



FRONT RANGE WOODTURNERS

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Announcements

A special message from our Club President, Ed “Sonny” Jones – “Hello Front Range Woodturners!”

It does not appear that Covid-19 is going to allow normality anytime soon. That said, we must do what we can to remain a viable organization. While much of our club’s involvement is on hold, there are a few issues that will require attention in 2021:

- Election of new Officers and Chair positions
 - If you have given thought to running for a position, please email me with your intent before the October meeting.
 - If you currently hold an office or chair position, please consider remaining in that role for another year.
 - We will have an election during our November zoom meeting.
 - Election results will be announced in December at the Zoom Holiday party.
- Zoom Holiday party will be on Friday, December 11, 2020 at 7:00 PM which will include:
 - Auction.
 - Skip and Christine Dickensheet of Dickensheet and Associates Auctions will host an online auction. Details coming soon.
 - Please consider donating to the auction!
 - Ornament exchange
 - Donate an ornament and receive an ornament made by a fellow club member.
 - Instructions will be forthcoming in the November newsletter, but please plan on having ornaments ready by Thanksgiving.
 - Door Prizes
 - Every club member attending the online zoom holiday party is eligible to win one (per person) of our many exciting door prizes.
 - Presentations
 - Announcement of new (or remaining) officers and chair positions.
 - Induction into the FRW Hall of Fame.
 - Presentation of 2020 John W. Perkins Most Valued Member award.
 - Presentation of 2020 FRW Lifetime Member Award.

Until then, stay safe and keep turning. Remember to take photos of your work and continue to send pictures to **Jim Proud** and **Pat Scott** to include in all future newsletters, and for the Show and Tell portion of all future zoom meetings. Be sure to log in to our October 6th zoom meeting and the zoom board meeting on October 24, 2020 at 9:00 AM.”

Zoom Demo – October 6, Tuesday

Our demonstrator for the October meeting is FRW member and nationally known woodturner **Cindy Drozda**

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

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.

Name	Area of Expertise	Mentor Location	Contact
Bob Franklin	General and Stabilizing	Thornton	Btheb66@gmail.com
Dave Hawley	Any level but enjoy most getting folks started safely	Boulder	Dbh001@gmail.com
Dennis Fanning	General	Arvada	dcfanning@aol.com
Don Prorak	Beginner and Youth	Brighton	donprorak@comcast.net
Ed Sonny Jones	General, segmenting	Central Park	edsonnyjones333@gmail.com
Henry Williams	General, spindles, bowls	Southwest Denver (US 285 Corridor)	williamshenrya@gmail.com
Jay Miller	General	Littleton	jaymiller9637@comcast.net

Keith Motzner	Firewood into Art, Wood prep	Centennial	kmotzner@me.com
Larry Abrams	General	At Rockler store	laabrams.51@me.com
Les Stern	General	Centennial	sternsclass@hotmail.com
Marty Christensen	General	Hudson	mecturning@gmail.com
Mike Skiba	General	Westminster	mrpsmj@gmail.com
Phil Houck	General, spindles	Denver Southwest	houckpc@comcast.net
Roger Holmes	Beginner	Louisville	roger_holmes@comcast.net
Scott Thomsen	Hand Threading, Segmented Bowls	Centennial	thomsen-s@comcast.net

If you would like to be added to this mentor list notify the newsletter editor at cavaleon1956@gmail.com

Club Information

>Membership – Mike Mullen

There was no change in our membership numbers from last month.

Co-club Members	11
Family Members	34
Individual Members	133
Lifetime Members	11
Family Roster	49
Student Members	2
Total Membership	240

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 in announced later.

<p>Industrial Abrasives Starbond Glue Wood Carvers Supply Jay Miller 9637 W. Vandeventor Dr. Littleton, CO 80128 (303) 945-4306</p>	<p>Craft supplies Spence Industries Band Saw Blades Ted Mellin 9043 W. Coco Drive Littleton, CO 80128</p>
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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

Librarian's Corner will be on vacation for the October issue.

>Mentoring Program – Marty Christensen

Mentoring meetings are temporarily suspended until further notice.

>Youth Mentoring Program – Don Prorak

This program is still on hold due to COVID-19. We will resume at the earliest safe opportunity.

>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.

>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.

Special Article

New Mexico Woodturners – High Desert Turning: Vol 21, Issue 10 October 3, 2020

How many of you caught the Woodturners Worldwide Virtual Symposium the last weekend in September? Even though I worked that weekend I caught a bit of it with the reassurance that each demo was recorded and can be watched over and over through most of October (30 days from 9/26/2020). The gentleman pictured below is **Pat Scott**, a member, and former president, of the **Front Range Woodturners** in Colorado. I first met Pat through the northern Colorado club's YouTube channel. Pat's demo started playing after I watched our mutual member, Doug Schneider, demonstrate his Basket Illusion turning. I was immediately caught by Pat's personable and positive attitude as he demoed for his club members. Pat was featured 3 times at the Worldwide Woodturners event. I have watched his 2 full-length demos all the way through now and began re-watching them with more focused attention and a note pad. Fortunately, I can pause it for my writing pace or rewind it to review a step that's needing clarification. Pat is a marvelous demonstrator and, in my view, would be a great live demonstrator here in New Mexico when the time is right. You can see more of Pat's work on Instagram as [@pat_cokitchen](#) or on Facebook as Colorado Kitchen Heirlooms. You'll enjoy looks at his utilitarian bowls, plates, platters, cutting boards and peppermills.



>**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.



>**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)

September Gallery

(If you have one or more photos you would like to share with the club in the newsletter, send them to cavaleon1956@gmail.com. Include a little description too. Send them anytime.)



Keith Motzner at **Jim Proud's** home helping with cutting up some pieces for bowls.



"I have been working on making better bottoms for my segmented bowls. Here are four with a star bottom." –**Sonny Jones**



Here's a couple of pics of a recently made box. I think it might be cottonwood. – **Kim Komitor.**



Crush Grind Peppermill - The body is Figured Maple framed with bands of Purpleheart. The neck is Walnut. This was loosely patterned after the "Classic Vinegar Bottle Peppermill" described in Chris West's book on pepper mills. I have several more in progress utilizing various combinations of wood. – **Bob Britt**



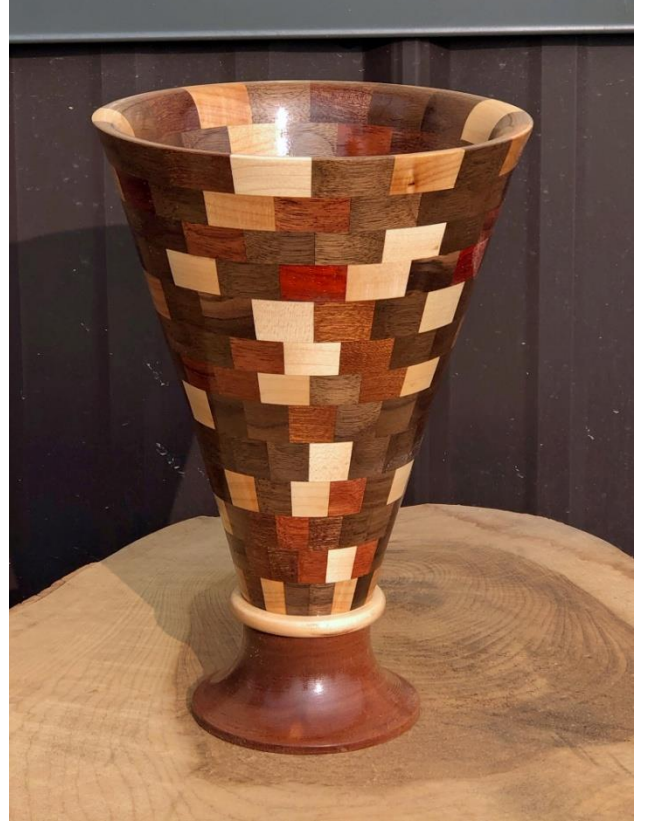
Here's a photo of my finished shop stool. Seat is live edge hard maple. Legs & stretchers are wormy soft maple. I learned a lot building it. **Al Murphy**



"I have been playing around with ornaments with captured rings." – **Robyn Herman**



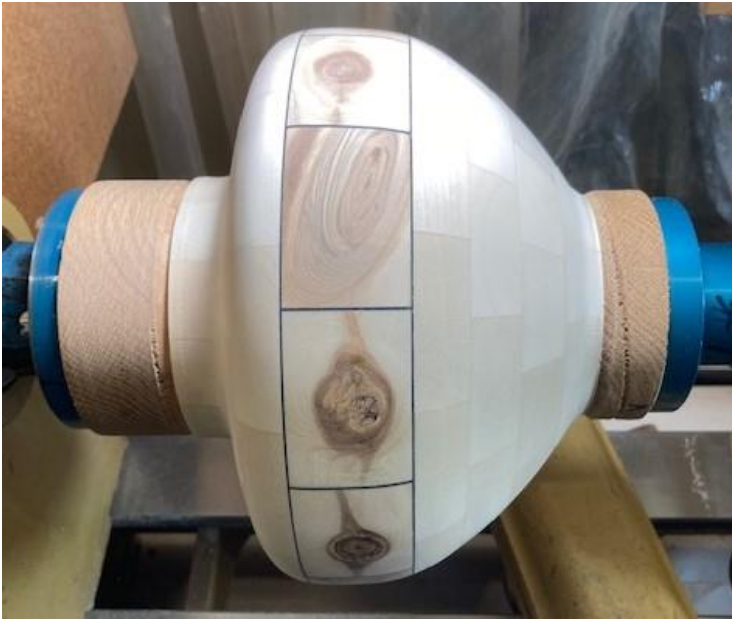
Some 9" and 10" vases made from mixed hardwoods, and one from a rare African Walnut. – Larry Hughes





Here are four pictures of a bowl with a rim made from a tree grown in Lakewood. This month's challenge project was turning two bowls from a large branch from an apple tree grown in Centennial. One had a little oopsie so it turned a bit smaller. – **Mike Mullen**





Gordon Dalby – left, above and left below.



A little knotty Aspen in the lathe. – **Gordon Dalby**



Dale Quakenbush – above and below.



I got a new smaller Vicmarc chuck so am playing with smaller turnings lately. – **Dale Quakenbush**



I am not very good at taking photos of the work that I am doing so have not sent any pictures. But, I have recently been playing around with woodburning and here are a few of the bowls that have been completed. Cherry and Aspen. I tried using a pattern and graphite paper but that turned into a mess. Then I tried pencil drawing and then burn over the pencil but I could not erase the lead from the bowls. Finally I just decided to free-hand them and they came out better. The fun of learning to turn!. – **Jim Sledz**



Two new experiments. A glue up of walnut and maple. It was almost a pure white maple until I put an old sealer on it and discolored the inlay. Fun to see the design take shape. Osage Orange – learning you must have sharp tools! Working on the top next – to be continued.

Suzanne Thompson



Three repaired bowls – **Pat Scott**



Seven pieces for the Wonderful Walnut exhibition in December. Historic Ramey Homestead walnut, driftwood, pink ivory, turquoise, chrome, apple, holly, linden, bristlecone pine, gold leaf, gold filligree, paint; centered and offset turning and wings, "lost wood" technique, pierced through insert, - **Chuck Kubin**

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Resin and manzanita root bowl and a resin table - -**Stephen Pegler (Steve the Onion)**

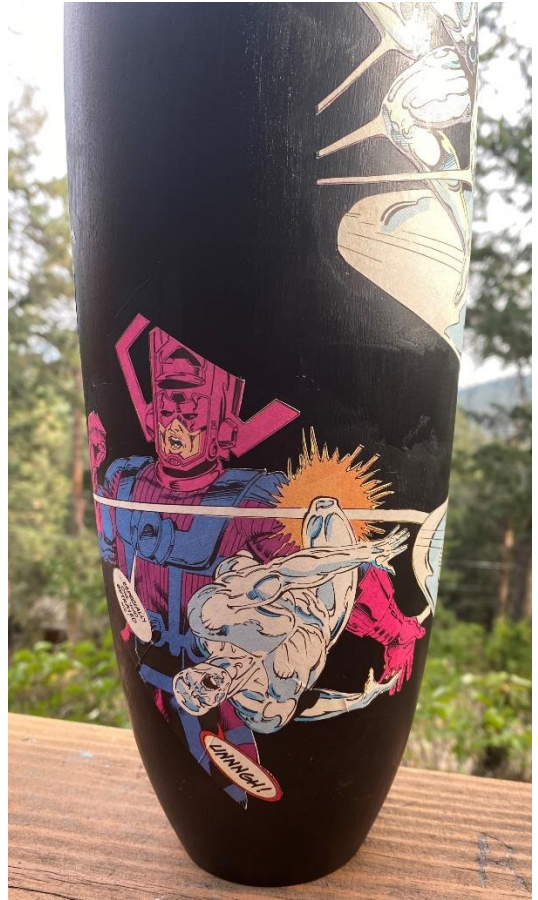


The big (finished) apple. – **Steve the Onion**



(If anyone wants a Beads of Courage button for your box, contact **Jim Proud** for a free one. I have 5 or 6 left.)

My first Beads of Courage box. Walnut, Purpleheart,. 6x6x6 244 pieces total. – **Richard Aldrich**



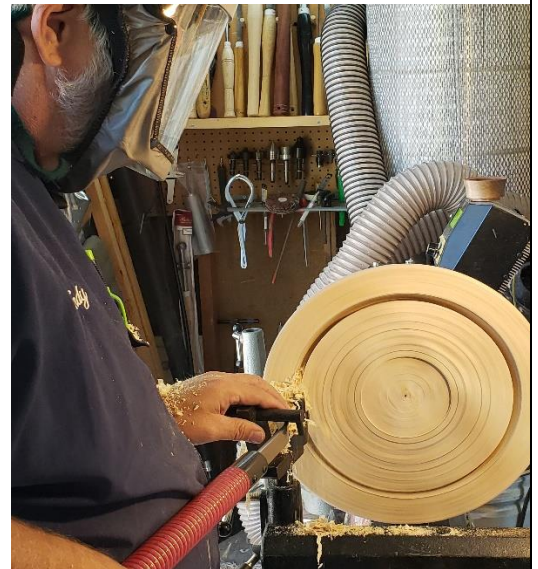
My latest work is a large Maple vessel 17" x 5" that I painted and adhered some comic book panels to. - **Roper**



The baskets of illusion work has been done during the COVID and the bowls in a board have been my most recent work trying to get them perfected, still works in progress! – **Scott DeWeese**



Pat Scott went over to **Andy Boudreau's** house recently to give him some pointers on using his new McNaughton coring system. Fellow members **Scott DeWeese** and **Dave Woodlee** were also there. Below are three pictures of a 15" Silver Maple bowl that Andy cored.





Here are 2 pictures of a platter I made out of the sink cut out of a butcher block kitchen counter.- **Jeff Turner**



Three pieces made for December's Wonderful Walnut exhibition. Left to right above: St. Vrain Creek Runs Through It; Nest; Clear Creek, 1950 – **Chuck Kubin**

Classified Ads

Any member may submit an ad to be published in the newsletter. It will be kept for 3 months or until sold.

Any of my FRW friends interested in some “old iron”? This Craftsman cabinet saw is from the early ‘50s, and belonged to my grandfather, then my father, so I’d like it to find a good home. I upgraded it with a Vega fence, mobile base etc. (I still have the original parts.) All in good working order. Contact me for specs, etc. Price negotiable. **Don Prorak**. Email: DonProrak@comcast.net, Phone: 303-638-6631.

