



FRONT RANGE WOODTURNERS

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News

Demonstrating at our next meeting, May 3, will be Derek Weidman who has dedicated the last seven years to exploring lathe-based sculpture. His approach involves multi-axis turning as the foundation of his work. By using the unique shaping processes of turning Derek has created a descriptive visual language that only the lathe can speak. This carving process creates novel representations of a wide range of subjects, from those based on human anatomy to various animal forms. Derek works from a basic question, “What would this look like if rendered through the lens of a wood lathe?” and even with the most rigorous naturalism, an honest abstraction takes place, and for each new subject that question gets answered. So from human heads to rhinos, mandrills to birds, each idea being captured in a way it has not been expressed before. Visit Derek’s webpage at: <http://weidmanwoodsculpture.com/>



Some of Derek Weidman’s lathe-based sculptures

Monthly meeting times: Social Hour is 5:30-6:15. Club Business, Gallery, and Wood Raffle begins at 6:15. The evening’s demonstration follows the break and ends on or before 9:00 pm.

Announcements

REMINDER - LAST CALL - Covered bowls for "Beads of Courage" will be due at our May meeting. Thanks to all who will have contributed to this project.

Clean-up Crew

Many thanks to **Larry Long**, **Gene Wentworth** and **Don McDowell** for cleaning up after the April meeting.

Even though you are not officially signed up to help clean up after the meeting, anyone can jump right in and lend a hand. Volunteers are always welcome.

Ladies of the Lathe

We enthusiastically welcome **Robyn Herman** as the new chairperson for Ladies of the Lathe. Robyn says that as she is not an advanced woodturner yet, she welcomes all the help she can get from the club as she lines up demos and mentoring classes to promote more women getting into turning. She may be calling on you or you can contact her and offer your help.

Rocky Mountain Woodturning Symposium – September 16-18, 2016

Featured demonstrators include David Ellsworth, Nick Cook, Jay Shepard, Liam O’Neill, Les Brandt and Keith Gotschall. Visit the webpage at www.rmwoodturningsymposium.com/

Ornamental Turners International Symposium – September 22-25, 2016

The OTI Symposium meets every two years in different cities. This year will be in Denver. Visit their home page at www.ornamentaltturners.org. For more information talk to **Richard Kuivila** who is on the OTI host team.

Turning Challenge

The turning challenge for May is to do any kind of box.

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. Everyone has to start as a novice.

Club Info

Membership – Mike Mullen

Thank you to the 126 members who have already renewed their FRW membership dues for 2016. For you procrastinators out there, the membership year ends February 29, 2016. After this date the expired membership badges will be pulled and the privileges of membership will be suspended.

Here are a few of the benefits of being an FRW Member:

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) 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 club for half price.

Group Purchases and Individual Catalog Orders – Roger Holmes

Please see the FRW website (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**. 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 and Woodcarvers Supply will be taken at the monthly meetings in January, April, July and October.

Group Buy Contact Information:

Roger Holmes – 1844 W. Plum Cir., Louisville, CO 80027 - 303-665-8041 - roger_holmes@comcast.net

Del Fussell – 11455 N. Antelope Ln., Parker, CO 80138 - 303-805-2663 - fussell6@comcast.net

Ted Mellin – 9043 W Coco Drive, Littleton, CO 80128 – 303-973-8216 - woodturnerted@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.

Be sure to check with **Roger Holmes** and **Del Fussell** if you have made any group buy orders.

Ladies of the Lathe – Robyn Herman

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. Please contact Robyn for dates and times.

Librarian's Corner – Bob Britt

Don't Forget – You can access the full FRW Library Inventory through our website. Take a few minutes to think about what you are interested in learning about OR just peruse the PDF file and note any resources that tickle your interest. Then you can request those items before the meeting by utilizing the Library Waitlist. You

will have more time to enjoy the instant gallery or just socializing while increasing the chance of getting what you want.

Wait List requests should be submitted not later than 7:00 p.m. on the day prior to the meeting.

Be respectful of other members by returning library items at or prior to the next meeting. The “red” drop box is available during normal Rockler store hours.

Shop Tours – Ken Rollins

On Saturday, March 26 the shop tour was held at **Al Murphy’s** home in Denver. Here are a couple of photos.



The next shop tour will be at **Charlie Hull’s** near Hudson on Saturday, April 30th. Photos are planned for the next newsletter. Contact Charlie for directions.

Upcoming tours:

May **Les Stern**

June **Don Prorak**

July **Bear and Alisa Limvere**

August **Gene Wentworth**

Please consider hosting an FRW tour or event. Sign up to host a shop tour by contacting **Ken Rollins**.

Mentoring Program – Marty Christensen

The mentoring program is well under way. **Marty Christensen** will be hosting mentoring sessions the Monday following our regular monthly meetings at Rocklers. We meet in the basement of Rockler from 5 to 7pm.

Newsletter – Jim Proud

Comments and articles for the monthly newsletter should be emailed to the editor at cavaleon1956@gmail.com. Submissions should arrive at least one week before the next meeting.

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

Perpetual Turning Winner at the April meeting was not recorded.

May Turning Challenge: Any kind of a box.

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.

Instant Gallery



Steve Claycomb – Various woods



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Steve Maikell - Ash



Lavonne Kaiser - Gum



Tim Capraro - Walnut



Pat Scott – Silver Maple,
Bloodwood



Pat Scott – Black Walnut



Bill McCraw – Russian Olive



Bear & Alisa Limvere – Various woods



Vinnie Luciani – Walnut, Ebony



Lavonne Kaiser – Bunny Food



Tim Capraro - Walnut



Vinnie Luciani - Ash



Pat Hannon – Cherry, Walnut



Don Prorak – Poplar, Walnut

Miscellaneous

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.

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.

Turning Challenge Rules

Voting – Please vote once for each experience class. Votes are tallied after the break and the winners announced.

You don't have to compete in the Turning Challenge, but it can be fun. Remember that you can bring other types of turnings for the Show and Tell, too.

Here are the rules for the Turning Challenge.

Category – Typically, each month's challenge is the topic from the previous month's demonstration, unless otherwise indicated in the newsletter.

Competing – Please fill out a Show and Tell form for your competition piece and be sure to mark whether you think you are a Beginner, Intermediate, or Advanced turner. ***When you fill out the form for your piece, be sure to write legibly so the picture we take can be easily identified for this newsletter.***

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 out into the Rockler store.

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

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: You should receive the newsletter from this email address cavaleon1956@gmail.com
- Confirm with Jim (newsletter editor) or Mike (membership chairman) that your e-mail address is correct.

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.

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.

FOR SALE: Keith Motzner has a nice 14" wood cutting bandsaw for sale. You can see it on Craig's List here:

<http://denver.craigslist.org/tls/5477183349.html>

FOR SALE: Oneway Outboard turning attachment. Includes rails, banjo, and toolrest. New-\$1,240 + freight. Like new-\$950. Call Gary Zeff, (303) 444-1861. Visit Gary's webpage at www.sculpturalwoodturning.com