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Announcements

Zoom Demo – August 4, Tuesday

Dave Hawley will demo on Tuesday, August 4, 2020 via Zoom. His topic is "Tips & Tricks Part 2" as a follow-on to his January 2014 Part 1 (DVD in the FRW Library - 2 hours of info). Dave will present a short summary about how he processes turquoise chips and inlays the turquoise, and then demo 7 or 8 partial projects that illustrate how to make turning easier / faster by using techniques and tools that have been rarely if ever addressed by other demonstrators. The pros often bypass the "weeds" of woodturning, and there are many tricks in those weeds that are helpful.

Dave will also make available an online handout (distributed via email to FRW members before the demo) that covers tools and sources. The focus of this handout is "If I was starting over, and knew what I know now, what tools would I purchase, for what purpose, and in what priority?" The handout is directed at beginning turners, but the information and sources are designed to also be of value to experienced turners. Dave will encourage Q&A during the demo and will also plan to expeditiously respond to questions posed via email or phone following the meeting. Zoom invitations to all club members will be emailed out soon.

Upcoming Demonstrators in 2020

September: Mike Skiba – "Thought Through"	November: TBD
October: - Cindy Drozda	December: Holiday Party

Online Demos Available

1. **Trent Bosch** has started doing weekly virtual demos with some big name turners: **Trent Bosch, Rudy Lopez, Laurent Niclot, Eric Lofstrom, Phil Irons, Michael Alguire, and Art Liestman** to name a few. Watch a professional demo from the comfort of your home. The cost is \$10 per demo and Trent is even offering 5 and 10 demo package deals. www.virtualwoodturningdemos.com

2. **Glenn Lucas** is also doing a lot of remote demos and then making those demos available as a high quality DVD download on his website. Glenn has the best camera setup with closeup shots that I've ever seen any demonstrator use. The cost is \$15 Euro per download which works out to \$16.83 US. Once you download the DVD demo it's yours forever. Look under the SHOP tab at www.glennlucaswoodturning.com

3. AAW Virtual Symposium.

Since the AAW Symposium in Louisville was cancelled, the AAW has put together a 3-day symposium on July 10-12th featuring: **Trent Bosch, Cindy Drozda, Rudy Lopez, Glenn Lucas, Mike Mahoney, and Craig Timmerman**. In addition to demos there will also be special interest sessions, panel discussions, live auctions, Instant Gallery, prizes drawings for attendees, a virtual trade show, and more. Registered participants can even

upload a picture to the Virtual Instant Gallery. Registration closes July 3rd, the cost is \$20.20 for all 3 days. www.woodturner.org

4. Worldwide Woodturners Symposium.

If you are on Instagram you probably follow [@woodturners_worldwide](#) already (if not you should). **Matthew Deighton** is the person behind Woodturners Worldwide and has organized a 3-day Worldwide Woodturners Symposium for September 24-26 from 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Join woodturners from around the world for a 3-day woodturning event. Networking, interactive vendor hall, 40 demonstrations and more. Demo's are pre-recorded and played at a certain time (schedule coming soon), and the demonstrator will be online to answer any questions during their demo. You'll be able to pause, rewind, and rewatch any demo.

Featured demonstrators are: **Michael Alguire, Mike Mahoney, Rebecca DeGroot, Jeff Hornung, Raleigh Lockhart, Cindy Drozda, Matthew Deighton, Gregg Gallegos, Graeme Priddle and Melissa Engler, Harvey Meyer**, and more to come. Early bird pricing is \$79 for all 3 days and is good through July 31st. After July 31st the price is \$99. www.woodturnersworldwide.com

Front Range Woodturners now has a You Tube channel at
<https://tinyurl.com/yxem4vw9>

Turning Challenge:

The turning challenges have been suspended until we start meeting together again.

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**.

If you do not have a current roster to find a member's contact information, contact the Newsletter Editor at cavaleon1956@gmail.com and you will be sent one.



EARLY BIRD SPECIAL EXPIRES SOON

20 Demonstrators
35+ Demonstrations
Live Event + Watch for Weeks After
Interactive Vendor Hall
Networking Events
Share Your Work

WOODTURNERS WORLDWIDE ONLINE SYMPOSIUM
IS PROUD TO FEATURE

PAT SCOTT

Use discount code "Pat" to get \$10 off



WoodturnersWorldwide.com

Here's a reminder that early bird registration ends soon. But also Pat was just given a discount code for anyone to use. Use code 'Pat' during checkout to save \$10. The code is good through the end of the symposium.

Club Information

>Membership – Mike Mullen

Welcome to Albert and Renee Carlson as new members. They are from Montana!

Co-club Members	11
Family Members	33
Individual Members	130
Lifetime Members	10
Family Roster	48
Student Members	2
Total Membership	234

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

The next Group Purchase will be this month. Orders must be placed no later than July 14. Please send orders and checks to:

Industrial Abrasives Starbond Glue Wood Carvers Supply Jay Miller 9637 W. Vandeventor Dr. Littleton, CO 80128 (303) 945-4306	Craft supplies Spence Industries Band Saw Blades Ted Millen 9343 W. Coco Drive Littleton, CO 80128
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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.

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. Band saw 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.frontrangewoodturners.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

Some of us have had the opportunity to watch a demonstration or two by Mark Baker of the U.K. Mark has travelled over the Atlantic many times during the past 20 plus years to demonstrate at major symposiums in the U.S. He has authored 7 books that are in the FRW Library and for the past 24 years has either been a contributor or editor for the magazine Woodturning of which FRW currently maintains a subscription. Mark was an accomplished woodworker who really enjoys sharing life experiences with audiences around the globe. It was therefore a complete surprise when the June 2020 edition of Woodturning arrived and to read his usual leader page “I have been battling cancer for over 19 months now, and sadly all of the treatments I Have received have failed and I have been given a terminal diagnosis.” Mark is planning to spend the time that he has left with his family. He can be reached at markb@thegmcgroup.com if you desire to send him a greeting.

A few acquisitions have been recently made on behalf of your club library although arrival from any international point of origin is painfully slow. A complete list of items acquired since our March meeting will be provided in the newsletter that immediately precedes our next in-person meeting (whenever that takes place). If you come across a book or video that you feel warrants consideration for our purchase kindly e-mail the FRW Librarian so that follow-up investigation and review might take place.

>Mentoring Program – Marty Christensen

Mentoring meetings are temporarily suspended until further notice.

>Youth Mentoring Program – Don Prorak

No plans for now.

>Ladies of the Lathe – Robyn Herman

Our next meeting is postponed until later. No dates set yet.

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

All shop tours are cancelled for now. A video tour is in the works.

>Newsletter – Jim Proud

Comments and articles for the monthly newsletter should be emailed to the editor at cavaleon1956@gmail.com. Submissions should arrive a couple of days before the date for the monthly meeting, whether we are having it together, or having it by Zoom or otherwise. As you know we always had our meetings on the first Tuesday of each month. So get anything for the newsletter by the weekend before.

The Newsletter Editor is looking for someone to take over at the end of the year. If you are interested, please contact Jim at cavaleon1956@gmail.com

>**Pete Holtus Educational Opportunity Grant – Bob Franklin**

The following 6 club members were awarded an opportunity grant for 2020. Each one will attend a class as indicated and will share with the club what he or she learned. Congratulations to each one.

Jay Miller – was going to attend a Keith Gotchall class, but the class has been cancelled and has not as yet been rescheduled.	Tim Capraro – Tim’s class at the Ellsworth School of Woodturning was cancelled and he is waiting for the fall to attend a class.
Jim Sledz and Mike Skiba were to attend a Trent Bosch class which has now been postponed until September of this year. They are hopeful it will be offered then and not postponed again.	
Rick Flemming and Patrick Crumpton were to attend the Southwest Association of Woodturners Symposium but it has been cancelled and they will attend next year.	

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.

>**Beads of Courage**

Don’t forget that **Rick Fleming** and **Ed Cypher** collect bowls for the Beads of Courage project. During this time of no meetings you may contact Rick or Ed about taking a *Beads of Courage* bowl over to either of them.



Jim Proud has a few of these Beads of Courage buttons which you can incorporate into your bowl lid and he will send you one free if you request it.

>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)

July Gallery



A sculptural element made from surplus discarded pulleys from donated Schact's Woods. – **Al Murphy**



Al Murphy also has a new 15 inch helical head jointer with digital read-out.



A beautiful Honey Locust bowl from **Sonny Jones**.



Power carving a shop stool seat from 3 inch thick maple hunk. Mahogany butterfly inlays. – **Al Murphy**



12.5" tall by 7.5" d. Claro Walnut, Holly, chestnut oak burl and floating bottom of Paduk. The stone is a Bruneau Jasper Cab. A friend of my wife needed a tall vase for her newly remodeled living room. Here it is. – **Gordon Dalby**



I met a wonderful furniture maker in Vermont on vacation last fall. He sold me some wonderful figured hardwoods. I turned this square bowl from some of that stock. – **Rick Cantwell**



Leanne Stembler - Skull pen used a stabilized Maple burl from Bob Franklin.



Leanne Stembler - Music pen used a resin blank from Ed Cypher.



From Don Prorak



Another from Don Prorak



Wood Box by Curt Vogt

I think back to about a year after I started turning and attended a box making demo by Pete Holtus. He was a very skilled and generous turner who willingly shared his talent with others. Anyway, after the demo I went and looked at the wonderful box he had made of what he called "Post Oak" from Texas. I thought it looked awesome. Who knew I would eventually be surrounded by it here in the Hill Country of Texas!



Maple burl body with Post Oak tenon insert from a large tree on the ranch that fell in a storm a few years ago. The insert on the top is dyed and stabilized mystery wood that fell out of the eBay Tree. 2 5/8" tall



Here are some rolling pins from Steve Claycomb.





Here is a picture of a 14" black walnut platter that I just finished. Also, here is a picture of my grandkids who are doing a collaboration with me on some of the wood Dave Hawley brought in. I draw and wood burn, and then the grandkids will color them in and give them away as gifts to their parents or friends. – **Robyn Herman**



The 2 bowls on the left with mirror image spirals are made with Sapele, Walnut and Maple; each contains 180 segments. The 2 bowls on the right with a southwestern design are made with Sapele, Walnut and Alder; each contains 198 segments. When finishing the bottom of these bowls, you can see the Jumbo Chuck I use from One-Way; this can handle a bowl up to 15.5 inches in diameter. – **Larry Hughes**



Here are my two pictures. One is a natural edge bowl made from an ash tree in my front yard that died. I'm not sure what type of wood the other bowl is made from - maybe Walnut? – **Adam Shoning**



Two Honey Locust bowls from **Al Murphy**.



(Above) Natural edge Walnut bowl from a local tree that was cut about 7 years ago. (Right) New Handwheel for my lathe. Turned from local Aspen with segmented medallion of Walnut and Cherry.-
Bob Britt.



Walnut bowls from my stock pile of blanks. - **Ron Kaemingk**



Decorated chair for old town Louisville. Used a full repertoire to texture: countersink for polka dots, drill bit for holes, v tool to make lines, Rotary grinder to do arms & seat slats, engraver for wiggly lines. Finish: milk paint mixed with acrylics to tint, General exterior satin finish. – **Merryl Saylan**



Found on the Moon, Ramey Homestead black walnut, pink ivory and aluminum. – **Chuck Kubin**



Here is a segmented clock I made as a donation for the fire victims of the wild fire that raged thru Colorado Springs a few years ago. – **Gordon Dalby**



This is what Brad and I have been working on for the last 6 months and it is finally finished! This is the reason you should get your spouse to learn to turn, so you can build “them” a shop! – **Robyn Herman**

A special story from Keith Motzner

Earlier this month, my daughter’s Sister-in-law, Mandy, a mother of three and a Police Officer from Texas was in Denver for her little brother’s wedding. While staying overnight at my daughter’s home, Mandy was appreciating a bowl that I had made for my daughter. Mandy inquired if I had any for sale, so my daughter called me to ask. I told her no, but Mandy could come over to my shop and pick out one of my rough blanks and I would finish it for her and ship it to her as a thank you for her service as a Police Officer. Mandy visited my shop later that day and choose a rough blank. Turned out that she was not leaving for Austin for a few more days, so I asked her if she would like to come back to my shop in a day or two and finish the bowl with me, and she could take it home with her. She was excited to work with me on her new bowl, so the date was set. Mandy, her father and her three children (two boys and a girl) arrived at my shop the following Tuesday morning. Mandy is a very quick learner and is the DIY’er at home. Also, her family was very interested to see the whole process of making a salad bowl. We had a wonderful time together. The kids also had a great time and now they all want daddy to buy them a lathe for Christmas. I got blessed with this opportunity to show my appreciation for Mandy, who sacrifices daily to serve her community in Austin. Mandy is one of my heroes.

I cannot encourage our members enough to seek out one of your heroes (a Police officer, Fireman, medical provider, teacher, etc.) and bless them with your skills. It is well worth the effort and you might get blessed more than your recipient hero. During this challenging season that we are all enduring, it is our front line public servants that are bearing the brunt of the unrest in their community. They need our prayers and all the thanks and encouragement we can give them. – **Keith Motzner**

