



# FRONT RANGE WOODTURNERS

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## Upcoming Events

### Monthly Meetings

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.

## Turning Challenge

The turning challenge for February will be a handled cup or bowl. Everyone is encouraged to bring in a turned piece to share in the Instant Gallery regardless of the turning challenge for that month.

The January winners were:

Beginner: Larry Long, Maple and Walnut Segmented Bowl

Intermediate: Kim Komitor, Box elder burl, walnut, ebony, and chrysocolla bead lidded vessel

Advanced: Terence Rice, Pierced maple bowl

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 start as a novice.

## Announcements

### Beads of Courage Lidded Bowls and Boxes

Our October demonstrator Dale Bonertz invited us to participate in Beads of Courage, a program that supports children who have serious illnesses. Woodturners donate lidded bowls or boxes, which are receptacles for the beads children acquire as they go through stages of treatment. Dale picked up approximately 30 lidded bowls at the January meeting. He'll be back at the March 2015 regular meeting for our final donations. Please be sure to bring your lidded bowl donation to either the February or March meeting.

Guidelines:

- In order to sufficiently hold beads, turned boxes need to be no smaller than 6" (15cm) in diameter. Larger is okay.
- If possible, engrave or burn Beads of Courage on the lid.
- Make sure lids are easily removable.
- Finials or knobs should be easy for a small child to grasp and not too elaborate or pointed.
- Sign your name or write American Association of Woodturners on the bottom.

## News

### Raffle of Rockler-Donated Dust Collector

Rockler has donated a new, unopened, Delta 50-850 dust collector (1.5 hp 1200 maximum cfm, 115v). We will be holding a special raffle for this dust collector at the April regular meeting. All ticket sale proceeds will go into the Pete Holtus Educational Opportunity Grant (PHEOG) fund.



# FRONT RANGE WOODTURNERS

## Club Info

### Membership

Chair: Alisa Limvere

It's that time of year. Annual dues are due again. 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 exact amounts.

You can also mail a check or money order (no cash, please) for your dues to the following address:

Front Range WoodTurners  
P.O. Box 714  
Franktown, CO 80116

Please include the following information with your dues:

Name; Spouse Name (if signing on as Couple); Street; City; State; Zip; Home Telephone; Work Telephone; Email; Website.

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
- Discounts in 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.

Important - If your dues are not paid by mid-February, your badge will be pulled before the March meeting and you will no longer receive our newsletter (unless you are a recent guest who is still in the 2-month trial period). Also, Membership will be sending out the member roster with the March or April newsletter, so if you want to receive a roster or be in it, please be sure to pay your dues by mid-February.

### Shop Tours

Chair: Doug Hearn

#### February Shop Tour

February 7th, from 10am to noon  
Collector's Specialty Woods  
4355 Monaco Street, Unit A  
Denver, CO 80216  
303.355.0302

Collector's Specialty Woods carries a hand-selected inventory of both domestic and exotic hardwoods including natural edge slabs, figured hardwoods and burls, harvested using sustainable forestry practices.

Kent Mace, the owner, has said that he would like to stock turning blanks in popular sizes, so come prepared to give him your input on favorite size turning blanks.

Collector's Specialty Woods is located at 4355 Monaco Street, Unit A, Denver, CO 80216, approximately 1 block south of I-70 (just north of the railroad tracks).

Please contact **Doug Hearn** if you would be interested in hosting a shop tour of your shop. You would not need any formal presentation or demonstration unless you would like to. Most members would just like to see how you organize your shop, store equipment and supplies. See any jigs or special tools you've made. See some of your turnings and just shoot the breeze in general. It's really kind of

fun. You would be surprised to know how much new members appreciate just talking woodturning and getting to know each other. Try it - you will enjoy it and so will those who come.

### Group Purchases and Individual Catalog Orders

Chair: Roger Holmes

Please see the FRW website 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.

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## *Librarian's Corner*

Librarian: Bob Britt

You might have noticed over the past 12 months or so that the number of woodturning related videos being produced has subsided from prior levels to a mere trickle. In addition those that are released seem to be distributed through fewer outlets and in some cases are only available from the crafter's website. As such your library committee encourages your suggestions. If you become aware of a video or book that might be of interest to FRW Members let us know of your suggestions and we will consider and follow-up on your information. A brief email or just stop by the library area on meeting night prior to the demonstration and give one of us some brief information about the item you are recommending. That is all that we need.

Recently we have added the following videos:

HAR-04A- Ashley Harwood – Turning ornaments from Sea Urchins

LUC-02A – Glenn Lucas – Sharpening Techniques using most of the popular jigs

RAF- 19B- Richard Raffan – Turning Toys – This pairs with the previously released book

ROS-03B- Bob Rosand – Turning projects from scraps #2

New items are flagged in the leftmost column of the library file on the FRW Website. Check it out and note the new books and magazines in addition to the videos. A considerable number of new resources have been added in the past several months.

## *Ladies of the Lathe*

Chair: Alisa Limvere

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.

Classes are scheduled for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month, starting February 21, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, in the basement of Rockler Woodworking. These classes are provided to expand the knowledge and skills for female woodturners, from complete novices to intermediate to eventually advanced skills. The classes will be structured with the first 2-3 hrs introducing a skill, technique, or basic knowledge, with the rest of the day practicing that skill with a project. Please feel free to submit requests or ideas for classes. Below are the proposed class schedules for the next few months, but they may be subject to change based on submitted requests/suggestions:

**February 21** – Introduction: Meet the Lathe, Chucks, Cutting Tool Types, Safety, Tool Sharpening, and Roughing Out; Project: Turning a Tapered Candlestick or French Rolling Pin

**March 21** – Introduction: Spindle Turning, Spindle Gouges, Beads and Coves; Project: Turning a Detailed Candlestick, Ornament, or Spatula

**April 18** – Introduction: Bowl Turning, Faceplates, Bowl Gouges; Project: Turning a Bowl

**May** (day TBD) – Introduction: Scrapers, Wood Grain; Project: Turning a Lidded Box or Scoop

Space will be limited to a maximum of 5-7 attendees, so please be sure to reserve a spot. Materials and equipment will be provided.

Turning is a finesse skill, so massive muscles are not required. We need more lady turners to make shavings. Why should the guys have all the fun?

## *Mentoring Program*

Chair: Marty Christensen

A reminder that if you have a topic for mentoring please let our chair know. At this point in time mentoring is on a request basis due to the poor response to previously scheduled meetings.

## *Newsletter*

Editor: Jim Proud

Comments and articles for the monthly newsletter should be emailed to the editor at [jl Proud@yahoo.com](mailto:jl Proud@yahoo.com). Please put FRW Newsletter in the subject line. Submissions must arrive by the 2nd Tuesday before the next meeting which will help get the newsletter out in a timely manner.

## *PHEOG*

**Pete Holtus Educational Opportunity Grant – ASK AND YOU MIGHT RECEIVE**

**Applications for a Pete Holtus EOG are due by February 15, 2015.**

**Applications must be emailed to Suzanne Thompson (EOG chair)**

[ktst2@comcast.net](mailto:ktst2@comcast.net). Application forms and Rules and Guidelines are available on the FRW website. Please read and follow them.

Be creative! Be specific! The EOG money is created by your year-long contributions. We want to give it back to you and enrich the club. The committee is looking for grant opportunities that will help you become a better turner and in turn, help FRW become a better club. We want lots of great applications so we can spend our/your money wisely.

**Think Out Side The Box! How will what you do with your grant help you help someone else?**

Your PHEOG Committee consists of Suzanne Thompson, Kim Kormitor, John Montague, Vinny Luciani, and Camille Wall.

## *Web Site*

Chair: Doug Hill

[www.fronrangewoodturners.org](http://www.fronrangewoodturners.org)

## *Wood Raffle*

Chair: Lavonne Kaiser

Bring in a piece or two of wood you have to donate to the club for the wood raffle each month. The money supports the overall activities of the club.

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## *Perpetual Turning Project*

The concept is for 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 member doesn't want to make a turning, he/she can choose just the wood, and the next winner can take the turning.

## *Youth Mentoring*

Chair: Doug Hill

January's Youth Mentoring had some returning Youth Turners and one first time participant. We all had fun turning a handle for a 4-in-1 screwdriver and some had time to turn a car from a 2x4. One student worked on a school project (turning the sides of a Harp frame). We still have room for a few more students. Next meeting Feb. 14. For information and RSVP contact Doug Hill at YouthChair@FrontRangeWoodturners.org



## *Instant Gallery*

No pictures are available for this issue.

## *Demonstration*

Chair: Ron Ainge

On Tuesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, Jeff Farris from **Robert Sorby Turning Tools** will demonstrate from 10am until 4pm and in the evening at the club meeting. He will be addressing questions as they come up. People can come whenever

they can, stay as long as they like, without feeling obligated to sit through a formal class session. There will be a 20% discount on Sorby tools, and 10% off on the ProEdge Plus Sharpening System. If someone is struggling with sharpening, they can bring a tool and Jeff will show how to sharpen it with the Sorby system.

## *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](http://www.woodturner.org).

### *Featured Providers*

**Rocklers** provides a 10% discount for many items for club members. Rockler keeps the cash register open until the end of the meeting break. Try to do your shopping before the end of the break, so that they can get out quickly after the end of the meeting.

**Craft Supplies** offers monthly deals with special discount codes that expire monthly. Discounts and codes will be announced at each FRW meeting.

### *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*

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.

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.

### *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 may receive the newsletter from any of these [addresses: \[jlproud@yahoo.com\]\(mailto:jlproud@yahoo.com\)](mailto:jlproud@yahoo.com) or [Cavaleon1956@gmail.com](mailto:Cavaleon1956@gmail.com)

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- Confirm with Jim (newsletter editor) or Alisa (membership chairman) that your e-mail address is correct.

## ***AAW Scam Warning***

The following was received from AAW:

In the past, one or more people have received telephone calls to join the AAW or to subscribe to the AW Journal (magazine). Here are the facts:

The AAW does not do any telemarketing or phone soliciting for membership or magazine subscriptions.

The AAW does not endorse any agents to solicit AAW membership or magazine subscriptions.

Any such telephone call you receive to this effect is a form of "phishing," where an unscrupulous person is trying to get your credit card or other personal information for their illegal usage. You should not give out your credit card number or personal information as a general policy unless you initiate the phone call to a known business.

## ***Rockler***

Patronizing their store is the best "thank you" we can give Rockler for

their generosity in letting us use their facilities for our ever-growing 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 these poor guys can start shutting down and go home.

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 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.

Ad Policy – All ads that are older than 3 months will be deleted, unless you contact the newsletter editor.

For Sale – No items have been submitted as of this issue.

To submit a classified ad please email to: [jlproud@yahoo.com](mailto:jlproud@yahoo.com). In the subject line put: FRW Classified Ad

## ***General Meeting Information***

Normal meetings are the first Tuesday of every month, unless otherwise rescheduled. Social Hour is 5:30-6:15, Club Business, Gallery, and Wood Raffle begins at 6:15.

Our meeting place is at Rockler Woodworking & Hardware, 2553 So. Colorado Blvd. #108, Denver (west side of Colorado Blvd. opposite the mall).

