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Announcements

Upcoming Demonstrators in 2020

January – **Kirk DeHeer**, February - Round Robin & Swap Meet, March – **Kreg Hamburger**

April – **Matt Monaco**, July – **Laurent Niclot** from France

Clean-up Crew:

The January clean-up crew for **Kirk DeHeer's** demo are: **Don Prorak, Bruce Dunn and Marc Carpenter** (new member that just joined and volunteered already!) Anyone who wants to can just stay when the meeting is over and pitch in!

Turning Challenge:

The turning challenge for January is to turn some kind of a ring as demonstrated by **Dave Landers** at the November meeting.

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.

Mentor List

We now have a list of members that have volunteered to be one-on-one mentors to help other club members. No matter what skill level you are - from brand new turner on up – sometimes a few hours of personalized instruction is all it takes to help you master a new tool or technique. The list has been updated and is available to members. Request a list from **Marty Christiansen**.

New Lathe

Our new Powermatic 3520C lathe is here and ready to start the new year! The lathe came in last week and has been installed and is ready to go. Out with the old and in with the new, as our old lathe went to its new home the same day. We're still waiting on the Laguna 12/16 midi-lathe that we ordered but are hopeful it will be here in time for **Kirk DeHeer's** class in January. Since we're talking about new lathes, all of Rockler's new Laguna 12/16 lathes have arrived and are in the classroom. The new Laguna's will replace the older Jet lathes. If you are interested in buying one of the Jet lathes, contact Rich Johnson at Rockler.

Club Information

>Membership – Mike Mullen

TEN new members joined us last month. This brings our total membership to 254! The most ever! Our new members include **Jerry Wyatt, Jerry Wyatt Jr., Kathy Robillie, Alexander Bradley, Mike Davis, Debra Figley-Feldman, Bruce Dunn, Wyatt Bradley, David Woodlee and Marc Carpenter**.

Co-club Members	8
Family Members	30
Individual Members	166
Lifetime Members	10
Family Roster	38
Student Members	3
Total Membership	254

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 – Jay Miller

INDUSTRIAL ABRASIVES: Industrial Abrasives (IA) is our principal sanding supplies vendor, but individual orders to Klingspor may also be member-processed (see details on the FRW website). Prices for Hook & Loop (H&L) mandrels, and H&L Discs remain the lowest in the marketplace, with the weight of the backing heavier than the competition.

STARBOND. Starbond is our principal cyanocrylate (CA) glue vendor. Prices increased as of January 2019 (see new order sheets). Our minimum order is \$100, but if we order at a 200+ level, a 15% AAW-related discount kicks in, making S&H essentially free.

TURQUOISE BUY- Dave Hawley has found a source for natural Arizona turquoise and is offering to sponsor a one time buy for the material. The cost is \$40.00 / lb., but if we can get orders for 20 lbs. the price will be \$38.00 / lb. Dave needs to charge \$42.00 / lb. to cover shipping but will refund any moneys received over actual cost.

Remember that our first quarterly group buy is in January. The quarterly group buy is for Craft Supplies (all catalog items), Industrial Abrasives, Star Bond adhesives, Spence Dist. Bandsaw Blades, and Wood Carvers Supply. Order forms and price sheets are on the web site. The current price sheets are for 2019. The price sheets will be up dated as early in January as possible.

GROUP BUY COORDINATORS: The new group buy coordinators are **Jay Miller** and **Ted Mellin**. Please see the FRW website (www.fronrangewoodturners.org) for Group Purchase details, including order sheets and which Group Buy Coordinator should receive checks for which vendor resource.

GROUP BUY SCHEDULE: Group orders for Industrial Abrasives sanding supplies, Starbond CA Glue, Craft Supplies USA tools and supplies, Spence Industries band saw blades, and Woodcarvers Supply carving tools and supplies will be taken at the monthly meetings in January, April, July, and October.

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

>Librarian's Corner – Bob Britt

Happy New Year to all. As we welcome in a new year we are pleased to announce a few additions to your FRW Library.

BUR-10 - Book – Pen Turning – A Foundation Course – Kip Christensen and Rex Burningham - The title says it all but doesn't do justice to the excellent photography and the topics covered in this recent publication authored by the popular teaching/turning duo from Utah. This is the ideal guide for those keen to learn the art of creating pens. All the basic techniques and information needed are

fully explained and supported with excellent photography. From blank preparation to gluing, turning, sanding and finishing. Wood, acrylics, antler and cast blanks are covered. This 118 page publication has something to offer to all but the most experienced pen builders.

FLY-02 - Book – Fluid Forms Liam Flynn (1969-2017)– While Flynn has not been recognized around the globe as much as other wood turners/artists, his work is widely acknowledged within the U.K. This book was put together as a memorial after his passing in 2017. He specialized in wide mouth vessels and hollow-forms.

Boxmakers – Checkout the current series by Jason Breach in Woodturning Magazine. Commencing with issue 336 (Sept 2019) through the current 340. The series is probably for intermediate to advanced turners and features various aspects of enhancing lids on straight sided boxes, turning finials and utilizing threaded lids on small hollow forms. Jason is one of the finest box turners active today. Although he has not been travelling much and is not very well known outside of the U.K. he has demonstrated several times in the USA most recently at the Utah and Loveland symposiums several years ago.

>Mentoring Program – Marty Christensen

Our January meeting will be on Monday the 6th in the Rockler basement from 5-7 pm. We will be going over sanding and prepping for a finish.

If there is a particular topic you would like to have a mentoring meeting on, please contact Marty and let him know.

>Youth Mentoring Program – Don Prorak

It was a busy end of the year for FRW Youth Mentoring. We had a very nice display of student work at the Holiday Party, including pens, tops, toothpick holders, a sphere, and a “bowl by committee”. Thanks to all the students, and to FRW member and Stargate parent volunteer, **Jeff Hill!**

In December we got two of the old Jet lathes from the Rockler classroom to help with our growing class size. **Bruce Perry** generously purchased one for donation, and Rich gave us a super deal on another. **Mike Skiba & Larry Abrams** came out on a Sunday to help Jeff & me move the lathes to Stargate. We also got help from Stargate teacher Keith Varel on the receiving end. These lathes need some work, so any volunteers with Reeves drive expertise would be greatly appreciated. We also have some old Deltas that could use some maintenance. Please email, call or talk to me at the January meeting if you are able to help.

I'm looking forward to a rewarding 2020 at Stargate, and perhaps some new projects, as well. Thanks for giving me the opportunity to inspire a new generation of turners!

Don Prorak, DonProrak@comcast.net, 303-659-2628, cell: 303-638-6631.

>Ladies of the Lathe – Robyn Herman

Our January LOTL will be on Saturday the 18th and **Dave Hawley** will be teaching us “spatulas, spurtles, and honey dippers”. If you are interested in attending, please email me at LadiesOfTheLatheChair@fronrangewoodturners.org.

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 – Al Murphy

We are soliciting volunteers for shop tours for 2020. Any member can host a shop tour; it is a fun and sociable way to meet other members and get to know them in their native habitat. We will raffle off three exotic bowl blanks at the February meeting. Any member who is signed up to host a shop tour will be entered.

We request tours take place on the 2nd or 4th Saturday of each month but we can accommodate other dates. There are no real qualifications to host a tour – large shop or compact, all hosts are welcome. Also it's a great excuse to tidy up that shop a bit! Make a plan to sign up today!

>Newsletter – Jim Proud

In 2020 I will be assisted by Scott Thomsen who then will probably take over as the editor at the end of the year. Thank you Scott!

Comments and articles for the monthly newsletter should be emailed to the editor at cavaleon1956@gmail.com. Submissions should arrive at least ten days before the next meeting. Your comments and suggestions to improve the newsletter are always welcome.

>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.

>Pete Holtus Educational Opportunity Grant – Bob Franklin

New applications for a grant in 2020 should be submitted by the February meeting. Plan now to submit an application as we have lots of funds for the grants.

Congratulations to the following recipients of a 2019 Pete Holtus Educational Opportunity Grant!

Dale Sherman	Take a class with Steven Hatcher at Marc Adams School
Dave Hawley	Take a class with Michael Hosaluk at Anderson Ranch
Kreg Hamburger	Pay for a semester at Red Rocks Community College
Larry Abrams	Attend Oregon Symposium
Steven Maikell	Take a Trent Bosch class

Perpetual Turning Project

The perpetual turning at the November meeting was a piece by **Bruce Perry** taken by **Don Prorak**. Since we didn't meet in December, the next perpetual turning project will be what is brought in at the January meeting by Don.

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.

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.

AAW Scholarship

CRAFT SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

Deadline: January 15, 2020

The AAW is pleased to offer a total of 28 scholarships for quality woodturning instruction at [Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts](#), Gatlinburg, Tennessee, and [John C. Campbell Folk School](#), Brasstown, North Carolina. Scholarships cover tuition only for courses in 2020; room, board, and travel expenses are the responsibility of the recipient. Selected Masters classes taught at Arrowmont carry an additional \$125 tuition premium, which will be the responsibility of the scholarship recipient. [All current AAW members who belong to an AAW chapter are eligible to self-nominate by completing an online application form, click here.](#)

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If more members are nominated than the total number of available scholarships, a drawing will determine the winners. Winners will be notified by January 21, 2020.

>Beads of Courage

Remember that **Rick Fleming** and **Ed Cypher** collect bowls at every meeting for the Beads of Courage.

>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.

>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)

>December Holiday Party



“Father Christmas” (Bear Limvere) came all the way in from the North Pole (Elbert) and served us a wonderful dinner.



Many brought their special ornaments to exchange.



Marty Christensen received a Lifetime Membership award for his long service to the club.



Jim Proud received the John W. Perkins award for his service to the club.

>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. To submit a classified ad email the newsletter editor at: cavaleon1956@gmail.com.

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