hand and machine tools. Glues and finishes well.

**Odor:** Ponderosa Pine has a faint, resinous odor while being worked.

**Allergies/Toxicity:** Working with pine has been reported to cause allergic skin reactions and/or asthma-like symptoms in some people. (Source: Stuart Wier, *westernexplorers* and *The Wood Database*)

## ***Rockler***

Patronizing the Rockler store is the best “thank you” we can give Rockler for their generosity in letting us use their facilities for our 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 the Rockler staff can start shutting down the store.

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 Rockler 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).

## Classifieds

*Please note: All advertising in the Classifieds is free, but be sure to notify the newsletter editor if an item is no longer for sale. All ads that are older than 3 months will be deleted, unless you contact the newsletter editor to run it longer. To submit a classified ad email the newsletter editor at: [cavaleon1956@gmail.com](mailto:cavaleon1956@gmail.com).*

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**FOR SALE:** Baldor Model 632E 6-inch slow speed grinder. Unit is in nearly new condition. \$300.00. **Jim Olson**, email: [JDOFMCOLO@aol.com](mailto:JDOFMCOLO@aol.com), phone; 303-771-9869. (Posted 7-18)



**HELP WANTED:** One customer-focused individual to help shelve returned items to our club library. This position starts at 5:15p.m. and concludes at 6:10, just prior to when the business meeting begins. Being comfortable with a computer is a plus as there could be opportunity for advancement. Availability and reliability will also be considered. Great benefits. If interested see **Bob Britt** in the library at our next meeting.

**For Sale by Dave Hawley**, FRW Member – 303-443-2332 – [dbh001@gmail.com](mailto:dbh001@gmail.com) (posted 7-18)

Item	Price
NEW 3-Piece Pen or Other Small Turnings Tools – Square & Round Carbide Tools, and HSS Parting Tool	Rockler #47600 - \$144.05 (incl tax); now on sale for \$113.18 (incl tax and \$0 S&H). Price: <b>\$95</b>
ALMOST NEW (used once) – Ellsworth Signature Bowl Gouge – Henry Taylor M-2 HSS – ½” (diameter of shaft is 5/8” – shaft length 10”)	Craft Supplies 104-678 - \$110.95 (less 13% for FRW Group Buys is \$96.53. Price: <b>\$80</b>
NEW – Ellsworth Grinding Jig	Craft Supplies 101-561 - \$44.95 (less 13% for FRW Group Buys is \$39.11). Price: <b>\$30</b>
NEW – Rockler Silicone Project Mat – 30” x 15” x 1/8” – rolls up	Rockler \$30.86 (incl tax). Price: <b>\$20</b>
Sorby Double Ended Caliper – 4” - Perfect condition	Craft Supplies 104-236 - \$18.50 (less 13% for FRW Group Buys is \$16.10). Price: <b>\$12</b>
Sorby Double Ended Caliper – 7” – Perfect condition	Craft Supplies 104-236 - \$22.50 (less 13% for FRW Group Buys is \$19.58). Price: <b>\$15</b>
Sorby Speciality Calipers 10”	Craft Supplies 103-470 - \$33.75 (less 13% for FRW

	Group Buys is \$29.36). Price: <b>\$23</b>
Dayton A.C. Motor – 115v – 1/3HP – 5.8A – reversible – single ½” arbor – great for buffer	<b>\$20</b>